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Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to a new term as we welcome in the year 2025! We hope you had a wonderful time over Christmas, and have some lovely memories of this special time. This is our initial newsletter for the term. We will notify you as soon as any new events are added to our diary, or if there is further information to share. Do check your child's book bag regularly for new letters, and look out for new posts on Dojo. We are pleased to share that we will be getting a new school website this term, and will provide more information soon.

REMAINING TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25

| | School closes for children pm | School reopens am |
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| Spring Half Term | Thursday 13 th February 2025 | Monday 24 th February 2025 |
| Easter Holiday | Friday 28 th March 2025 | Monday 14 th April 2025 |
| Summer Half Term | Friday 23 rd May 2025 | Monday 2 nd June 2025 |
| Summer Holiday | Monday 21st July 2025 | |

^{*}Please note: School will be closed for 3 more INSET days over the year. They are:

Friday 14th February 2025 Tuesday 22nd July 2025 Wednesday 23rd July 2025

LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD

We are looking to add a member to our Local School Board. We are keen to gain a parent/carer who can contribute to school life and in particular in further developing links within the local community. If you feel that you are interested in this role, please email your expression of interest to enquiries@tp.dsat.education. We will then be able to provide you with further information on what the role entails. We will ask that there is a commitment to attending our Local School Board meetings which happen every term.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

We are running a range of after school clubs this term. Sheffield United after school clubs start on Monday 13th January. Many of our after school boosters begin week 2. A letter for our other enrichment after school clubs will be sent out this week.

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

The class teachers will be organising some exciting educational visits this term, to support our class topics and children's learning. As these are arranged, the class teachers will send out more specific information. This term:

Reception (Oak and Ash) – Local visit (St Helen's church)
KS1 (Elm, Hazel and Willow) – To be confirmed
LKS2 – Local visit (St Helen's church)
UKS2 – Local visit (St Helen's church)

WINTER WEATHER PREPARATIONS

Our key objective during severe weather conditions is to open school on a site that is safe and adequately staffed. When we experience ice or snow, our first priority is to assess whether we can make the site safe enough for adults and children. This will be conducted at 6am by our caretaker.

Although we keep up-to-date with forecasts and weather warnings, some snow and ice conditions can be quite localised. What appears to be 'slushy' snow at school, can be compacted very quickly on frozen ground when children are walking on it, or there may be severe snow around school but little where you live.

When there is a possibility that school may not be able to open we will assess the following criteria:

- Can the site be made safe?
- Will we have sufficient staff to meet appropriate adult:child ratios?
- Can we provide meals at lunchtime?
- Can the staffing arrangements be maintained for the duration of the school day without putting staff at risk?

After this consideration, SLT will inform parents/guardians of one of the following outcomes:

- · Open school as usual
- Delay the opening of the school day. This is to allow staff and pupils adequate time to make their way to school safely, and for the site to be safe for all.
- Close school

We will inform you of school opening/closures in the following ways:

- Text message
- ClassDojo post
- School website

READING PARTNERS

We are always happy to welcome parents/guardians into school to support with our pupils' reading. If you would like to become a reading partner, please contact the school office and a member of staff will arrange a convenient time to speak to you about what this involves.

UNIFORM

As always, here is a reminder about our dress code for school.

- Red Polo shirt
- Navy or black tailored trousers/tailored shorts/skirts
- Navy blue sweatshirt (no hoods) or plain knit blue cardigan (pale blue for nursery children only)
- Black sensible shoes (<u>no logo trainers</u>, <u>casual shoes or fashion boots</u>)
- Plain coloured socks
- Plain blue or red simple hair bands or clips (no large/coloured bows)
- Outdoor coat (Non-uniform jumpers or sweatshirts should not be worn instead of a coat or jacket)

Uniform, embroidered with the school logo, can be purchased from Pinder's School Wear; shops are situated in Crystal Peaks shopping centre, Mansfield Road Warehouse Aston and near Rotherham Bus Station.

Note: it is <u>not</u> compulsory to have the school badge on clothing, and you may purchase appropriate items from supermarkets or other clothing stores.

Please ensure all your child's possessions are clearly labelled with their name and class.

Please note: Do contact your child's class teacher if, for any reason, your child cannot comply with our dress code. We will monitor uniform throughout the year and contact parents if any issues arise.

Jewellery

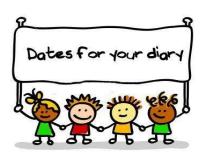
We have noticed a number of children wearing hoop earrings. A reminder that jewellery should not be worn, with the exception of a watch and one pair of small ear studs. Children will be asked to remove inappropriate jewellery and take it home at the end of the day. Ear studs <u>must</u> be removed by the child during P.E. for reasons of health & safety.

PE

Please do ensure that your child has their full PE kit in school at all times, and is equipped for outdoor PE as the term progresses and the weather becomes colder.

WATER BOTTLES/BOOK BAGS

Children should bring a water bottle for use in the classroom throughout the day. This should be in addition to their lunchtime drink. Your child will also need a book bag for their books and equipment. These can be purchased from Pinder's School Wear.



CLASS CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

You are invited into school on the following dates to share your child's work and achievements in class.

Wednesday 15th January – Oak (Mrs Shaw)
Wednesday 22nd January – Ash (Mrs Hall)
Wednesday 29th January – Elm (Mrs Williams)
Wednesday 5th February – Hazel (Mrs Hales)
Wednesday 12th February – Willow (Miss Blake)
Wednesday 26th February – Birch (Mr Gambles)
Wednesday 5th March – Beech (Mrs Davies)
Wednesday 12th March – Maple (Miss Wood)
Wednesday 19th March – Poplar (Mrs Collins)
Wednesday 26th March – Sycamore (Miss Brooks)

As usual all our assemblies will be held in the main hall, starting at 2:45pm. We look forward to seeing you in school.



YOUNG VOICES – Thursday 9th January

Some of our Y5 pupils are attending the very special Young Voices concert at Sheffield Utilita Arena, along with hundreds of other children to sing in the 'world's biggest choir'! They will be joined by some very special guest stars, including the amazing Beatbox Collective. We will share photographs of the event soon.

Y6 SATS MEETING - Thursday 16th January, 4-5pm

Miss Brooks and Mr McHale will be leading this meeting for parents of our Y6 pupils, as they begin their preparation for their SATs in the summer term. This will be an opportunity for parents to find out more about what the tests involve and how they can best support their child over the coming months, including guidance about revision books. We ask that children do not attend these meetings where possible – parents only.

OPTIONAL KS1 SATS MEETING - YEAR 2 - Thursday 23rd January, 4pm

Whilst the KS1 SATS are now optional, we continue to use these as part of our teacher assessments. There will be an opportunity for parents to find out more about what the tests involve and how you may wish to support your child over the coming months.

Y1 PHONICS SCREEN MEETING - Thursday 30th January - 4pm

KS1 staff will be leading a meeting for parents of Y1 children today. This will be to discuss the Phonics Screen process and how you can support your child in preparation for this.

PARENTS' EVENING

We would like to invite you to our second Parents' Evening of the school year, where you can meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress and attainment so far. This will be on Tuesday 4th February from 3.30pm – 6.30pm. Appointments will need to be booked via Arbor. Appointments will be live and available to book from Wednesday 15th January at 5pm.

INSET DAY - Friday 14th February

School will be closed to all children. Staff will be undertaking training.

HALF TERM

School closes for the half term holiday on Thursday 13th February and will reopen on Monday 24th February.

WORLD BOOK DAY – Thursday 6th March

Today we will be celebrating World Book Day, where we encourage and develop our love of reading and all things book related. The children will be invited to come to school dressed as an adjective (e.g. sparkly, sleepy, puzzled) and there will be some exciting competitions and activities taking place. Start thinking about your costumes now, ready for the big day! Miss Brooks will share some further information and ideas on what your costume may be.



SCIENCE WEEK - W/C Monday 10th March

As part of Science week the children will be visiting each other's classrooms and taking part in a range of exciting science experiments throughout the week.

YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION TIMES TABLE CHECK PARENTS MEETING – Wednesday 19th March at 4pm

Mrs Davies and Miss Wood will be leading a parents meeting to share important information on the Multiplication Times Table Check which will take place in June for our Year 4 children.

RED NOSE DAY - Friday 21st March

Today we will be supporting Comic Relief and taking part in Red Nose Day 2025. Children are welcome to wear Red Nose day merchandise and non-uniform.



MOTHERS DAY TEA PARTIES – Thursday 27th and Friday 28th March

We will be celebrating Mother's Day in school with tea parties at the following dates/times;

Nursery – Thursday 27th March – 9am (in the classroom) Reception – Thursday 27th March – 2:30pm (in the hall)

Y2 – Friday 28th March – 9am

Y1 – Friday 28th March – 10.15am

Class teachers will send more details closer to the time.

EASTER HOLIDAY

School will close for the Easter holiday on Friday 28th March, and reopen as normal on Monday 14th April.



EASTER EUCHARISTS - Thursday 17th April

We will be joined in school today by Revd Philip Barringer, who will lead our Easter Eucharist. We will send out more details later about the times, and which year groups will be involved.

CHURCH SERVICES AT ST HELEN'S

Reverend Philip Barringer has asked for the following dates to be shared with our whole school community. There will be services held in St Helen's church on the following dates: Palm Sunday - 13th April and Good Friday 18th April.

BANK HOLIDAYS:

School will be closed on the following Bank holiday dates – Friday 18th April (Good Friday) and Monday 21st April (Easter Monday)

Please continue to check Class Dojo for weekly updates. You can also use our school website for more information - https://www.treetoncofe.co.uk. The calendar is being regularly updated, and there is a page for each class which shares regular curriculum updates.

We look forward to seeing you all in school over the coming term. Thank you for your continued support.

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