



It has been great to see so many families taking part in the seasonal arts and crafts family learning event and our Christmas singing assemblies. It was also brilliant to see children and their parents and carers visiting Nursery for the after school stay and play event. Thank you to everyone who attended.

This month children in Y5 and Y6 learned how to keep themselves safe through the Bike Ability scheme. Y3 developed their language and comprehension skills through their visit to the Steel Cauldron. EYFS & KS1 really enjoyed the pantomime that visited school to tell the story of Jack and the Beanstalk.

We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 6th January 2025 at 8.40am.

Mrs Round, Principal



TERM DATES



Christmas Holidays— 23/12/24—03/01/25

February Half Term — 17/02/25—21/02/24

Easter Holidays — 31/03/25 — 11/04/25



HALF PRICE UNIFORM SALE

**Monday 6th January 2025 until
Friday 10th January 2025**



£4.25



£4.50

9 Habits

Oasis Academies teach 9 special habits to help us all live better

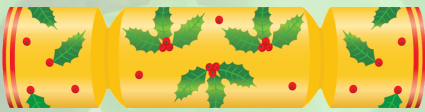
This Months Habit is being Joyful

“Joy in looking and comprehending is nature’s most beautiful gift.”

~Albert Einstein



Christmas Dinner, Christmas Jumper and a visit from Santa day!





DECEMBER



2024



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Wednesday

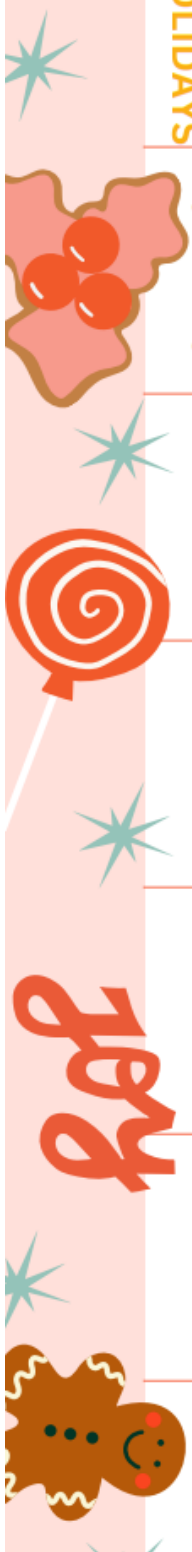
Thursday

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Saturday

Sunday

2 Christmas Tree Light Switch on Attendance 15 for 15 launch	3	4	5 Stories at Bedtime EYFS & KS1	6 St Mikulas Day	7	8	1					
9	10 Jack & the Beanstalk panto	11	12 Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day Nursery Stay & Play	13	14	15						
16 Hot Chocolate	17 Festive Afternoon Tea	18 Parent Arts & Crafts session Y3 visit The Steel Cauldron	19 A.M.A EYFS Parent Assembly	20 Achievement Store Christmas Parent Assembly	21	22						
23 HOLIDAYS	24 HOLIDAYS	25 HOLIDAYS	26 HOLIDAYS	27 HOLIDAYS	28	29						
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Attendance 15 for 15



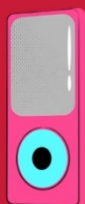
Oasis Academy Fir Vale 15 Days of Christmas 100% Attendance



15 Days of Christmas
100% Attendance

Win Lots of Prizes

Come to school every day from today until Friday 20th December and win prizes.



Goodbye...and Hello!

We say a very sad goodbye to our two Deputy Principals, Mr Stead and Mr Barr as well as Reception Wales teacher, Miss Zahir. They are moving onto pastures new and we wish them all the very best in their future.

In place, we will welcome three Deputy Principals; Mrs K Hussain, Miss C Wilson and Mrs A Freeman. They will start their roles from January 2025. Congratulations!

With Miss Zahir leaving Reception Wales, Miss J Adam will be the new teacher for this class. This now means Miss S Rashid will take over Y5 Norway and Mrs H Guo will be teaching Y3 Uganda.

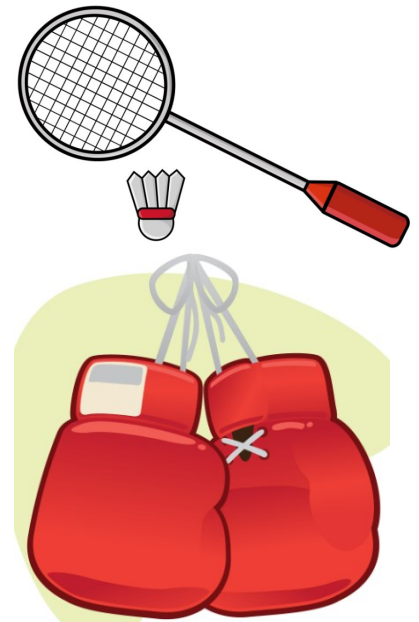
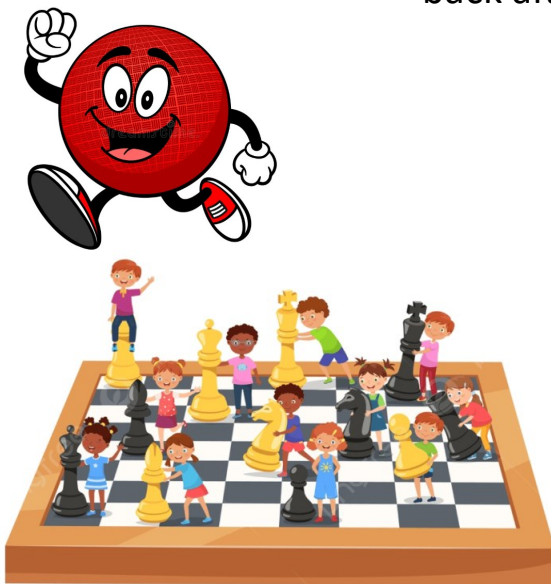
We hope this transition will be as smooth as possible and if you have any questions, please do come and speak to our Senior Leadership Team.



January 2025 Clubs

We have some exciting after school clubs starting from Monday 13th January 2025.

If you requested a club, you will receive confirmation of a place in the first week back after the holidays.



Breakfast Club



ALL ITEMS 25P EACH

Must be paid with card.

Entry from 8.15am.

No entry after 8.30am

Selection of fruit, cereal, yoghurt, juice and toast

Adults must stay with children for the duration



Christmas Holiday Activities

FREE Kids Yoga Festive Holiday Camp 2024-25, Sheffield

5-10 yrs, children receiving benefits-related Free School Meals. Other circumstances considered, email: info@shapinghealthyminds.org.uk
Fun Yoga Games, Forest School Crafts, Snack Making & Guided Chill Out!

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Be active, eat well



Department
for Education



Camps running in:

- Abbeydale
- Stannington
- Manor



SCAN ME

23 Dec - 3 Jan 2024-25, 10am-2pm

Book: sheffieldhealthyholidays.org / text 07540 489779

FREE Kids Yoga & Well-Being Saturdays, Longley S5

5-10 yrs (school age), other ages considered - contact us.
Longley 4G Community Centre, Southey Avenue, Sheffield S5 7NN.

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PEOPLE KEEPING WELL
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SOAR
Supporting people to
make positive changes



- Fun Yoga Games
- Build Strength
- Boost Flexibility
- Guided Chill Out Time
- FREE Drinks / Snacks - last 15 mins of Family Time
- Enjoy Time with Friends
- Safe & Friendly Space

Saturdays, 10.30-11.30am
18th January-29th March 2025

Book: kidsloveyoga.classforkids.io/term/47 or text 07540 240 404

*All Instructors are DBS checked

It is imperative that all children and families are aware of the importance of ice and water safety. Please head over to our website latest news and read the document on water safety.

Winter **WATER SAFETY**

In winter, more people who are walking or running alongside water fall in and drown than in any other season.

Slippery paths, patches of ice and a lack of daylight can make being near water more dangerous than in the summer months. If you fall into the water, the cold temperatures make it difficult for you to control your breathing, to use your hands to climb out and can even cause you to have a heart attack.

So, follow our safety tips to make sure that your winter walks are enjoyable and safe.



KEEP BACK FROM THE EDGE

When walking alongside water keep back from the edge.



ONLY USE WELL LIT AREAS

Time your walks to make the most of the daylight; if you need to walk in the evening only use well-lit areas or take a route not alongside water.



KEEP DOGS ON THEIR LEADS

Keep dogs on their leads when near ice and don't throw sticks or toys onto the ice.



TEACH CHILDREN NOT TO GO ON TO THE ICE

Teach children not to go onto the ice under any circumstances.



DON'T GO ON THE ICE TO RESCUE A DOG

Don't go onto ice or into the water to rescue a dog, move to somewhere that the dog will be able to climb out and call them towards you.




For more information visit rlss.org.uk




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Christmas Holidays 24

Christmas is nearly here! We thought that we could help by putting together some information to signpost you to certain places in case you need support during the Christmas holidays.

Food Banks

This website will help you find a food bank that covers your local area. In many cases, you will need a third-party who is already supporting you (such as a GP, Social Worker, or tenancy support worker) to make arrangements on your behalf to access a food bank.

If you don't know who to turn to for help, please think about contacting Advice Sheffield by visiting www.advicesheffield.org.uk or calling **03444 113 111**.

There are centres across Sheffield where you can access support with the issue(s) that is causing your food crisis.

Firvale Food Bank – St Cuthbert's Church Barnsley Road (opposite the children's Hospital) **0114 2450775** Fir Vale Food Bank is open on Thursdays and Our Community meal is open on Thursdays from 12:30pm to 2:30pm

Share House Market – 37 Stafford Road Sheffield S2 2SE call the team on **07542 379 246**

Family support and mental health and wellbeing support.

YouTube channel with great tips and advice regarding issues such as sleep routines to getting your child ready for returning to school.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGYnErRUpkjQ_GhejRZnzhQ/videos

Early Help

Every year, The Family Intervention Team (FIS) support thousands of families. They can offer support for a variety of issues. Call - **0114 203 7485**

There is a Sheffield Helpline for anyone in Sheffield affected by mental health issues. It is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call **0808 801 0440** if you need support. Calls from landlines are free.



Social Services



If you need to refer a safeguarding concern to Children's Social Care please call the Sheffield Safeguarding Hub, tel: **0114 273 4855** - 8.45am to 5.15pm (Monday to Thursday) - 8.45am to 4.45pm (Friday).

Professionals and members of the public can call The Sheffield Safeguarding Hub at any time; you will be put through to a social worker to discuss your safeguarding concerns about a child or young person.

Childline

Support for children on a range of issues. If you call **0800 1111** you will get through to a counsellor, they're there to listen and support you with anything you'd like to talk about. Or you can have a 1-2-1 counsellor chat online. <https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/>

Emergency Dentist - **111**
South Yorkshire Police - **999** Urgent Support Required
- **101** Non-Urgent Support

Domestic Abuse Help and Support
IDAS HELPLINE Phone **0808 808 2241**



Holiday activities

[From Friday 6th December, from 3pm, families can book activities under the DfE funded Holiday Activities with Food \(HAF\) programme. For more information on how to book, please visit \[www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org\]\(http://www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org\)](http://www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org)

- [Oasis Academy Fir Vale Christmas Activities Community Hub Building](http://www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org)

The Winter 2024 Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF). Just as a reminder, the programme provides **free holiday club sessions to school-aged children from Reception to Year 11 who receive income-assessed/benefits-related free school meals**. Children will also receive a nutritious meal whilst at the club

[sheffieldhealthyholidays.org](http://www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org) – [sheffieldhealthyholidays.org](http://www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org) – Explore, Create, Eat well, Move!

