

Newsletter 30 Summer Term 9th May 2025

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week our children are **shining** showing our school value **Respect** ☀

Praise to our BSIS children who joined in our special assembly this week in KS1. We are very proud of our children for their very respectful observations, questioning and responses to the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day commemorations.

It has been my absolute pleasure to welcome our new to FS1/School September 2025 Nursery families into school for their transition meetings. It was lovely to see both returning and new to school families. Thank you to our excellent EYFS Lead Mrs Davies and FS1/School Nursery Teachers Mrs Somerset and Mrs Bradbury for their informative presentations.

This week, as I have visited classes, I have found children to be full of the joys of spring/summer noticing and talking about all of the seasonal changes around them and seeing that our school is starting to bloom. We have also had more visitors from the LA this week who complimented us on our positive, calm, nurturing climate and children engaged in their learning. Well-done everyone!

Thank you for your continued support.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Searson
Headteacher

The Phonics Screen Check 2025

Phonics Screen Check breakfast and lunchtime booster clubs continue this half term and leading up to the **Phonics Screen Check week from Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June**. Thank you for your commitment to this. We are seeing such a positive impact from these sessions. **We strongly urge you to not book a holiday during this period or incur any unnecessary absence.** This could result in your child being required to re-sit the check the following year in Y2 2026.

Thank you to the parents/carers who have attended our workshops. If you were unable to attend, please watch this short clip to see what the Phonics Screen Check entails.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4XtDTwfjXM4>



All Year 1 children have been gifted a Speed Sounds Book from school. This is an opportunity for extra practice at home in readiness for the Phonics Screen Check. Please practise each sound and tick it off when it is secured (read several times without hesitation).

FS1 Welcome Meetings

This week Mrs Searson, Mrs Davies and Mrs Somerset welcomed our new FS1/School Nursery families this week who will join us in September. We provided them with an insight into their child's new adventures, and we look forward to them joining the Bramley Sunnyside school family. If your child is due to start in our FS1/nursery class in September and you did not attend these sessions, please contact the school office to sign up to a transition session in July.

Health and Safety

We are aware lots of children are choosing to cycle or scoot to school in a morning especially with the lovely weather we are having at the moment. We would thank you for supporting them to be active but remind you that all children must dismount their bike or scooter at the outside gates and not ride through the school grounds. The paths and playgrounds are very busy in a morning and we need to ensure everyone's safety. They will be asked to dismount if they haven't already by a member of the school team.

Attendance

Please speak to our Attendance Lead, Miss Cheshire when you are considering booking time away from school to consult on your attendance profile and triggers. We are here to help and offer advice where we can.

A reminder of The Department for Education's new updates to attendance. <https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/education-2/school-attendance> <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance>

Please note that ALL term-time holidays are classed as unauthorised.

Please also be reminded that any late arrival (*after registers have closed*) is recorded as an 'Unauthorised Absence' so please make every effort to arrive at school before the registers are closed at **9:15am**.

Attendance this week (whole school) is: **92.96%**
above 96%!

Help us to can get back

Weekly year group highest attendance: Year 2 with 97.33%! 🙌🙌

Weekly year group lowest attendance: Foundation Stage 2 with 90.35%.

Thank you to all parents and carers that are supporting good attendance of 90%+

If your child has less than 90% attendance it is categorised as 'persistence absence' at 50% is categorised as 'severe absence'. You will be sent a letter to alert you and to offer support. If your child's attendance declines further, you will be invited into school for a meeting to discuss how support might improve your child's attendance. If this continues the Local Authority will issue with an official 'Notice to Improve' and proceed with the Rotherham SAMP process. You can view your current attendance on Arbor.

Spotlight Days

Watch out for our 'Spotlight Day' coming up in Summer Term! Our Spotlight Days encour

and celebrate 100% attendance. All children that are in school on this special day will receive an exciting surprise!

Reporting Illnesses

When deciding if your child is well enough for school, please consult the NHS link: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> Thank you for communicating any absence, appointments and late arrivals via the school office. This is much appreciated. Please be reminded that we need a reason for any absence for our records. We notice that we have allocated a high number of medical appointments during the school day and ask you, where at all possible to take these out of school hours or in the school holidays.

School Uniform

Please can we remind you about school uniform and jewellery from a safety perspective. We ask that you ensure children are in suitable footwear for school and wear only stud earring – no other jewellery. Children who come to school wearing inappropriate items will be asked to put them in their school bag. We have lots of spare school uniform at the front of school should you need it. Please help yourselves. We also ask that if you find that you have uniform items at home that do not belong to your child, please return them to school. www.bramleysunnysideinfant.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/School-Dress-Code-2023-24.pdf

ATTENDANCE WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1 I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.
Your holiday will not be authorised and you must tell the school before you leave starting.
Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.
The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 10 days it will be reduced to £80.

2 FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.
• £160 • £160 • £160 • £160
4 children & 1 parent = £640
Reduced to £320 if paid in 10 days.

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE
10 10 5
If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution.
1 Day = 2 Sessions

3 FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS
• £160 • £160 • £160 • £160
4 children & 2 parents = £1280
Reduced to £640 if paid in 10 days.

4 If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

2ND TIME
2 parents and 1 child = £320
2 children = £640
3 children = £960
4 children = £1280
No discount for early payment

3RD TIME
A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court.
A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child.
1 parent & 4 children = £10,000
2 parents & 4 children = £20,000

'One Voice' Singing Event

Thank you to all the parents who have given their consent for their Year 2 children to attend the One Voice singing event at Magna Science Park on **Wednesday 18th June**. The choir, *Sunnyside Songbirds* are busy learning the songs and preparing for the performance. If your child is a member of the choir, it would be incredibly helpful if they could practise the songs at home – as we have 12 to learn! They can be found using the following link: <https://www.rotherhammusic.co.uk/one-voice>



On the day, the children will come to school at the normal time, be taken by coach to Magna Science Park for a rehearsal and will then share lunch together. They will need a packed lunch either from school or home. The concert will take place from 1pm – 2.20 and then we will bring the children back to school. If you would like to attend the concert, it is now possible to purchase tickets directly from the Rotherham Music Hub by using the following link: <https://www.rotherhammusic.co.uk/events/tickets> Please be aware that the One Voice singing event will take place over two separate days – but our children will only be participating on the 18th June and so when purchasing tickets – please click on 'Day 2'.

FS2 Library Visit

On Monday 19th May, our FS2 children have been invited to attend Wickerlsey library to meet a real author. Jo Hill is a children's author originally from Sheffield and has written the book Herumphmumph. She will be sharing this story which based around friendships with our children. Unit 2 will be setting off at 9am, Unit 3 at 10am and Unit 4 at 1pm. We would really appreciate any parent support with this wonderful invitation, if you are available to join us please see your child's class teacher or send a message via ClassDojo.

Breakfast Club £4

07:45-08:30am Now available to book on Arbor up until Summer! Please note that places are available to book as a **block booking payment. F2-Y2** (under consultation)

During this session children can enjoy a varied choice of breakfast food and drink. Daily cost includes a choice of food and drinks. During this special time before school children enjoy games, crafts and sports with their friends and are well supported by our happy, caring adults.



Wraparound Consultation and School Offer

We are pleased to be able to move forward with our wraparound care offer which will be implemented in stages during the forthcoming months. The wraparound offer criteria is not available to FS1 children from September. We are able to offer a breakfast club initially to a raised number of 30 pupils (F2-Y2) from 7:45-8:30am with a block extended booking. We aim to make the breakfast club available from 7:30am in due course, available for block whole year booking, following a period of consultation. This is in support of the Government agenda for working families. We are hoping to offer after school provision until 17.30pm from September 2025.

School Clubs

Please note that places are only available to book as a **half term block payment** using Arbor. The after-school clubs cost between £3-£3.50. Sports Clubs are delivered by sports professionals 'Live & Learn'. Other clubs are delivered by school staff.

Monday – F2-Y2 **Cricket and Rounders** -15:05-16:10pm (Live & Learn)

Monday – KS1 **Library Club** - 15:05-16:10pm (Mrs Rushton)

Monday – KS1 **Cooking Club** – 15:05-16:30pm (Mrs Frost & Mrs Ford)

Tuesday – KS1 **Science Club** – 15:05 – 16:10pm (Mrs Frost & Mrs Ford)

Wednesday – F2-Y2 **Mini V/FIT Trampolining Club** – 15:05-16:10pm (Live & Learn)

Wednesday – KS1 **Gardening Club** - 15:05-16:30pm (Mrs Ford & Mrs Frost)

Thursday – F2-Y2 **Movie Night** – 15:05-16:10pm (Mrs Taylor & Mrs Chilcott)

Thursday – KS1 **Designers & Makers** - 15:05-16:10pm (Mrs Frost & Mrs Ford)

Friday – F2-Y2 **Gymnastics** – 07:45am – 8:30am (Live & Learn)

Diary Dates 2025

Monday 19 th May	FS2 Wickersley Library Visit
Tuesday 20 th May	Anti-bullying workshops for children
Friday 16 th May	NEW to FS2 welcome meeting 1:30pm school hall
9 th -13 th June	Phonics Screen Check Week
Monday 16 th June	FS1 Captivating Creatures visit
Tuesday 17 th June	School Photography
Wednesday 18 th June	One Voice
Thursday 19 th June	Class 7 & 8 visit to Cadbury's World
Tuesday 24 th June	Class 5, 6 10 visit to Withernsea (TBC)
Wednesday 25 th June	Family Learning Workshop (Y2 Roald Dahl)
Tuesday 26 th June	KS1 African Drumming
Wednesday 2 nd July	FS1 Sports Day (Details TBC)
Friday 4 th July	FS2 & KS1 Sports Day (Details TBC)
Friday 4 th July	ROAs to parents/carers
Friday 11 th July	Y2 Leavers Assembly 13:45pm
Wednesday 23 rd July	Break up for summer! (Normal finish times)

*More dates to follow including: Transition dates and schedules.

Term Dates for 2024

2nd September – 25th October 2024

5th November – 20th December 2024

6th January – 14th February 2025

25th February – 28th March 2025

14th April – 17th April 2025 (Easter weekend 18th-21st)

22nd April – 1st May 2025 (5th May, May Day)

6th May – 23rd May 2025

2nd June – 23rd July 2025

Inset Days 2024/2025

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 4th November 2024

Monday 24th February 2025

Friday 2nd May 2025

Friday 27th June 2025

Inset Days 2025/2026

Monday 1st September 2025

Friday 24th October 2025

Monday 3rd November 2025

Friday 22nd May 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

School Menus

Please find below the new school meal menus starting April 2025.

RIVERSIDE CATERING SCHOOL MEALS THREE CHOICE MENU - CHILLED CHOICE

From April 2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	Pasta Bolognese	Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding	Chicken Fajita	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding	Fish Fingers
14/04/25	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings	Quorn Enchilada (V)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)	Quorn Sausage Roll (VG)	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings
05/05/25	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham	Chilled Choice Cheese or Tuna	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham	Chilled Choice Cheese or Tuna	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham
02/06/25	Garlic Bread	Creamed Potatoes	Savoury Rice Potato Wedges	Roast & Creamed Potatoes	Chips
23/06/25	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
14/07/25	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
08/09/25	Chocolate Brownie	Lemon Shortcake & Custard	Iced Sponge	Chocolate Sponge & Custard	Muffin
29/09/25	Cookie & Milk	Ice Cream & Fruit	Cookie & Milk	Strawberry Mousse	Cookie & Milk
20/10/25					

RIVERSIDE CATERING SCHOOL MEALS THREE CHOICE MENU - CHILLED CHOICE

From April 2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 2	Lasagne	Quorn Burger (V)	Cornish Style Pasty	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding	Battered Fish
21/04/25	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings	Salmon Fishcake	French Bread Pizza (V)	Quorn Dippers (VG)	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings
12/05/25	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham	Chilled Choice Cheese or Tuna	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham	Chilled Choice Cheese or Tuna	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham
09/06/25	Diced Potatoes	Potato Wedges	Sliced Potatoes	Roast & Creamed Potatoes	Chips
30/06/25	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
21/07/25	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
15/09/25	Jam Sponge & Custard	Chocolate Crunch	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Fruit Crumble & Custard	Muffin
06/10/25	Cookie & Milk	Fruit Jelly	Cookie & Milk	Rice Crispy Bun	Cookie & Milk

RIVERSIDE CATERING SCHOOL MEALS

THREE CHOICE MENU - CHILLED CHOICE

From April 2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 3 28/04/25 19/05/25 16/06/25 07/07/25 01/09/25 22/09/25 13/10/25	Chicken Tikka Masala, Boiled Rice & Naan Bread	Chicken Enchilada	Cottage Pie	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding	Fish Fingers
	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings	Quorn Hot Dog (VG)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings	Cheese Flan (V)
	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham	Chilled Choice Cheese or Tuna	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham	Chilled Choice Cheese or Tuna	Chilled Choice Cheese or Ham
		Savoury Rice Diced Potatoes	Potato Wedges	Roast & Creamed Potatoes	Chips
		Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
	Chocolate & Orange Sponge & Chocolate Sauce Cookie & Milk	Australian Crunch Ice Cream & Fruit	Flapjack Cookie & Milk	Jam Whirl & Custard Rice Crispy Bun	Cupcake Cookie & Milk

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about MAKING FRIENDS ONLINE

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

In today's digital world, it's increasingly common for children to form friendships with people they've never met in person. While online connections can offer children a sense of belonging, they also carry significant risks. Around 18% of children aged 10 to 15 in England and Wales have chatted online with someone they've never met face to face. This guide offers expert advice for parents and educators on helping children navigate online friendships safely.

ONLINE GROOMING THREATS

Predators use on-line games, chat apps or social media platforms to build relationships with children and gain their trust. This may quickly develop into grooming or exploitation. Between April 2017 and March 2023, UK police recorded nearly 34,000 online grooming offences – an 83% increase in just five years.

EXPOSURE TO INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Children may encounter distressing or explicit material while interacting with online content – especially via TikTok, Instagram or Snapchat. This is evidenced in a survey by the Children's Commissioner for England, which found that 49% of children aged 8 to 17 had seen content online that made them feel uncomfortable, worried or upset.

PRIVACY AND DATA RISKS

Children and young people often overshare personal details – such as where they live or go to school – without understanding the consequences. In fact, 4.4% of 10 to 17-year-olds in the UK have met up in real life with someone they'd only spoken to online.

COMPROMISED PERSONAL SAFETY

Meeting an online 'friend' in real life does place a child in serious danger. From abduction to sex trafficking, the consequences can be devastating. Reports of children being harmed after such meetings are becoming increasingly common in the UK, highlighting the need for safeguarding interventions.

PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS

Online harm – such as cyberbullying, grooming or exposure to disturbing content – can lead to long-term emotional issues, including anxiety, depression and PTSD. 'Revenge' games, who threaten to release personal information about a person unless they pay them money, have reportedly targeted children as young as 5, leaving them traumatised and ashamed.

LONG-TERM REPERCUSSIONS

Children exposed to harmful online relationships early on may develop unhealthy beliefs about relationships, consent, or self-worth. In a recent case, a 16-year-old posed as a girl on Instagram to befriend children aged 10 to 15, manipulating them into sexual activity and sending profound emotional distress. One 11-year-old tragically died by suicide, highlighting the long-term psychological harm online friendships with strangers can cause.

26 FRIENDS ONLINE NOW

Advice for Parents & Educators

TEACH SAFE ONLINE HABITS

Help children understand how to use privacy settings, protect their personal information, spot fake profiles, and report anything suspicious or concerning. Encourage them to think critically about what they share – and whom they're talking to.

KEEP CONVERSATIONS OPEN

Let children know they can talk to you about their online life. Avoid reacting with anger or judgement, as this may prevent them from opening up in the future. A child who feels listened to is more likely to disclose problems before they escalate.

ENCOURAGE REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS

Support children in building friendships through school, clubs, hobbies and activities in the real world. Strong offline relationships help reduce children's reliance on online platforms for social interaction, and can help them develop resilience and social confidence.

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Parental control settings on devices, games and apps can help manage screen time, filter out inappropriate content, and monitor activity. While no system is perfect, they provide an essential layer of protection as children explore digital spaces.

Meet Our Expert

Sarah Haines is a safeguarding consultant with over 10 years' experience in supporting children, families, and adults across education, local authority, and mental health settings – both in the UK (including at Parliamentary level) and internationally.



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**WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO LEARN TO
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GROUPS LESSONS £68 PER TERM

PAIRED LESSONS £89 PER TERM

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS £106 - £189 PER TERM

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SCHOOL?**

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PAIRED LESSONS £89 PER TERM
INDIVIDUAL LESSONS £106 - £189 PER TERM
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Did you know that pharmacies can now offer clinical appointments with medication available if required for four clinical conditions particularly relevant to school age children?



- **Earache** (children aged 1-17)
- **Sore throat** (over 5s)
- **Infected insect bites** (over 1s)
- **Impetigo** (over 1s)



Think 'Pharmacy First'

GP practices are busy and it can be difficult to get a same-day GP appointment. When your child is off sick from school with any of the above conditions, by going straight to your local pharmacy you can have a consultation with a trained clinical professional and receive advice and even medication if it is needed, meaning they could be on the road to recovery and back at school as soon as possible.



For more information, speak with your local community pharmacy.

To find your nearest pharmacy, see:
<https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/pharmacy/find-a-pharmacy>.
Or scan the QR code:



OPERATION ENCOMPASS

Are you concerned about a child or children in your school who are experiencing domestic abuse?

Would you like FREE advice and a professional dialogue with an Education Psychologist about how to best support them?

Call the Operation Encompass Teachers' Helpline

0204 513 9990

(Charged at local rate)

Monday to Friday 8.00am to 11.00am

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**ARE YOU
EXPERIENCING
DOMESTIC ABUSE
& NEED IMMEDIATE HELP?
ASK FOR ANI** 

STEP 1 If a pharmacy has the **ASK FOR ANI** symbol on display, this means they are ready to help.

STEP 2 Approach a member of staff and **ASK FOR ANI**.

STEP 3 They will offer you a private space, provide a phone and ask if you want a 999 police response or to speak to a domestic abuse support helpline.

For further information
VISIT: [GOV.UK/DOMESTIC-ABUSE](https://gov.uk/domestic-abuse)

Action Needed Immediately

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TRFT–Children’s Health Service App



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Rotherham's Children's Public Health Nursing Service (0-19)

Rotherham Children's Public Health Nursing Service (previously known as Rotherham 0-19 Service) delivers a public health based service across Rotherham from late pregnancy up to 19 years (some cases up to 25 years).

The Rotherham Children's Public Health Nursing Service incorporates the health visiting and school nursing teams along with other community practitioners to:

- promote healthy lifestyles
- provide advice and support for children, young people, families and carers.

We hope to empower them to achieve their full potential, be healthy and stay safe. We can help them take a more targeted approach when needed.

Download the Rotherham Children's Public Health Nursing Services app by scanning the QR code or search TRFT-Children's Health Service App.

The APP hosts important information around school readiness, child development, healthy life styles, sleep health, SEND support and much more.

Small changes,
big differences.



Group Fear-Less Triple P **Help your child (aged 6-14 years)** **break free from anxiety.**

**New 6-week positive parenting course starts
soon...**

DATE • Thursday 17th of April 2025
TIME • 09.30am-11.30am
VENUE • Dalton Family & Children's Centre, Magna Lane, Dalton, Rotherham. S65 4HH

If you would like to book a place on this course, please access the Rotherham Family Hubs Website and complete an online referral form.

<http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/homepage/492/activities-and-support-for-families>

www.triplep-parenting.net