



Welcome to the Monthly Newsletter

October 2025

The next issue will be out in November



Thank you very much parents for the excellent attendance we continue to have at Stannington Infant School.

We want high attendance for all children at Stannington.

Our target is for all children to have attendance of 97% or higher if at all possible.

For September the percentages for each class are as follows:-

**Class 1** 93% have attendance of 97% or higher

**Class 2** 86% have attendance of 97% or higher

**Class 3** 70% have attendance of 97% or higher

**Class 4** 77% have attendance of 97% or higher

**Class 5** 93% have attendance of 97% or higher

**Class 6** 73% have attendance of 97% or higher

**Sheffield Every school day matters!**  
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Attendance is more than a mark in a register

Attendance is

- ❖ Ensuring your child gets the best start in life
- ❖ Ensuring your child maximises their learning opportunities
- ❖ Developing social skills, relationships with peers and adults and appropriate interaction
- ❖ Building long term and reliable friendships
- ❖ The development of your child's personality, independence and resilience
- ❖ Your child sharing "their day" and experiences with you.
- ❖ Forming good habits early on

This can only happen if your child attends school daily and on time.

If you are experiencing difficulties getting your child to school or you are unsure if your child is well enough to attend please speak to the school.

School attendance is an important building block for your child's future

Relationships Friendships  
Attendance/punctuality  
Social Skills Education/Learning Core Life Skills



We have had to change the date of 2 workshops – please check the dates in the diary section.

- 3.10.25 Y1 History Van workshop
- 7.10.25 Parents Mathematics workshop 2.45-3.15 school hall – all welcome!
- 8.10.25 Y2 visit to Music in The Round
- 9.10.25 ~~Phonics and Handwriting workshop 9-9.30 school hall – all welcome!~~
- 14.10.25 ~~Parents Mathematics workshop 9-9.30 school hall – all welcome!~~
- 13.10.25 Parents evening (**class 1**) – 1:1 meetings with class teachers, parents only please
- 14.10.25 Parents evening – 1:1 meetings with class teachers, parents only please
- 16.10.25 Parents evening – 1:1 meetings with class teachers, parents only please
- 17.10.25 9.30am – 10.30 coffee morning school hall.
- 21.10.25 Tutti Frutti theatre production Hare and the Tortoise (all children)
- 23.10.25 Non uniform day – £1.00 donation to PFA fundraising please
- 24.10.25 Inset Day – no pupils in school
- 27.10.25 Half term
- 4.11.25 Be Bright Be Seen day / Bling your bike / scooter day
- 7.11.25 Phonics and Handwriting workshop 9-9.30 school hall – all welcome!
- 11.11.25 Parents Mathematics workshop 9-9.30 school hall – all welcome!
- 14.11.25 Children in Need – wear spots and donate £1.00
- 18.11.25 Victorian Classroom in school for Y2 classes
- 28.11.25 9.30am – 10.30 coffee morning school hall.
- 12.12.25 Christmas Jumper Day (NSPCC)
- 12.12.25 Christmas Party day
- 19.12.25 Non uniform day – £1.00 donation to PFA fundraising please
- 19.12.25 End of term

### Christmas 2025 at Stannington Infant School

**PFA Christmas Fayre**  
More details to follow

Nativities are at Christchurch Stannington.  
FS (class 1 & 2) 10am Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
Y1 (class 3 & 4) 2pm Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
Y2 (class 5 & 6) 10am Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Jumper Day 12<sup>th</sup> December**  
£1.00 if you are able to donate for Save the Children, thank you.

**Christmas Party day 12<sup>th</sup> December**  
Then Puzzling Paul is coming to amaze us with his magic and Alfie the Elf will give us the latest news from the North Pole.  
Many thanks to the PFA for funding this for the children.

**Christingle Service**  
Making Christingles 16<sup>th</sup> at 9.45am in school; parental help if possible.  
£1.00 if you are able for The Children's Society, thank you.  
**Christingle service 1.30pm Christchurch 17<sup>th</sup> December.**  
Families welcome

**Christmas Singing**  
Don't forget that on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 3.10pm we will be singing Christmas songs in the playground.  
Please do come and join us.  
FS on the stage / Y1 outside their classroom / Y2 on the stage.

**Christmas Dinner 18<sup>th</sup> December**



## Road Safety

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October we will have a **road safety** assembly. To follow this up we would like to have a **Be Bright Be Seen day on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.**

Children should come to school in their uniform but accessorize with bright or reflective clothing to highlight the need to be more visible on dark nights. **Our school council will be handing out prizes to the 'brightest pupils'**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November** is also **Bling Your Bike and Scooter Day!**

This is a chance to be creative and "dress your bike up" as whatever you want-. You can use paper, stickers, tape, tinsel- basically anything you like to make your bike look as good as you can.

This is to encourage children to travel actively to school. Please remember you still have to ride your bike to school - nothing trailing in the spokes, wheels or on the ground and nothing which will make the bike unstable. Don't forget to decorate your helmet too!

**There will prizes for the best decorated and most creative bikes.**

We will have a parade of our decorated bikes and scooters to show our class friends.

On arrival at school please can year groups store their bikes in the following areas:-

FS:- at the side of the dining room

Year 1:- at the rear of the Y1 classroom

Year 2:- in the bike barn



**Did you know that our school is one of a small number in the country to have achieved Platinum Modeshift Stars award**

The scheme recognises schools that have shown excellence in supporting cycling, walking and other forms of sustainable and active travel.

In addition to this our school has chosen to be part of an exciting nationwide challenge to encourage more children and their families to walk to school. **WOW – the year-round walk to school challenge** is delivered by Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, to help as many children as possible experience the benefits of walking to school.



WOW is a pupil-led initiative where children self-report how they get to school every day. If they travel sustainably (walk, cycle or scoot) one day each week for a month, they get rewarded with a badge. It's that easy!

**What if you can't walk to school?** If you live too far away or don't have time to walk the whole way to school, you can Park and Stride to help your child earn their WOW badge. Park or hop off public transport **at least five minutes away** from the school and walk the rest of the way (otherwise this would not be classed as walking to school). Our 5-minute walk zone is on the website <https://www.stanningtoninfants.co.uk/modeshift-stars/>

**Did you know?** The WOW badges are made using excess yoghurt-pot material previously destined for landfill and are produced in the UK, minimising our carbon footprint.





## Please can you help

In order to develop the children's independence at school please could you focus on the following at home

- Fastening coats independently (*when buying new coats try to find ones without double zips or lots of fur around a zip as the children tend to find these harder*)
- Using a knife and fork – please can you focus on using a knife to cut food.
- Turning the sleeve inside out after taking off a sweatshirt

**Please label ALL items of clothing and property clearly with your child's name.**

If your child loses an item of clothing this will be returned to them if named or stored on the trolley in the cloakroom for a limited period of time. Please feel free to come in before or after school to look for items.

We already have two boxes full of unnamed sweatshirts!!!

Given the unpredictable nature of our weather please can you ensure your child has a coat at school every day. We always go outside to play or to the dining room.

Please make sure water bottles are filled before school with water only.

***Thank you in advance for your help..***



We are proud to announce that we have joined the national Let's Go Zero campaign to become a zero carbon school by 2030.

With the support of a dedicated Climate Action Advisor, the school is developing a climate action plan to cut emissions, engage children in sustainability learning, and support local sustainability goals.

We would love to involve our parents and carers with this work so please get in touch if you are able to become involved.





# Stannington Infant School's



## Breakfast and After School Club

<b>Breakfast Club</b>	Monday to Friday 7.30 – 8.50am
<b>After School Club</b>	Monday to Friday 3.15 – 5.45pm

We provide excellent wrap around provision within a safe and happy environment.

The sessions are charged at £5.50 for breakfast club which is open from 7.30 am. Each child will receive a healthy breakfast and a drink with quiet space and activities so they are ready for the start of school. Children will be accompanied to the classroom 8.40 am ready for registration.

After school club is available from 3.15pm until 5.45pm, the sessions are charged at £9.00. The children will have access to both indoor and outdoor facilities, making use of our wonderful school grounds. Indoor activities include craft, colouring, baking, whilst outdoors children will have balance bikes, gardening or sporting fun. A healthy snack will be available e.g. fruit or vegetables, toast, smoothies or milk.

All bookings must be made using the Parentmail app booking system and you must use the PAY NOW option unless you are using childcare vouchers in which case you may use the PAY LATER option. **All bookings must be paid for upfront** and you will receive a refund if you cancel 48 hours in advance.

We have 20 places and cannot accommodate more children at this time. Places will only be allocated upon receipt of the registration form.

Please note that spaces are limited so ensure you request a place in plenty of time.





A friendly, creative environment for learning together



## School Terms and Holidays Academic Year 2025/2026

### Term Dates (All dates inclusive)

<b>Autumn</b>	Monday 1 September 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
<b>Spring</b>	Monday 5 January 2026	Friday 27 March 2026
<b>Summer</b>	Monday 13 April 2026	Monday 20 July 2026

### Holiday Periods

<b>School re-opens</b>	Monday 1 September 2025	
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 27 October 2025	Friday 31 October 2025
<b>Christmas</b>	Monday 22 December 2025	Friday 2 January 2026
<b>Spring Half Term</b>	Monday 16 February 2026	Friday 20 February 2026
<b>Easter</b>	Monday 30 March 2026	Friday 10 April 2026
<b>May Day</b>	Monday 4 May 2026	
<b>Spring Bank</b>	Monday 25 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026
<b>Summer</b>	School closes at the end of the day on Tuesday 21 July 2026	

### Staff Training Days

<b>Autumn</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	
<b>Spring</b>	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	
<b>Summer</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	

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