

19<sup>th</sup> June 2026



# Newsletter

Congratulations to our winners this week!

Achievement and Ethos Awards

James, Georgia, Thomas, Sophie, Alayna, Amelia, Zak T, Oliver, Emily, Faith, Rumaya, Rosie, Jonah, Alice and Kian

Dear Parents/Carers,

A newsletter full of so many thank yous!

Firstly, a belated thank you to a group of parents complete with their rubber gloves who sorted through the mountains (and they were mountains) of unnamed school uniform. This has now been repurposed and is available as pre-loved uniform or donated to a charity shop. Any unnamed uniform will now be put into the box outside the office, and a fortnightly basis sorted through and offered as pre-loved or donated to charity.

This week we held Culture Day on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June. It was amazing to see so many of our children dressing in something representing their own culture or the culture of continent they were learning about in class. The day was kicked off wonderfully by one of our school parents – Camille – who talked to us about Jamaica, led us in a human juke box competition (!) and whole school reggae dancing. Camille certainly had a fan club with many children wanting to hear more and to keep dancing instead of breaktime.

Thank you also to parents who came into nursery and year 2 and offered henna painting for those who wanted to take part. There were also some amazing food donations where we were able to celebrate the cultures within our communities and try something new!

During celebration worship this Friday, Katie continued the theme of coming together through music and Bob Marley – in particular. Katie led us in singing with a pop-up band Three Little Birds.

And the community feel, and having fun together does not stop there. This Saturday is the FOSC Summer Fair from 2pm. We look forward to seeing many of you there.


Kind Regards

*Guia Marsland*

## Saltburn-by-the-Sea


Year 6 had a fantastic trip to Saltburn on Wednesday, where they played on the beach, jumped the waves, had traditional seaside chips and scrumptious ice-cream.

All children represented our school commendably and members of the public complimented their courteous manners.




Year 6 would like to say a huge thank you to FOSC for funding the chips and ice-cream.

“We got really lucky with the weather. It was sunny but not too hot.”



“I loved the beautiful view and the fresh sea that cooled me down.”

“Building a sandcastle with my friends was so much fun. We even added a real crab to it!”



“I loved playing ‘Ring Around the Roses’ in the sea with Miss Matthews, but I wasn’t so keen when we had to all fall down!”

“It was my first time at the beach and it was just incredible! Thank you St. Chad’s for giving us this opportunity. Best experience ever!”

## CULTURE DAY!

Culture Day started with an amazing Collective Worship by Camille – Aria's Mum. We learnt so much about life in the Caribbean and Jamaica. What a fun time we all had, with a jukebox singing competition between staff, parents and carers and the children!

A huge shoutout to Miss Matthews for her excellent dancing which we loved. Thank again to Camille for giving up your time for setting the bar incredibly high for Collective Worship!



Mrs Marsland's funky dance moves!

Culture Day in Years 5 and 1 took the form of learning outdoors!

Working in mixed class pairs, we practiced Map Skills of labelling all of the continents in Africa, trying to recall as many as possible and then drawing and colouring abstract African art.

Well done everyone for working so well as a team!



Year 6 had a wonderful Culture Day exploring examples from Middle Eastern cultures, with a particular focus on Arab, Persian and Turkish traditions. The children began by using maps to develop their understanding of the Middle East as a diverse region made up of many different countries, languages, landscapes and cultures. They discussed the importance of challenging stereotypes and not assuming that one place, tradition or language represents everyone.

Throughout the day, they learned simple greetings in Arabic, Persian/Farsi and Turkish, explored storytelling traditions and created beautiful geometric patterns inspired by Islamic art. They even tried their hand at beautiful calligraphy writing and sampled some delicious cuisine and mint tea.



A special part of the day was hearing from members of our own class, who shared information about their cultures, languages and family traditions.



It was a fantastic day of learning, reflection and celebration. Year 6 showed maturity, respect and openness as they explored how art, language, stories, music, food and family traditions help people express identity and belonging.

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## Nursery Culture day

Yesterday we had the pleasure of Mika'il's mum and auntie coming in to share their Pakistani culture with us. We shared traditional food and the children could have henna hand painting. The children and staff had a wonderful time.



You are invited to our

# Summer Concert

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 3.30pm in the school hall

Come and hear the school choir, woodwind pupils from y4 and y5 and some of the guitar pupils from KS2 showcase their learning from this year.

## ☀️ BRAND NEW FOR 2026/27 – TRAINING DAY CLUB! ☀️

We're excited to launch our **Training Day Childcare** provision for the 2026/27 school year! 📣 **Bookings open on 4th September!**

### 📅 Training Day Dates

✅ Friday 23rd October 2026

✅ Friday 29th January 2027

🕒 **Time:** 8:00am- 4:30pm

💰 **Cost:** £30 per child, per day

### 🍴 What's Included?

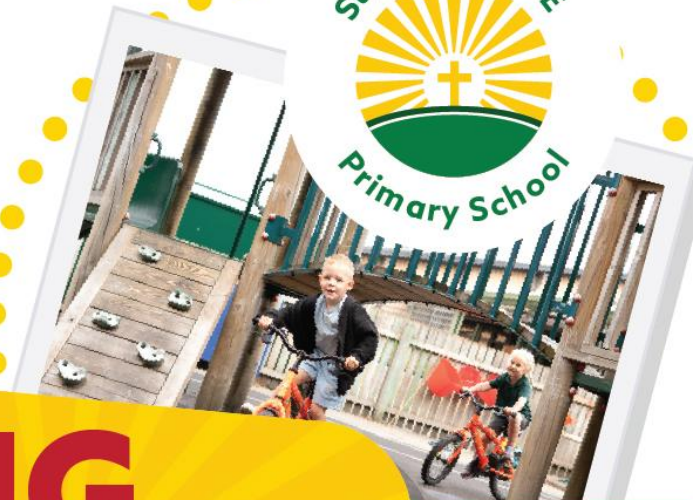
🍳 Breakfast with a choice of cereals, bagels, toast, crumpets, fresh fruit and yoghurts.

🍏 A light, healthy afternoon snack.

🎨 🌐 🎲 Our Training Day Childcare offers a fun and varied programme, giving children the freedom to explore a wide range of activities throughout the day. From creative crafts and games to active play and group activities, there's something for everyone to enjoy!

Discover What's On!

The **OOHA** Club



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Friday 29th January 2027

8:00am - 4:30pm

### Cost:

£30 per day

Breakfast and snack included



Outdoor & Indoor Play

Explore & Energise



Arts & Crafts

Express Creativity



Computing

Explore New Skills



Dance & Drama

Build Confidence



...and so much more!



Find out more about our wraparound childcare!

<https://tinyurl.com/OOHAClubSC>

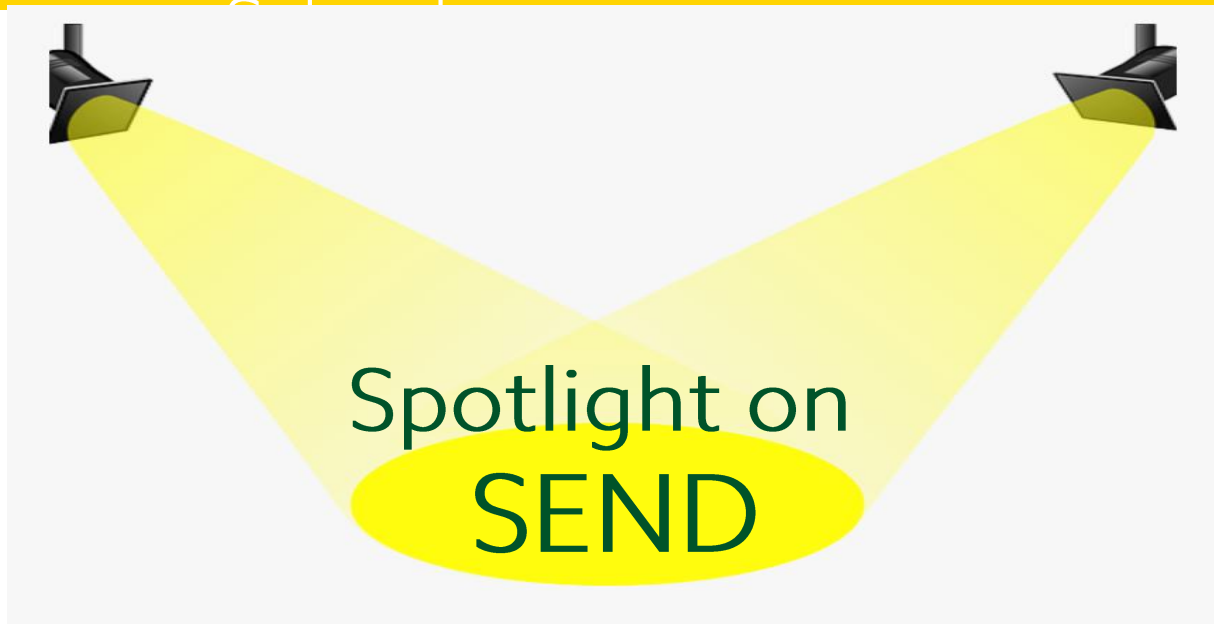
### Holiday Clubs

OOHA Club offers school holiday childcare:

**Easter** - 1 week

**Summer** - 3 weeks

Please note spaces are limited



### Supporting Transition to the Next Year Group

As we get further into the summer term, many children begin to think about moving into a new class. While this can be exciting, it can also bring uncertainty, particularly for children with SEND.

At St. Chad's, we plan transitions carefully and thoughtfully. Teachers share detailed information about children's strengths, needs and successful strategies so that support continues seamlessly. Children have opportunities to meet their new teacher, spend time in their new classroom and start to become familiar with routines before the summer break. All staff make an extra effort to build individual relationships with their new pupils ahead of the summer, too.

For some pupils, additional support is provided, such as visual transition booklets or extra visits. These approaches help reduce anxiety and build confidence by making the unfamiliar feel predictable and safe.

Parents play an important role too. Sharing any concerns early allows us to tailor support and ensure children feel secure as they move forward.

#### Try this at home:

We find that talking about changes naturally, as the topic arises, can be most effective in supporting a positive transition. Talk through the changes ahead and focus on what will stay the same as well as what will be new. Reassurance and predictability can make a big difference.

## SCHOOL MEALS

Orders must be placed on [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) by 3.30pm on a Friday for the following week. If meals are not ordered a packed lunch must be provided. Thank you for all your support with this – it really makes a difference.

## LOST PROPERTY

Lost property will continue to be stored in the boxes outside of school.

We have some stocks of spare uniform so please do let school know if you need any uniform and will from time to time put this on display and please take what you need.

We will be sorting the boxes soon as our lost uniform seems to have grown considerably of late!

## PE KIT REMINDERS

Unfortunately, children are still not adhering to the PE kit uniform. We continue to see an array of coloured tops, shorts and many branded t-shirts and sweatshirts. The uniform is as follows:

- Black PE shorts/jogging bottoms
- Plain round necked t-shirt in team colours
- Plain sweatshirt in team colour, bottle green or black (no branded items).



We are still seeing colourful and branded sweatshirts. Please support with this.

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NOTE: Changes since previously issued shown in red.



## SUMMER TERM

### June 2026

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June     | 8.45am School Opens   |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June     | Multiplication Times Tables Check opens   |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June     | School Council visit to CCUA  |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June    | Year 5 Trip to Leeds Grand Mosque   |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June     | Whole School Fundraising for Candlelighters<br><u>Candlelighters   Supporting Children with Cancer &amp; Families</u> |
| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June     | Year 1 Phonics Screening Check opens  |
| w/c 8 <sup>th</sup> June        | Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 1   |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June | Reception Trip to Hesketh Farm  |
| w/c 15 <sup>th</sup> June       | Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 2   |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June   | Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am  |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June | Year 6 Trip to Saltburn   |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June  | Whole School Culture Day  |
| Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> June  | FOSC Summer Fair  |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June    | Year 4 Nell Bank Residential  |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June   | Year 4 Nell Bank Residential  |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June   | Year 6 supporting @National PE Conference (Leeds Becketts)  |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June | Year 4 Nell Bank Residential  |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June  | Nursery Sports Day (afternoon)  |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June    | Year 1 Trip to Armley Mills (provisional)   |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June    | Ralph Thoresby Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)   |
| <b>July 2026</b>                |   |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July  | Lawnswood Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)  |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July  | pm Whole School transition afternoon  |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July   | am Whole School transition morning  |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July   | Abbey Grange Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)   |



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## July 2026 (continued)

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| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July                        | Nursery Sports Day (afternoon - reserve date)  |
| Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July                          | Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon)   |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July                          | Year 3 Clarinet Concert 2.15pm   |
| Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July                       | 5pm Year 6 Production  |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July                        | 10 - 2pm Year 6 Meanwood Park  |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July                         | School Reports issued  |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July                         | Year 1 Seaside Theme Day   |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July                         | Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon - reserve date)  |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July                        | Nursery End of Year Celebration (am)   |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July                        | FOOSC Reception to Year 6 School Disco <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EYFS/KS1 2 - 3pm</li> <li>• KS2 3.15 - 4.15pm</li> </ul> |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July                      | Reception End of Year Celebration (pm)   |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July                      | Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am   |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July                      | Summer Music Celebration Event 3.30pm - Mrs Futers to share details  |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July                       | 1.45pm Leavers Service @St. Chad's Church  |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July                         | <b>1.15pm</b> Year 6 Leavers Assembly  |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July                         | School closes  |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> & Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> July | Training Days (school closed to pupils)  |