

Rooks News

**December
2019**

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Christmas at The Rookeries



Christingle Service
at St Michael's
Church

KS1 Christmas
Party



Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Concerts



Year 2 visited the Care Home and gave out
Christmas gifts.

Weekly Attendance Report

Week Commencing 16th December 2019

- Reception 93.56%
- Class 1 92.69%
- Class 1/2 93.31%
- **Class 2 97.31%**
- Class 3 90.00%
- Class 4 90.41%
- Class 5 94.83%
- Class 6 96.13%



Overall school attendance for the week 93.5%
School Target is 97%

Well done Class 2
Best Attendance this week : 97.31%

Holidays in Term Time

Research shows that regular attendance at school, coupled with prompt arrival, has a significant effect on children's educational attainment. Every day missed by a child is valuable learning time. Last year we had so many requests for holidays in term time. We appreciate it is more expensive, but please remember we cannot authorise any holidays. Since October 2017, the Pontefract Academies Trust Attendance Policy changed to include fining parents/carers. It is the Wakefield Local Authority that issues the Fines and the money goes to the Authority and not to our school.

CALENDAR 2019/20

Events at The Rookeries



JANUARY

Monday 6th INSET DAY – staff only
Tuesday 7th School opens for children
Wednesday 8th Reception Class visit to Cineworld Xscape
Tuesday 14th Choir attending Young Voices at Sheffield Arena
Thursday 16th Year 2 Road Safety - Be Bright Be Seen (in school)

Keep internet safe this Christmas – Here are some useful links below

Many children will be receiving tablets and other devices over Christmas, please support your child in being internet safe.

<https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/christmas-is-coming-so-take-control/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/advice-giving-technology-gifts-christmas>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parents-guide-technology>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

Community Events

Activities at St Michaels Church

Sunday 22nd December

5.45pm Walk of Light – carols and Christmas songs on The Green, followed by a blessing of lanterns and walk to the church for a **6.30pm carol service**

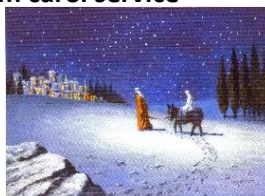
Tuesday 24th December

2.30pm Crib Service especially for parents and children

11.30pm Midnight Service

Wednesday 25th December

10.30am Christmas Eucharist



Chartwells Menu

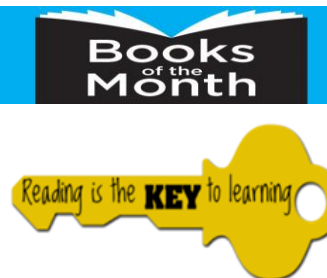


Week Commencing Monday 6th January

<u>Monday</u>	INSET DAY – staff only	
<u>Tuesday</u>	Red	Chinese Chicken Noodles
	Blue	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges
<u>Wednesday</u>	Red	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
	Blue	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
<u>Thursday</u>	Red	Beef Tortilla Pie with Rice
	Blue	Veggie Pizza Hot Dog with Potato Wedges
<u>Friday</u>	Red	Fish Fingers and Chips
	Blue	Cheese and Sweetcorn Omelette with Chips
<u>Daily</u>	Green	Jacket Potato
	Purple	Sandwiches (Ham or Cheese)



Christmasaurus and the Winter Witch
By Tom Fletcher



Twelve Doctors of Christmas
by Jacqueline Rayner