

	<p><b>ANSTON HILLCREST PRIMARY SCHOOL</b>  Hawthorne Avenue, South Anston,  Sheffield S25 5GR  Tel. 01909 550022  Headteacher: Mrs Kate Rayner  <a href="mailto:school@anstonhillcrest.org">school@anstonhillcrest.org</a></p> <p><i>“Making a difference”</i></p> <p><b>Our values are: RESPECT, RESILIENCE,  TEAMWORK, KINDNESS and ASPIRATION</b></p>	
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26<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

In 2025 Rotherham will become the world’s first Children’s Capital of Culture, they are working across Rotherham to give greater creative opportunities and development for children, young people and local communities.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024 Harthill Carnival will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The local community will come together in a special shared collaboration for this much-loved annual event. In honour of this anniversary, Children’s Capital of Culture are partnering with Harthill Carnival. They will work with local schools in the surrounding area to create and design artwork for the parade and participate in the parade itself gaining entry to the carnival and even winning some prizes!

Children’s Capital of Culture were looking to work with two more local schools to be part of this community-led creative event and sent an email around all Rotherham schools. We have been selected alongside Laughton Primary School and having spent many years at the carnival with Harthill Primary; it’s a great day out!

In school

Years 4,5,6 will be taking part in a free workshop on 4<sup>th</sup> July delivered by professional artist Chris Teal supported by the Children’s Capital of Culture (CCoC) team, who will come into school to create and design 6 banners that illustrate Anston Hillcrest- our motto, values and celebrating 50 years of carnival and our first-time taking part. These banners will be super colourful and personalised to each year group Chris will work with. The children will use graffiti, and painting skills to decorate the banners. Each board will be light enough for children to carry either side and if we secure a float, the banners can be attached to the float (or even placed to lean on the float) otherwise the plan is we will be walking in the parade through the village!

On the day

We’d love for **any of our families from across school** to come along and support us in the parade and walk with us! As it’s our 1<sup>st</sup> year of attending, I am trying to secure us a float but if not we will walk. The route will start from Firvale (top of the village at the bus turnaround) at 12:15, the floats and parade walks through the village towards Northlands (estate at the bottom) for a 10minute break and then back to Spens Field (where they gain entry to the carnival for free). There are cash prizes for the winners and runners up as well as the award of Carnival Trophies. It would be great to win one!

It's traditional that the children get dressed up for the occasion to join the parade and as we have a 'graffiti' theme, we'd love the children to come wearing bright clothes, caps, sunglasses and like popstars/ rappers. Blow up DJ decks and guitars.... Optional!

If you'd like to come and join in the fun on the parade; please meet at Firvale (parking is tricky so the estate behind the school is good) at 12pm and we will all find our places to get ready for the parade to start. We'd love as many of our families to join us and get involved although would request you stay with us for all of the walk (in charge of your own children). Miss Curle and other school staff will be there but your child would be your responsibility on the day itself. It's a long(ish) walk so drinks and snacks are needed.

As the parade enters Spens field, winning floats and parade decorations are announced and then the afternoon at the carnival is your own to enjoy! I'll be getting a burger and meeting my family 😊

If you would like to attend, please complete and return the slip below as soon as possible.

Kind regards  
Mrs Rayner  
Headteacher



My child .....in class.....

Will be taking part in **Harthill Carnival** on Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup> and I agree to meet at 12pm at Firvale and walk with the parade (unless otherwise arranged).

Signed..... Date.....

Emergency Contact number.....

Parent/guardian attending..... will bring drinks/ snacks and any other medication needed

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