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Cancellation of St Patrick's Day Parade 2026

Dear Parent / Guardian,

It is with sincere regret that we must inform you that this year's St Patrick's Day Parade (both floats & walking parade) has been cancelled. The St Patrick's Day Parade committee made the decision following their meetings with Leeds City Council.

The decision to cancel has been due to the recent changes introduced under *Martyn's Law* (the Terrorism (Protection of Premises Act) place new legal responsibilities on event organisers to ensure the safety and protection of all attendees. After a detailed review, the committee have communicated to us that they wish to review their policies, risk assessments and conduct updated training to be able to hopefully run the parade in 2027 to deliver the parade safely and in compliance with the law.

The St Patrick's Day Parade committee have said within their communication to us that they intend to still hold the entertainment as normal in Millennium Square on the Sunday as they are committed to upholding the spirit of the celebration.

Thank you for your understanding, patience, and continued support.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gibbons
Headteacher

Together in truth and faith we learn and grow as God's family

