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Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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Dates for your diary



This week...

Monday 21 July: No school clubs this week

Wednesday 23 July: Children to bring in a strong carrier bag to school (exercise books home from this day)

Thursday 24 July 1.15pm - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Thursday 24 July 5-6.30pm - Year 6 Leavers Disco

Friday 25 July - Last day of school

Details for any future events or trips will be provided nearer the time.

Summer Term

Monday 28 July - INSET (children not in school)

Tuesday 29 July - INSET (children not in school)

Wednesday 30 July - School holiday (school closed)

Term dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term

Monday 1 September - INSET (children not in school)

Tuesday 2 September - INSET (children not in school)

Wednesday 3 September - Children back to school

Friday 17 October - Last day at school

Monday 20 October - Friday 31 October - Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 3 November - INSET (children not in school)

Tuesday 4 November - Children back to school

Friday 19 December - Last day at school

Monday 22 December 2025 - Friday 2 January 2026 - Christmas holiday (school closed)

Spring Term

Monday 5 January 2026 - Children back to school

Friday 13 February - Last day at school

Monday 16 February - Friday 20 February - Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 23 February - Children back at school

Friday 27 March - Last day at school

Monday 30 March - Friday 10 April - Easter holiday (school closed)

Summer Term

Monday 13 April - Children back to school

Monday 4 May - Bank Holiday (school closed)

Thursday 21 May - Last day at school

Friday 22 May - INSET (children not in school)

Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May - Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 1 June - children back to school

Friday 24 July - Last day at school

Monday 27 July - INSET (children not in school)

Tuesday 28 July - School holiday (school closed)

Thank You!



It's hard to believe we are in the last week of this school year - it only seems 2 minutes since we started back in September! It has been another busy year and we have so many things to celebrate this year, including:

- Year 6 performance of 'Pirates of the Curry Bean!'
- The many learning showcase events the parents have attended
- The school games crew
- The friendship ambassadors
- The school council
- The Take 5 ambassadors
- The residentials
- The school visits
- Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 swimming
- All the reading certificates the children have achieved - special mention to 3H and 5N as every child achieved their Bronze Award!
- All the children being invited to attendance celebration treats...

And many many more things - there's too many to list!

As always, we are incredibly proud of all of our children. They exceed our expectations and astound us with their learning, enthusiasm and attitude to school. Throughout the year, it has been fantastic to share their learning and see the progress they have all made. Well done and thank you to every child in school for their commitment, resilience and for making us smile every day!

Thank you also to all the parents and families for your support this year. It has been lovely to see you in school for so many different events. The children thoroughly enjoy seeing you in school and they are always so proud to share their learning and achievements with you. Thank you as well for all the positive feedback and comments throughout the year - we really appreciate it. Thank you!

Thank you to all the staff in school. They have all worked so incredibly hard this year (as they do every year) to provide the best they can for our children. We hope they all get plenty of rest and relaxation over the summer holiday. Thank you for all your hard work.

We are getting ready to say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. Over the 4 years, we have created many memories with these pupils. We all wish them the very best for the next stage of their journey - good luck year 6! It is also goodbye to some of our parents and families as they leave us too (no younger siblings to attend Sherwood now or in the future). We also wish you a fond farewell and wish you all the best for the future - thank you for all your support over the years.

We wish everyone in our school community a happy and safe summer holiday.

Staffing



We would like to welcome Miss Benson-Loydall, who will be teaching in Year 5 in September - we're very excited to have you joining the Sherwood Junior School staff!

We also want to say thank you and goodbye to Mrs Brewin, as she leaves us on Wednesday 23rd July for pastures new. Mrs Brewin has taught at Sherwood Junior School for 7 years and has been a valuable member of the team. We're sure all the staff and families of Sherwood will join us in wishing her the best of luck in her new school - we know you'll be fantastic!

Year 6 Leaving Events

The end of term and the end of their time at Sherwood for the Year 6 pupils is fast approaching. We know that this is a special time for the children and we have some events planned to help make this time memorable.

Leaver's Assembly

To celebrate the Year 6's time at Sherwood, we would like to invite all the Year 6 parents/carers to a special assembly on **Thursday 24 July at 1.15pm**. This will be a celebration of their journey at Sherwood, a time to share the most memorable moments and few other surprises along the way!

If you would like to, you can take your child home after the assembly so they have time get 'party ready!'

Year 6 Leaver's Disco

To celebrate the end of their time at Sherwood - Year 6 will be having a Leaver's Disco on **Thursday 24th July**. This will be held at school in the lower hall. Children are invited to come back to school from **5:00pm-6:30pm** and dress in 'party' clothes!

REMINDER - Tickets include a disco, chip cob, drinks and treats. Your child will need to be collected from school by an adult at the end of the disco.

Important...

We understand that the children will be wanting to take photos during the disco. The children will **NOT** be allowed to use their own phones or devices during the disco. Our usual school rules about phones and devices will apply. Our school iPads will be available for them to use and we will share all the photos on our website once we have checked them to ensure they comply with the parental permissions we have in school. If we see a child using their own phone, it will be removed and a parent or carer will be asked to collect it after the disco.

Last day of school Friday 25 July - shirt signing

We know many of the children like to 'get their shirts signed' on the last day of school and we have usually facilitated this after school on the playground. However, this year we will organise some time during the school day for the children to sign shirts. Please make sure your child knows whether you give them permission to have their shirt signed as school does not accept any responsibility for children having a shirt signed against their parents' wishes. Your child may wish to bring a separate shirt to be signed instead of the one they are wearing - that's your personal choice.

We know that some parents have bought special leavers' shirts/t-shirts that have been printed. These are not part of our school uniform so we ask that children do not wear them to school in the next few days. However, we will make an exception on the last day of school. If you have bought a special 'leavers' t-shirt', your child can wear it to school on Friday 25 July as part of their uniform. If your child is wearing one, please make sure they know whether they are allowed to have it signed or if they have a different shirt to sign.

Autograph Books

Each child will be given an autograph book as a leaving gift from school during this week to collect messages from the other children in Year 6 and the staff.



Thank you Councillors and Ambassadors



As this is the final newsletter of this academic year, we'd like to say a massive THANK YOU to all the 24-25 councillors and ambassadors.

Whether a school councillor, friendship ambassador or a take 5 ambassador, they have been a fantastic help to both pupils and adults this year. They have done a wonderful job representing and helping their peers and have made many positive changes.

Well done to you all- you have been AMAZING and Mrs Seals has really enjoyed working with you all this year!

Pupils of Sherwood - do remember that if you are currently in Years 3, 4 or 5, you could take on one of these roles next year - start thinking about how you could make a difference to our school!

Mount Cook - What a trip!

Once again, our children showed us exactly what being 'Sherwood through and through' truly means!

Every single one of our Year 6 pupils who attended not only challenged themselves to new experiences, they pushed themselves to new levels and found skills and passions they didn't know they had in them before, but they also modelled the most impeccable behaviour throughout their stay. Manners and a great sense of humour made them all a huge hit with the instructors and staff. They climbed the high ropes, took flight on the leap of faith, soared down the zip wire, conquered the via feratta and mastered many team challenges through fine-tuned teamwork and excellent communication. For us as staff, it was a delight watching them take part and sharing a new side of them that we may not have seen in the classroom before.

Confidences blossomed, smiles were beaming and the energy within each group was electric; we had the BEST time!

We hope that the memories they made over their visit, stay with them for a lifetime and that it's opened their eyes to try new experiences and push their boundaries.

Well done Year 6 - you did yourselves proud!











HAF (Holiday Activity and Food Scheme)

The Warsop Health Hub are thrilled to be teaming up with Nottinghamshire County Council and the Department of Education to provide the HAF scheme to local children in our local community over the summer break.

The scheme is available throughout the summer holiday, starting on **Tuesday 5th August** until **Friday 29th August**, and is available for children who receive Free School Meals between the ages of 5 - 11 years old.

Sessions run from 10am until 2pm.

What will HAF include?

Your little one's will be developing their communication and teamwork skills through playing sports, games and falling in love with new hobbies through arts and crafts. Don't forget lunch is included so your little ones will be fuelled up and raring to go.

Don't miss out, you can sign up by following the link below.

[HAF at Warsop Health Hub with More Leisure Community Trust/Serco Leisure · Eegu](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAFactivities)

Please see the attached flyers for more information regarding who can access the HAF clubs and those available in the local area.

Get ready for a new adventure

Spring Summer Autumn Winter

To sign up for holiday activities during the Spring (Easter), Summer, Autumn (October) and Winter (Christmas) breaks, visit:
[Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAFactivities](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAFactivities)

You can search by postcode to find activities in your area or view the list of providers and the type of activity they offer.

Find out more or contact us:

[Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAFprogramme](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAFprogramme)
 0115 9774 999 (line opens 10am-5pm, Monday to Friday)
haf@notfsec.gov.uk

Sign up NOW!

Laser tag is epic and I think I'm Addicted!
 Karting is woooooahhh the best thing ever. Can't wait to come back!

Nottinghamshire
Holiday activities and food

Find out about **FUNDED** school holiday activities and food for eligible children and young people in Notts!

If your child is:

- 5-16 years old (4 if in school Reception)
- lives in Nottinghamshire, and
- receives benefits-related free school meals

Then they are eligible for **FUNDED** school activities and food this school holiday!

Your adventure starts here...

Funded by
 Nottinghamshire County Council
 Department for Education

The Nottinghamshire holiday activities and food (HAF) programme is here to help children to stay active and happy during the school holidays. HAF can also help families with parents who need to work, or have other people to look after.

What is the holiday activities and food (HAF) programme?

We make sure children and young people have access to fun activities and meals during school holidays. They can get involved in a variety of face-to-face activities ranging from sports, to drama, and crafts. Each day they attend, they will be provided with a meal and healthy snacks.

HAF does not offer food vouchers, all activities are face-to-face with food included.

Who can take part?

Children and young people **5-16 years** (4 if in school Reception), **must be receiving benefits-related free school meals** to qualify for a place.

If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals but not currently receiving them, you can apply here:
[gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals](https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals)

What kinds of things can children do?

There are lots of fun activities to choose from, such as sport, dance, drama, crafts, cooking, forest school and day trips out to local attractions.

All activities run for a minimum of 4 hours each day (2.5 hours for 11-16 years).

The HAF team can also help to signpost families to other support services, some of these services can be found here:
[Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/FinancialSupport](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/FinancialSupport)

Some amazing HAF feedback

From the parents:

Thank you for our visit to Nottingham castle. We had a fantastic time. When we got home we looked at the prices of admission and food. We couldn't believe it and it really gave us an opportunity that we would never be able to have as we wouldn't have that money spare. The crafts really made their day as well, they are very proud of everything they have made. My husband was worried that we would be treated differently to other visitors and the children singled out, but this was not the case at all. Inclusion seemed very important, and everyone was so friendly and laid back.

From the kids:

My kids haven't stopped raving about this! It's been brilliant! Thank you so much for hosting!

Just been karting. A dream come true

I'm covered in glitter and I loved it!

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Funded School
Holiday Club places
Age 4 to 14

Register and
Book Online Today

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Activities Include:
| Arts 'n' Crafts |
| Mental Health Awareness |
| Exploring the World in Sport and Activity |
| Summer Fun and Activities |
| Baking for Kids | Glow Sports |

For more information: **Contact Us haf@tbsport.uk or 01664 668 644**
Summer Holiday Clubs funded by Nottinghamshire County Council are taking place in
the Rushcliffe, Gedling, Mansfield, Broxtowe, Newark and Ashfield Districts.



Warsop Health Hub

10am– 2pm

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday throughout August

Ages 5-11 in receipt of free school meals

FREE activities including arts, crafts, sport, games.

Lunch included

Book at



<https://eequ.org/book/haf-at-warsop-health-hub-with-more-leisure-community-trustsarea-leisure-13141>

MLCT More Leisure
Community Trust

Tea Party

Well done to this academic year's final group of Tea Party winners - you're all superstars!

Children receive a certificate, a treat and then attend a 'Tea Party' to have a drink, a treat and play games - how exciting!

3H Lily-May - For her beautiful presentation across her books and for her progress

3M Sam - For always having a super attitude towards his work

4B Amelia - For a respectful battle of the drums during our music performance and winning gracefully

4S Lottie - For always being respectful to all children and adults this year - a fantastic role model to all

5B Phoebe - For an amazing attitude, great growth mind-set and being an all-round lovely person

5N Ellis and Harrison - For both making a huge effort to be tolerant, showing resilience and for trying

6P Pippa - For always having a positive attitude and approach to everything she does and having wonderful manners

6B Casie - For being very respectful and mature during Year 6's Science and RSHE lessons last week



Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was **91.5%**

We monitor the children's attendance every day and will contact parents where there are concerns. If your child is unwell, please contact the school office to inform us of your child's absence.

Last week's attendance winners were:

- 1st: - **5N 95.2% Superb!**
- 2nd - **4S 95.1% Wonderful!**
- 3rd - **3H 93.1% Fabulous!**

Golden Tickets

Golden tickets are awarded by our senior leaders (Mrs Simpson, Mrs Bradbury, Mrs Seals & Mrs C Jackson) to individuals, groups or the whole class for demonstrating our school core values, including their attitude to learning and behaviour. Each senior leader has 20 golden tickets to present each week. Each class collects their golden tickets and a weekly total is shared in assembly. The overall scores are displayed on our leader board in the upper hall. The class with the most golden tickets at the end of the half-term receives £30 to spend on a treat!

Well done to **3H** for being last week's golden ticket winners and achieving an amazing **7** golden tickets each!

However, **3M** are the overall winners and therefore will receive this half term's £30 prize - **Congratulations!**



Reading Awards

Well done to these children for earning their **SILVER** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Lily-Grace

Well done to these children for earning their **Diamond** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Annie & Ellie

Well done to these children for earning their **GOLD** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Charlie & Bobby

Well done to these children for earning their **PLATINUM** Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Ivy

Well done to these children for earning their **RUBY** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Isla

Well done to these children for earning their **EMERALD** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 5: Lillie

Well done to these children for earning their **SAPPHIRE** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 5: Evelyn & Bella

Well done to these children for earning their **PEARL** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 5: Josie & Jacob

Well done to these children for earning their **OPAL** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 5: Sophie

Well done to these children for earning their **GARNET** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: George

Year 4: Kayla

Well done to these children for earning their **JADE** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

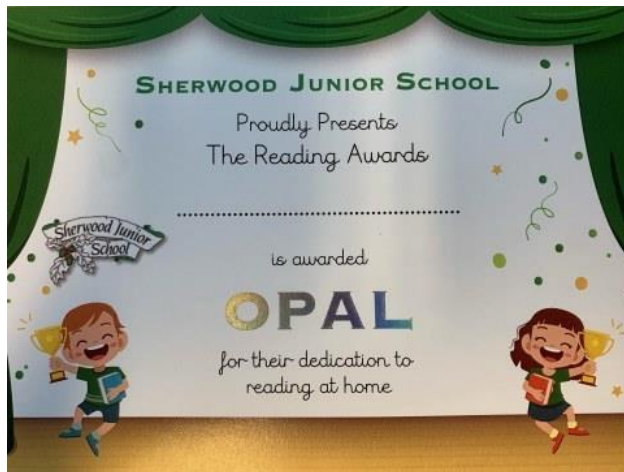
Year 3: Jack











This week our joke comes from Mrs C Jackson.

Q: Why did the teacher wear sunglasses on the last day of school?

A: Because her students were so bright!

This Week's School Dinner Menu

We encourage the children to look at the menu at home with their adults, to discuss what they might choose each day so that if they do not like the menu or jacket potato option on a particular day, they can bring a packed lunch.

Week 2 Menu - 21st July - 24th July

Party Day Menu - 25th July

My School Menu
Spring/Summer 2025

Week 2
Week commencing
28 April, 19 May,
9 June, 30 June,
21 July, 8 Sept,
29th Sept

Taco Tuesdays

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pork meatballs Egg Gluten in a tomato sauce with pasta shape of the day Gluten Soya Mustard & roasted mediterranean vegetables	BBQ Chicken taco Gluten with jewelled rice, carrot & cucumber sticks	Bangers & mash Gluten Sulphur Dioxide with seasonal vegetables & gravy <small>featuring our Nottinghamshire sausage from local butchers Mooney's</small>	Roasted gammon with jacket wedges, roasted summery vegetables & gravy	Fish finger cob Fish Gluten Sesame with oven chips, baked beans & peas
Option 2	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed salad
Pudding	Gingerbread cookies Gluten	Pancakes Gluten Milk Egg & honey	Butterscotch shortcake Milk Gluten	Cherry iced bun Gluten Egg Milk Soya	Strawberry fairy cake Egg Gluten

Available daily: Best of both bread Gluten Soya & fresh fruit



The menus can be also be found on our website [School Dinners | Sherwood Junior School](#)

Contact Us



To report a child's absence 01623 842545 phone school and leave a message on the absence line or speak to the school office.

Please note, the school office email should not be used to report an absence.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the school office.

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