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Dates for your diary



This week...

Tuesday 29 September - 4H library visit

Next week...

Monday 5 October 3.30pm-6pm - Parents' Evening

Tuesday 6 October 3.30pm-6pm - Parents' Evening

Tuesday 6 October - 5S Library Visit

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

Autumn term 2026-2027

Monday 12 October - deadline for World of Wonder poetry competition

Tuesday 13 October - 5P Library Visit

Tuesday 13 October - Parent RSHE meeting 2:30

Friday 16 October - Flu Vaccinations

Friday 16 October - last day at school

Monday 19 October to Friday 30 October - Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 2 November - children back to school

Tuesday 10 November - 3M Library Visit

Monday 16 November - Year 6 Parent SATs meeting 2:30pm

Tuesday 17 November - 6BL Library Visit

Tuesday 24 November - 6B Library Visit

Wednesday 2 December - Christmas Fayre

Thursday 10 December - Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 10 December - Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 15 December - Christmas Performance

Wednesday 16 December - Christmas Performance

Thursday 17 December - Christmas Party Day

Friday 18 December - Carols in the playground

Friday 18 December - last day at school

Monday 19 December to Friday 1 January - Christmas holiday (school closed)

Spring term

Monday 4 January 2027 - children back to school

Friday 12 February - last day at school

Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February - Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 22 February - INSET (children not at school)

Tuesday 23 February - children back to school

Monday 15 March - Tuesday 16 March - Year 4 Residential: Sherwood Forest

Thursday 25 March - last day at school

Friday 26 March to Friday 9 April - Easter holiday (school closed)

Summer term

Monday 12 April - children back to school

Monday 3 May - Bank Holiday (school closed)

Tuesday 25 - Wednesday 26 May - Year 5 Residential: The Mill Adventure

Friday 28 May - last day at school

Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June - half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 7 June - children back to school

Monday 5 July to Wednesday 7 July - Year 6 Residential: Hagg Farm

Friday 23 July - last day at school

Monday 26 July - INSET (children not at school)

Tuesday 27 July - INSET (children not at school)

Wednesday 28 July - INSET (children not at school)

Thursday 29 July - school holiday (school closed)



We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Mrs Seals is expecting a baby. Congratulations to Mrs Seals and her family on this exciting time. She is now approaching the halfway point of her pregnancy, and we are thrilled for her.

We understand that parents may have questions regarding arrangements for Class 5S during Mrs Seals' maternity leave. Please be assured that we are currently making plans and will communicate these with parents in due course. We will provide further information about teaching arrangements for the class as soon as they are confirmed.

Thank you for your support.

What's your child learning this term?

Year 3

In the Autumn term, we are looking at how Britain changed from the Stone Age through to the Iron Age. Our artwork also links to our History learning, as we are exploring cave art.

In Science, we are focusing on different types of rocks and soils and enjoying exploring their properties. We are also starting to learn some French phrases, which will help us to talk about ourselves and others in French.

In English, we are doing some work based on *Stone Age Boy* and will also be looking at *How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth*.

The Year 3s are settling in so well, and we are very proud of them!

Year 3

Year 4

This year, our History theme is 'Who invaded Britain when?' This term, we are looking specifically at the Romans, exploring why they came to Britain, why they settled here and the impact they have had on our lives today. We will also be looking at the differences between primary and secondary sources, building on our learning from Year 3.

In Science, our topic is Electricity, and we are thoroughly enjoying making circuits.

Throughout the term, we are studying 'Life as a Journey' in R.E. In RSHE, we have started our updated curriculum, which is all about keeping safe and making good choices.

The first half term is our turn at Forest School. Next half term, we will be working with Big Warsop and Mansfield Museum, including welcoming visitors into school in November. This will build on our work around our story, *The Iron Man*. We are really enjoying the story and exploring it further in our Guided Reading and English sessions.

There is certainly lots to do and plenty to get involved in!

Year 4

Year 5

Year 5 have an exciting and busy term ahead! Our History learning focuses on World War Two. Whilst we will be finding out how the war began and where it took place, we will take a closer look at how the war affected Britain and the lives of people living here at the time.

Our History learning links closely with our work in English. We will be reading *Once* and using the story to inspire our own writing. This will include writing a diary from Felix's perspective, as well as developing our skills through discussion texts.

In Art, we will continue our World War Two theme by exploring propaganda posters before designing and creating our own. In Design and Technology, we will turn our attention to food, using seasonal vegetables to prepare and cook our own soup.

In Science, our topic is Properties and Changes of Materials. We will be investigating the properties of different materials and developing our scientific skills through plenty of practical exploration and investigation.

There is lots to discover this term, and we are looking forward to seeing Year 5 immerse themselves in their learning!

Year 5

Year 6

In Year 6, we will be exploring the Ancient Greeks through our topic, 'Who Let the Gods Out?' We will discover the wonders of Greek mythology, find out what it was like to live in Ancient Greece and learn about the Trojan War.

We will also explore the Ancient Greeks' love of sculpture through our artwork and discover their amazing food in Design and Technology. This will include making Greek hummus and tasting an array of traditional Greek foods.

Other areas of learning include coding and creating our own games using Kodu, as well as learning about 'Where We Live!' in French. In Music, we will be learning to sing in unison to the song *Happy* by Pharrell Williams.

In RSHE, we are focusing on our new topic, 'Think Positive'. This will include an exciting trip to the One Call Stadium, where we will take part in wellbeing workshops hosted by staff and coaches from Mansfield Town Football Club.

Ooh la la, there is so much happening in Year 6 this term. We are going to be very busy!

YEAR 6

Parent Governor Vacancy



We have emailed all parents with important information about a Parent Governor vacancy on our Governing Body. This is a fantastic opportunity to play an active role in shaping the future of Sherwood Junior School and helping to support the education of all our children.

You do not need a background in education to apply. We are looking for parents who are enthusiastic, committed, and willing to contribute their skills and experiences to support the strategic leadership of the school.

If you are interested, please look out for the email from school which contains full details about the role, eligibility criteria, and the nomination process. Nominations must be submitted by 10.00am on Monday 5 October 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office or speak to the Headteacher.

Parent/Carer Conduct



At Sherwood Junior School we are very fortunate to have supportive and friendly parents and carers, who recognise and understand the importance of a good, open and positive working relationship and partnership between home and school.

We would like to remind all parents, carers and visitors to our school about our expected code of conduct.

In order to ensure a peaceful and safe school environment, the school **will not tolerate** parents, carers or visitors who exhibit the following:

- Disruptive, aggressive or threatening behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of a classroom, an employee's office or any other area of the school grounds including after school activities. Examples could include using offensive language /any form of swearing / verbal abuse/ threatening emails /texts/phone calls, displaying temper /threatening to do actual bodily harm / displaying physical aggression including the threat and act of assault or making excessive and repetitive contact with staff in a manner that causes distress or disrupts their ability to carry out their duties. *Excessive contact includes repeated calls, emails or messages beyond reasonable expectations.*
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss with them or to reprimand them because of their actions towards their own child. Such an approach may be seen as an assault on that child and may have legal consequences.
- Smoking and consumption of alcohol and drugs on the school site.

We would also expect parents and visitors to our school to use mobile phones sensibly and sensitively. This includes use around staff and children – in particular, taking photographs or recording for any reason without permission. If we believe a parent or visitor on our school site is using their phone inappropriately, they may be challenged by school staff. Parents, carers and visitors must not record any meeting (including in-person or virtual) unless all participants have given their explicit consent beforehand. This is to protect privacy, comply with data protection regulations and maintain a respectful environment for open discussion. Unauthorised recording may result in further action by the school.

Should any of the above behaviour occur on our school premises, the school may feel it necessary to contact the appropriate authorities and, if necessary, ban the offending adult from entering the school grounds.

Parents / Carers are discouraged from making inappropriate comments on social media sites in relation to the school and its staff.

Social media posts or comments which could be potentially inappropriate or damaging to the reputation of the school or individual will be taken seriously and could lead to the school taking legal advice. This could include:

- Communication with the intent of causing harassment, alarm or distress
- Spreading malicious rumours
- Reinforcing untruths about members of staff
- Making personal attacks about a member of staff
- Making threats towards a member of staff

A detailed copy of our code of conduct can be found on the school website [General Information About School | Sherwood Junior School](#).

We would like to gently remind parents/carers that while we are very fortunate to have a dedicated, hardworking, and caring staff team, staff also balance a wide range of professional responsibilities alongside their own personal commitments.

Staff will always endeavour to communicate, respond to concerns, and follow up on matters as promptly as possible. However, the school day is extremely busy, and time is limited. Please be assured that queries, including phone calls and messages, will be addressed as soon as reasonably possible. We appreciate your understanding and continued support in working together respectfully and constructively for the benefit of all our children.

The Big Future Survey

We want to encourage all of our pupils to take part in **The Big Future**, a national survey led by the **Children's Commissioner for England**.

The survey gives children and young people the opportunity to share their views about their lives, experiences and hopes for the future. The information collected will help build a national picture of what matters most to children today and will be used to ensure that their voices are heard by Government.

The survey is quick and easy to complete, taking just a few minutes, and we would be very grateful for your support in helping your child take part.

 **Complete the survey here:**

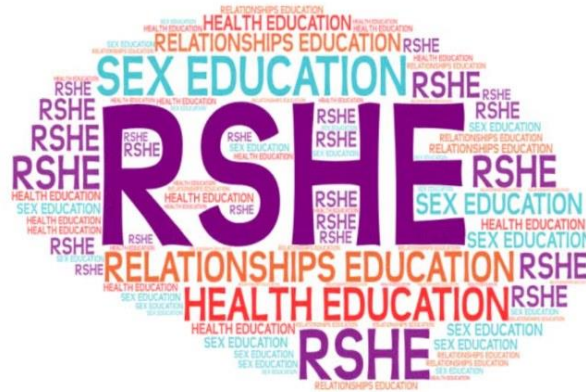
[The Big Future Survey](#)

Every child's voice matters, and this is a valuable opportunity for our pupils to share their thoughts and help shape decisions that affect children across England.

Thank you for supporting your child to take part. Together, we can help ensure that the views of children in our community are heard.



RSHE Meeting



From September 2026, we will be introducing our updated Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) curriculum.

To help parents and carers learn more about the changes and how RSHE is taught at Sherwood Junior School, we would like to invite you to an information meeting on **Tuesday 13 October at 2:30pm**.

This will be an opportunity to learn about the updated curriculum, ask questions and see what RSHE looks like in our school.

If you would like to attend, please come to the school reception, where I will meet you.

Thank you in advance to everyone who is able to join us. I look forward to seeing you there.

Mykela Horton

RSHE Lead

Warsop Library Turns 70!



We're 70

Enter our drawing competition!

A lot has changed in 70 years, and that makes us wonder... what will the next 70 bring?

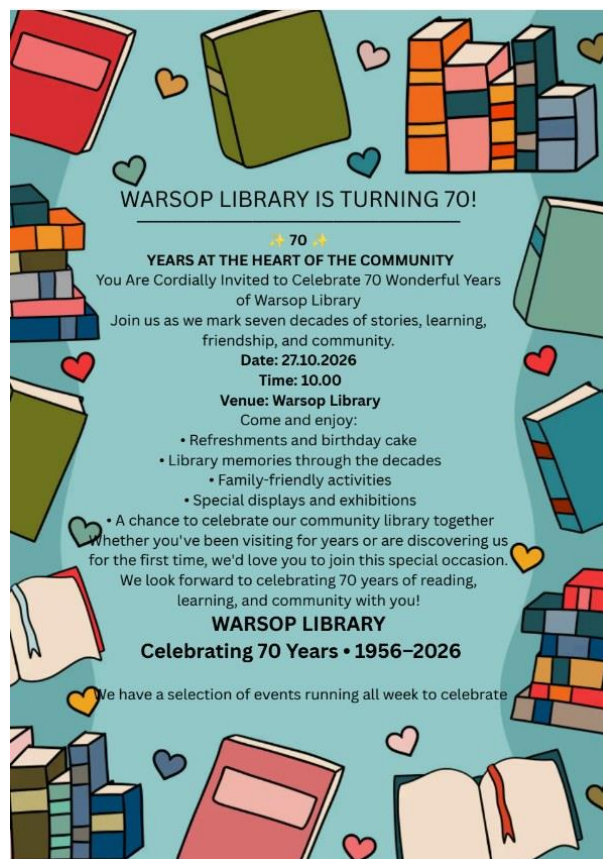
Draw your vision for Warsop Library in 2096 and enter our competition to win a special prize!

Pick up an entry sheet, get creative, then hand it in to a member of staff to enter. Don't forget to leave your name and contact number so we can contact our winner!

Competition open until Friday 16 October.
For children aged 5-12.

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WARSOP LIBRARY IS TURNING 70!

70 YEARS AT THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

You Are Cordially Invited to Celebrate 70 Wonderful Years of Warsop Library

Join us as we mark seven decades of stories, learning, friendship, and community.

Date: 27.10.2026
Time: 10.00
Venue: Warsop Library

Come and enjoy:

- Refreshments and birthday cake
- Library memories through the decades
- Family-friendly activities
- Special displays and exhibitions

• A chance to celebrate our community library together

Whether you've been visiting for years or are discovering us for the first time, we'd love you to join this special occasion.

We look forward to celebrating 70 years of reading, learning, and community with you!

WARSOP LIBRARY
Celebrating 70 Years • 1956–2026

We have a selection of events running all week to celebrate

Warsop Library is turning 70, and everyone is invited to join the celebrations!

Please take a look at the invitation included with this newsletter to find out more about the special events taking place.

There is also an exciting **drawing competition** for children to enter. Full details and instructions can be found on the competition poster.

 **Entry forms are available from:**

- The school reception foyer
- Warsop Library

Please note that completed entries **must be returned directly to Warsop Library** by the deadline stated on the competition information.

We hope many of our pupils will take part and help celebrate this fantastic milestone in our local community!

School Council Elections



We are so proud to announce that we have a brand new team of School Councillors for 2026-27!

Congratulations to:

Emmie & Max - Year 3

Lucas & Billy - Year 4

Isla & Bella - Year 5

Miah & Amelia - Year 6

Mrs Bradbury can not wait to start working with this wonderful team of children.

Times Tables Rockstars

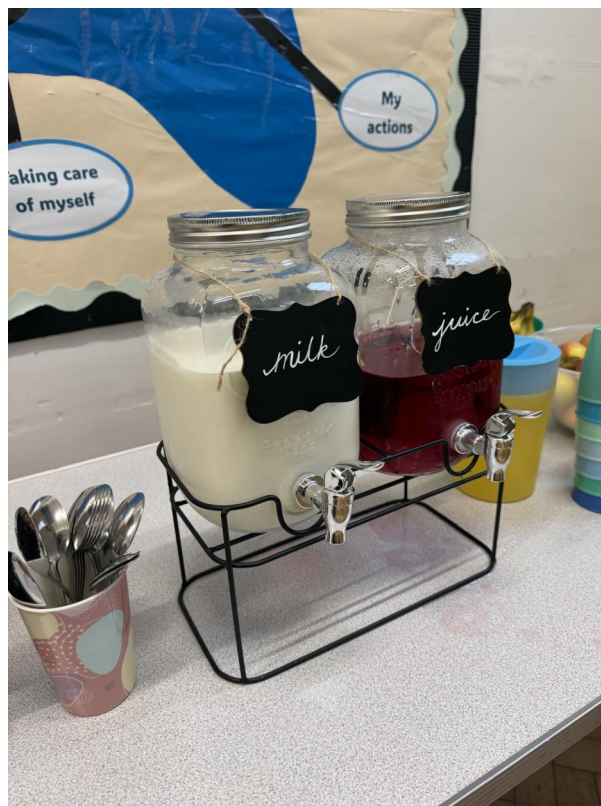


Now the new year is in full swing, our TTRS tournaments are back up and running! The battles have recommenced. Whether the children are battling class vs class, girls vs boys or year group vs year group, there will be a lot happening to keep the children focused.

As a reminder to pupils and parents/carers, every child is expected to log on and engage with their times tables at least 3 times a week (15 minutes a week). Times tables knowledge and quick recall is the an essential fundamental skill that remains ever prominent no matter what year group they are in. Knowing your times table facts unlock so much more learning. So, the more fluent our children are, the more fluent and confident they are in maths lessons.

As always, we thank you all parents and carers for your ongoing support and we look forward to seeing what our little rockstars achieve this year!

Breakfast Club





Reminder - We now offer a **FREE breakfast club** for **all children**, starting **30 minutes before school**.

Details

 **Time:** From **8.15am**

 **Arrival window:** Children **must arrive between 8.15am and 8.25am**

 Children **will not be admitted after 8.25am**

 **Food available:** Toast, cereal, fruit and juice

 **No booking required** – just turn up!

 Children who already attend our usual *paid* Breakfast Club from **7.30am** will automatically be included in the *free* breakfast provision from **8.15am**.

Normal booking via ParentPay is still required for attendance between **7.30am and 8.15am**.

Please contact the school office if you have any questions about payments

Sports Achievements

This week, we would like to congratulate Ralphie on achieving his 5m swimming award and Emmie on her Level 8 in Vault!

Well done!



If your child has a swimming certificate, dance award, gymnastics award, a new belt in judo, anything at all related to being active, we would love for them to share it with us and we will celebrate them in our newsletter.

Golden Tickets



Golden tickets are awarded by our Senior Leaders (Mrs Stevens, Mrs Burton, Mrs Naylor, Mrs Bradbury & Mrs Seals) to individuals, groups or the whole class for demonstrating our school core values, including their attitude to learning and behaviour. Each of the 5 staff members have 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 **£50** to spend on a treat!

Well done to **4H & 4B** for being golden ticket winners for this week and achieving an amazing **5** golden tickets!

Well done to **6BL** who were the overall winners for the £50 prize!

Attendance



The overall attendance for the last week was **93.2%**

158 pupils had 100% attendance during last week - amazing work Sherwood!

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: 6BL - 97.6%

2nd: 5S - 95.4%

3rd: 4H - 93%

Recent Illness or Concern

Information on what to look for and when and where to seek help if you're concerned about an illness that your child may have recently developed (NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Health and Care)

[Child 5 - 11 Years](#)

Too ill to attend school?

Please see the NHS school checklist poster for a quick guide of when to keep your child off school

[Should I keep my child off school checklist poster](#)

Pharmacy first Minor ailment

Here's a reminder about the Pharmacy First Minor Ailment information. It covers the ailments that can be assessed and treated, if needed within the pharmacy without the need for a GP appointment usually on the same day (unless the condition is particularly severe or complex) enabling the child to return to school sooner than waiting for an appointment, starting antibiotic treatment more quickly if needed or offering over the counter medication to enable the condition to be eased and facilitate return to school.

Use the link below to find pharmacies in the area providing the services.

<https://pharmacyfirstnottinghamshire.com/>



Tea Party

Well done to this week's 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!

Every week, our Class Teachers celebrate pupils who shine by demonstrating our Core Values—Accountability, Resilience, and Respect. Winners might show these qualities in their learning, during play or through their consistent attitude all week. It's our way of recognising and rewarding those special moments that make our school community thrive!

3M Grayson K - being **resilient** and **accountable** in his work and attitude to school.

4H Reavie-Mai - for **resilience** and **accountability** in her learning. So proud!

4B Lucas - **accountability** in his learning.

5S George - for taking **accountability** for his learning during our school trip to the Holocaust Centre!

5P Lily-May - **resilience**, taking part, hand up, active learning! A great improvement!

6B Lily - for her consistent level of **respect** and maturity in school.

6BL Stanley - for taking **accountability** in writing and constantly trying to improve it.



Reading Awards

We would like to encourage all children to read regularly at home and work towards earning our exciting **Reading Awards Certificates**.

The first milestone is the **Bronze Reading Award**, which is achieved by completing **25 reads at home**. Each time your child reads, this should be recorded in their **reading diary** and signed by an adult. A member of staff will check reading diaries each week and keep track of your child's progress towards their award.

Regular reading at home helps children develop their confidence, fluency and love of books. Thank you for your support in helping your child on their reading journey. We look forward to celebrating lots of Bronze Award winners this term! 🌟📖









Birthday Books

Happy birthday and happy reading to the following children:

Year 4 - Jude and Lewy

Year 5 - Bobby B and Harper

Year 6 - Sophie and Stanley



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.

This week...

Please see the 'Week 2' menu for week beginning 28 September.

WEEK COMMENCING					WEEK 2
AUTUMN-WINTER MENU 2026/27					
7 th September 28 th September 9 th November 30 th November 11 th January 1 st February	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Cheesy peany pasta (v) Gluten Milk Mustard Soya with garlic bread (ve) Gluten Milk Soya & peas	Cheese & tomato Pizzai (v) Gluten Milk Soya with oven chips (ve) & crunchy vegetable sticks	Notts-so-silly sausage dution Sulphur Glutide with Yorkshire pudding (v) Gluten Egg Milk, roast potatoes, (ve) cauliflower, green beans & gravy (ve)	Chicken meatballs in a rich tomato sauce (v) with spaghetti (ve) Gluten Mustard Soya & sweetcorn	Fish fingers all wrapped up Gluten Fish potato wedges, (ve) sweetcorn & baked beans
Red Option	Served daily Jacket potato: with cheese milk and beans or tuna mayo Fish Egg & vegetable sticks				
Blue Option	Bread & spread (ve) Gluten Soya, Fresh fruit				
Pudding	Golden cherry flapjack (ve) Gluten Sulphur Phosphate	Chocolate cake (v) Gluten Egg Milk & chocolate sauce (v) Milk	Soft scoop ice cream (v) Milk & raspberry sauce	Crunchy ginger biscuit (ve) Gluten	The classic Cornflake tart (v) Gluten & custard (v) Milk

Please see 'Week 3' menu for week beginning 5 October

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

Contact Us



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