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## Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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Dates for your diary



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*This week...*

***Monday 28 April - Class Photographs***

***Tuesday 29 April - School clubs available to reserve a place on ParentPay***

***Tuesday 29 April 3.20pm - Y5 residential meeting for parents***

***Friday 2 May - Y4 Trip to Bestwood Park***

*Next week...*

*Monday 5 May - Bank Holiday (school closed)*

*Tuesday 6 May - School clubs start*

*Thursday 8 May 3.20pm - Y6 residential meeting for parents*

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

**Summer Term**

**Monday 12 to Thursday 15 May** - Y6 SATs Week

**Friday 16 May 2.15pm** - Y6 Rounders Parent's Event

**Monday 19 May** - Y3 trip to White Post Farm

**Wednesday 21 May** - Y5 trip to the National Space Centre

**Thursday 22nd May** - Y6 trip to the Palace Theatre

**Friday 23 May** - Last day of school

**Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May** - Half term holiday (school closed)

**Monday 2 June** - Children back to school

**Thursday 12 June** - Year 3/4 Father's Day breakfast

**Friday 13 June** - Year 5/6 Father's Day breakfast

**Tuesday 17 June & Wednesday 18 June:** Year 5 residential Mill Adventure Base

**Wednesday 25 June 2pm** - Year 6 performance 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'

**Thursday 26 June 2pm & 5pm** - Year 6 performance 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'

**Monday 30 June & Tuesday 1 July** - Transition days

**Wednesday 2 July** - Day of sports and family picnic

**Wednesday 16 July - Friday 18 July:** Year 6 residential Mount Cook

**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

**Monday 28 July** - INSET (children not in school)

**Tuesday 29 July** - INSET (children not in school)

**Wednesday 30 July** - School holiday (school closed)

## Clubs



If your child would like to join one of our AMAZING clubs this term you will need to sign up them up via Parent Pay. All clubs will go live on Parent Pay on Tuesday 29th April. You will need to select the clubs you would like your child to attend and complete all the information. There will be a select number of places available for each club, once all places have been filled you will no longer be able to apply.

If you have selected the club and completed the information your child has a confirmed place.

All after school clubs will finish at 4.15pm.

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### Monday

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**Fun Fit – Start of the day - Monday, Wednesday and Thursday**

INVITE ONLY with Mrs Jackson (not available on ParentPay)

Fun Fit is designed to help improve children's co-ordination and balance. The exercises can help to improve hand-eye co-ordination, body awareness and spatial awareness. Improving these skills can help with handwriting, balancing activities and sitting in class.

Top Hall at 8:50am

### **Digital Leaders - Lunchtime**

Existing digital leaders only (Year 5 and 6) with Mrs Burton (not available on ParentPay)

The digital leaders are invited to join Mrs Burton on a Monday lunchtime for all things computing, including: learning coding and experimentation with Micro:Bits, helping with the computing equipment and learning about online safety.

Mrs Burton's room at 12:00pm

### **Colouring – Lunchtime**

Year 3 with Mrs White ***Reserve your space on ParentPay***

Enjoy colouring whilst relaxing with your peers. Use a variety of different techniques to develop your skills.

Year 3 Learning Support Room at 12:30pm

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Tuesday

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### **Duolingo - Lunchtime**

All year groups with Miss Payne ***Reserve your space on ParentPay***

Learning languages with Duolingo is fun, and research show that it works! With quick, bite-sized lessons which include speaking, listening and writing, children earn points and gain real-world communication skills in a language of their choice. An ideal opportunity for language lovers to expand their knowledge and understanding of the many different languages spoken around the world.

Meet in Miss Payne's Room

### **Girls Football – After school**

All year groups with Mrs Jackson, Mrs Bradbury and Coach Lee ***Reserve your space on ParentPay***

Our highly successful girls football will be continuing this term where we will be focusing on working towards some inter-school friendly matches and enhancing key skills and techniques. All children will need to apply for their place, regardless if they are an existing member.

As a reminder trainers are expected so please bring them to change into but we do not ask or require the children to change out of uniform.

Meet in the bottom hall

### **Gardening – After school - Tuesday and Thursday**

This club is open to existing members only (not available on ParentPay)

The main objective of Gardening Club is for all members to be involved in the process of vegetables being produced from seeds to their plate. Throughout the seasons the group will: prepare the land, plant seeds/seedlings for around 14 different vegetables, weed, water and nurture the growth. During the Summer months they will harvest and take home their crop.

All existing members are expected to return. If your child no longer wishes to attend, then please notify the office as soon as possible.

Meet Mrs Johnson in the Year 4 Learning Support Room

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**Wednesday**

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### **School Games - Lunchtime**

Year 5 and 6 (INVITE ONLY) with Mrs Bradbury (not available on ParentPay)

Our Sports Leaders will be continuing to see our school to another Gold Award with the inclusion of our brand new Year 5 leaders joining us! We've got a lot to organise so we'll be

very busy therefore, some sessions may need to take place after school however a text will be sent in advance to notify if this will be taking place.

Mrs Bradbury's room at 12:00pm

### **Homework – Lunchtime**

Open invite to all year groups with Mrs Hough-Lang and Mrs Bonsell **No need to reserve a space, just turn up!** (not available on ParentPay)

Have you run out of time to do your homework? Not had chance to read or develop your times tables skills on TT Rockstars? Then pop along to our Homework Club at Wednesday Lunchtimes.

Year 5 Learning Support Room, all Lunchtime

### **Netball - After School**

Year 5 and 6 with Mrs Naylor **Reserve your space on ParentPay**

Are you ready to sharpen your skills, build your fitness, and enjoy the sunshine while playing one of the most exciting team sports out there? Netball Club is starting for the summer term, and we'd love for you to join us on court! Whether you're looking to develop skills, stay active, or just enjoy some time with friends outdoors, Netball Club is the perfect way to end your school day.

Meet in Mrs Naylor's Room

### **Film - After School**

All year groups with Mrs Seals **Reserve your space on ParentPay**

Film Club is a great way to make new friends who share an interest in films. Come and join Mrs Seals' to share and enjoy children's films from around the world.

Mrs Seals' Room

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**Thursday**

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### **Get your body moving – Lunchtime**

Year 5 and 6 with Miss White ***Reserve your space on ParentPay***

Are you in year 5 or 6 and find yourself with an extra burst of energy? Do you love listening to music? Then come along to our club and Get your body moving!

Top Hall at 12:00pm

### **Cricket – After School**

Year 5 and 6 with Mrs Bonsell and Daniel ***Reserve your space on ParentPay***

Do you enjoy cricket? Have you ever wondered how to play cricket? Did you know we have LOTS of cricket clubs local to us? Well this half term is your opportunity to learn the basics of cricket, play some matches and have lots of fun! Trainers will be required but otherwise children will remain in school uniform.

Bottom Hall

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Friday

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### **Book Club – Lunchtime**

Year 5 and 6 with Mrs Horton ***Reserve your space on ParentPay***

Are you in Y5 or Y6? Do you love reading? Do you love talking about books? Do you want to relax and read at lunchtime? If so, come along on to book club.

Mrs Horton's Room at 12.30pm

### **Lego – Lunchtime**

INVITE ONLY Year 3 and 4 with Mrs Murphy (not available on ParentPay)

Lego Club is an opportunity to use your imagination, work with others and have fun. Come along and use your imagination to create your designs in Lego. Due to the popularity of this club, we will initially be inviting those children who have previously been on the waiting list.

Mrs Murphy's Room at 12:30pm

## Year 6 SATs Week



SATS week is nearly upon us and we want to ensure that all of our children feel prepared, confident and at ease about taking their end of Key Stage 2 assessments. We are busy spending the last few weeks combining revision with opportunities to focus on other fun elements of the curriculum, whilst generally keeping everything as normal as possible for their benefit.

During SATS week (Monday - Thursday) we will be opening the Year 6 classrooms from 8:30am and offering all of the children additional breakfast bagels, juice and biscuits to help them settle in and have the best start to the day possible. Once the assessments are done for the day, the children will get stuck into fun projects to allow them to relax and enjoy themselves.

To celebrate the end of SATS week, we are inviting our Y6 parents to join us from **2.15pm on Friday 16 May** on the school field for a game of rounders: Pupils vs Parents! We hope that as many of you can join us as possible and fingers crossed for good weather.

We know SATS week can feel stressful for some so to help your child focus on:

- Ensuring they get plenty of sleep and rest.
- Eat food that helps them concentrate and stay calm.
- Drink plenty of water.
- Avoid stress or big changes to routine during SATS week.

- Keep everything as normal as possible.

Please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the Year 6 team if you have any questions and they will be happy to help.

We know our children have worked incredibly hard and will do their best; that is all we could ever ask of them. No matter what, we are, and will always be, very proud of our pupils.

### Year 3 trip to White Post Farm



Year 3 are planning to visit White Post Farm on **Monday 19 May** as part of our Science unit Inside Out. During the day we will be exploring and finding out about all different kinds of animals. The children will have the opportunity to feed the animals, as well as holding or stroke them.

**The cost of the trip per child is £16.20.** Please make payment via ParentPay. You must also give consent for your child to attend the trip and provide an emergency contact number for the day of the trip via ParentPay.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties at this time and would like to discuss this, please contact the school office.

The coach will leave school at 9:15am so pupils will need to arrive on time to be registered prior to the trip. We will arrive back at school for the normal finishing time of 3:20pm, however if this changes significantly we will contact you by text.

Children are expected to wear full school uniform on their top half. They can wear bottoms and appropriate footwear for walking around the paddocks and farm. Children will need a healthy packed lunch and drink (no fizzy drinks) in a bag or lunchbox. If your child receives free school meals and you would like school to provide a packed lunch, you will have the opportunity to order one via ParentPay (please note they will still need a drink).

Any parents with a DBS check carried out by school, who are available to support us on this day, please let us know.

Please make payment via your ParentPay account along with the necessary consent and contact details by **Monday 12th May 2025**.

Many thanks,

Mrs Horton and Mrs Murphy

Year 3 Teachers

## Year 6 End of Year Dates

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*Leaving Year 6 is a special time for children (and parents). To help parents plan ahead, here is a list of our end of year 'leaving' events for our Year 6 pupils.*

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**Wednesday 25 June 2pm** - 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' performance (Details for tickets to follow)

**Thursday 26 June 2pm & 5pm** - 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' performance (please note all children will need to return to school for 4.30pm for the performance)

**Monday 30 June & Tuesday 1 July** - Year 6 Transition to Meden (Details to follow from Meden)

**Thursday 24 July 1.15pm** - Year 6 Leaver's Assembly (children can go home with an adult afterwards to get 'disco' ready)

**Thursday 24 July 5-6.30pm** - Leaver's Disco (Details to follow)

**Friday 25 July** - Last day at Sherwood Junior School

## ParentPay Update

We are aware that some parents have experienced issues with ParentPay and making payments. Below is some guidance on how best to make payments for items.

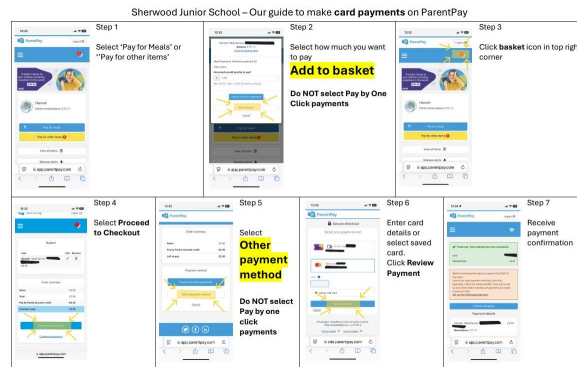
If you have set up one-click payment, you will have been asked to set up a Direct Debit mandate. If you are choosing the "one-click payment" option when you come to pay, this payment is "pending" until your bank has processed it. This can take up to 5 days, depending on your bank. Therefore, if you are trying to pay for something, the payment is not immediate, and in some cases the money may not be in your account on the date the bank chooses to take the payment. This will then be a failed payment and you will need to make the payment again. (ParentPay will notify you by email if a payment has failed). If you have had multiple payment failures by one-click payments, the option will be disabled and you will need to use an alternate method, eg, debit card.

**We would therefore ask that you to choose "other payment method" which will be linked to your credit/debit card (whichever one you entered). This payment is instant, as it would be if you were using your debit card to pay for something in a shop for example. There will be no risk of you missing out on an offer if you choose to pay by debit card, and you will have the confidence in knowing payment is instant.**

You can also add any amount of money into your Parent Account and use it to quickly check out and pay for upcoming items, as well as using the auto top up to avoid going into debt for meals.

We hope this has helped to clarify some issues, however, should you wish any further information, please contact the school office.

We have created our own step by step guide to make card payments on ParentPay. This is available on our school website [Payments | Sherwood Junior School](#)



## Staff Update



We have welcomed Miss Hopkins to our staff team at Sherwood this week. Miss Hopkins has joined us as a teaching assistant and will be working in Year 5.

## Warsop Health Hub

We have been asked to share these details of a new session starting at Warsop Health Hub - StrongHER Minds.



## Tea Party



Well done to last week's Tea Party winners - you're all superstars! Children receive a certificate, a treat and then attend a 'Tea Party' during the following week, to have a drink, a treat and play games - how exciting!

3H Miley - For her super start to the new term and her fraction work.

3M Piper - For being a polite, hard-working member of our class.

4S Mia - For coming back to school focused and ready to learn.

4B Lilly-Mae - for brilliant progress in maths.

5B Pixie - For her improved attitude towards her learning and engaging more in lessons.

5N Bob - For a huge improvement in his written presentation and maturity.

6P Joshua - For being Miss Payne's Tech Wiz, ready to help with any issues that arise and for his super effort in his learning.

6B Jude - For being a superb role model and spokesperson in RE; his maturity and confidence shone through.

## Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was 95.6%

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: - 3H 98.2% Amazing!

2nd - 4B 97.8% Fantastic!

3rd - 6B 97.7% Super!

## Golden Tickets



Golden tickets are awarded by our senior leaders (Mrs Simpson, 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 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 **5B** for being this week's golden ticket winners and achieving an amazing **4** golden tickets each!

So, this means that **6B** are now in first place so far and in the running for winning the £30 prize - **Congratulations!**

## Reading Awards

Well done to these children for earning their **BRONZE** Reading Award and showing a super level of dedication to reading at home.

Year 3: Bobby

Year 4: Charlotte

Well done to these children for earning their **SILVER** Reading Award and showing a brilliant level of dedication to reading at home.

Year 3: Mufaro

Year 6: Oliver

Well done to these children for earning their **DIAMOND** Reading Award and showing a tremendous level of dedication to reading at home.

Year 3: Ellie-May, Cooper

Year 6: Casie

CONGRATULATIONS to these children for earning their **GOLD** Reading Awards this year and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home.

Year 3: Isabella

Year 4: Amelia

Year 6: Raphael

CONGRATULATIONS to these children for earning their **PLATINUM** Reading Awards this year and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home.

Year 3: Arjan, Mason, Lola

Year 4: Myles

Year 5: Lillie

CONGRATULATIONS to these children for earning their **RUBY** Reading Awards this year and showing a superb level of dedication to reading at home

Year 3: Isla, Hadley

Year 4: Miah

CONGRATULATIONS to these children for earning their **EMERALD** Reading Awards this year and showing an incredible level of dedication to reading at home

Year 3: Michelle, Lyle

Year 5: Lucas

CONGRATULATIONS to these children for earning their **SAPPHIRE** Reading Awards this year and showing an tremendous level of dedication to reading at home

Year 3:Honey, Rebecca

Year 5: Gwen

Year 6: Pippa

CONGRATULATIONS to these children for earning their **PEARL** Reading Awards this year and showing an outstanding level of dedication to reading at home

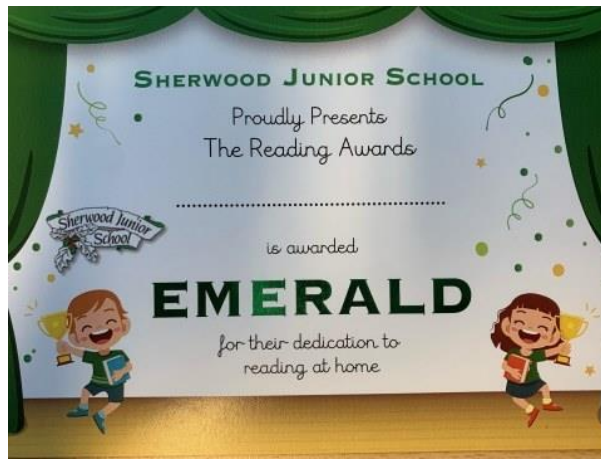
Year 3: Jack, Sam

Year 4: Leo

Year 5: Amelia, Joslyn, Aurelia, Phoebe, Harrison











## Birthday Books



Happy birthday and happy reading to these children:

Year 3: Rebecca

Year 4: Loula

Year 6: Lucas, Gerald, Casie, Oliver

## Joke of the Week

This week our joke comes from Mrs Bradbury.

Q: What running race are hens **eggcellent** at?

A: The **Relay!**

# JOKE of the WEEK

## This Week's School Dinner Menu

Reminder:

Our school menu has now changed to the NEW summer menu which will include theme days each week.

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

**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 producer Murray'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

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Week 2 Menu

28 April - 2 May

## 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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