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Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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Dates for your diary



This week...

Monday 20 January - Clubs start this week

Next week...

Tuesday 28 February - Year 5 Holes workshop

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

Spring Term

Monday 3 February - Children's mental health week

Monday 3 February - Year 4/5 MHST Self esteem workshops

Tuesday 4 February - Year 5 Warsop Fieldwork trip

Tuesday 11 February - Safer Internet Day

Thursday 13 February - TTRS Day

Thursday 13 February - Last day for Y6 to order CGP Revision Books

Thursday 13 February - Last day at school

Friday 14 February - INSET day (children not in school)

Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February - Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 24 February - Children back to school

Thursday 6 March - World Book Day

Friday 7 March - Y6 trip to Sherwood Pines

Friday 7 March - Art Day

Wednesday 12 March - Y6 MHST Positive Body Image workshops

Monday 17 March - Y3 Trip to Perlethorpe

Thursday 20 March & Friday 21 March: Year 4 residential Sherwood Forest Youth Hostel

Wednesday 26 March - Scholastic Book Fayre

Thursday 27 and Friday 28 March - Mother's Day Breakfast

Monday 31 March - Easter Service at Church

Monday 31 March and Tuesday 1 April - Parent's Evening

Friday 4 April - Last day of school

Monday 7 April to Monday 21 April - Easter holiday (school closed)

Summer Term

Tuesday 22 April - Children back to school

Friday 2 May - Y4 Trip to Rushcliffe Park

Thursday 8 May - Y6 Residential Meeting for parents

Monday 12 to Thursday 15 May - SATs Week

Friday 16 May - Y6 Rounders Parent's Event

Wednesday 21 May - Y5 Trip to the National Space Centre

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 and Friday 13 June - Father's Day Breakfast

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

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

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)

Spring Curriculum



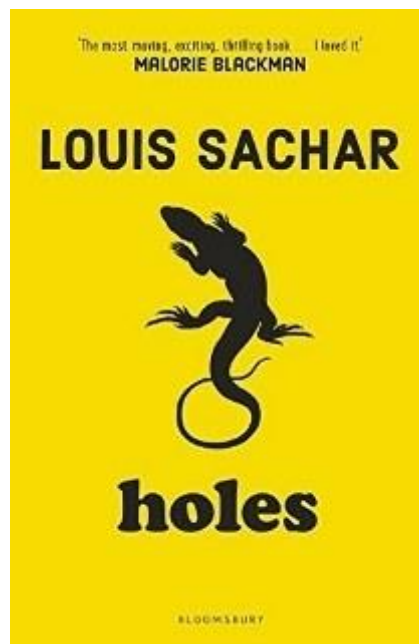
Year 3 - All Around Us

In the Spring term, our topic is All Around Us. We will be learning about our locality, what makes up the UK and the physical and human features. We will spend time looking at maps and using compass directions. We will think about the weather in the UK and how to measure it during our visit to Perlethorpe on Monday 17th March. In our Science work, we will be exploring forces and magnets and thinking about light. We will also be investigating kites in DT, which will link to our Science learning. We will be focusing on collaging in art and we will be learning how to skip in different ways in PE. Whilst 3M work on their gymnastic

moves, 3H will be going swimming. Our RSHE work this term thinks about what families are like and what makes a community.

Year 4 - All Things Great and Small

This term, our theme is All Things Great and Small! We will be using our geographical knowledge from last term to understand rivers and how they are key aspects of physical geography. We will even be carrying out some fieldwork around the features of the River Meden. In science, we will be learning about animals including humans and living things and their habitats, so keep an eye out for those creepy crawlies! Throughout the term, we will be studying pilgrimages within R.E, where we will use drama to immerse ourselves in our work. In Art, we are focusing on refining our textiles skills and will be creating our own fantasy setting using a range of different materials and techniques.



Year 5 - What A Wonderful World!

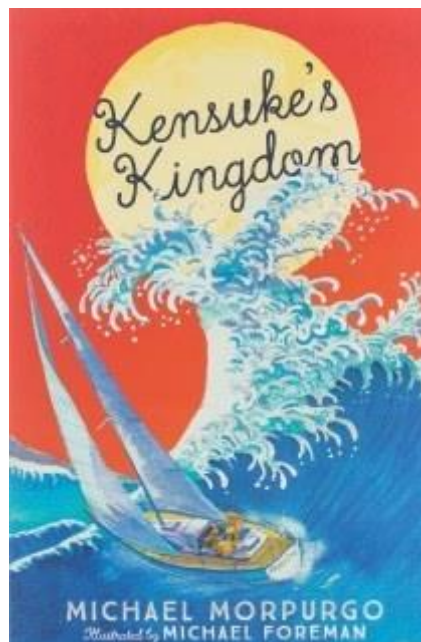
There will be some brilliant learning in Year 5 this term, mostly based around our topic: What a Wonderful World. This unit will be geography based, allowing the children to develop a greater understanding of the world and how we, as humans, have an impact. As part of this unit, we will be exploring human and physical geographical features around

Warsop. We will be visited by Jack, an amazing actor from the Palace Theatre, who will lead the children in a workshop to understand the different characters in our novel 'Holes'. This will support our narrative writing, which will also be based on 'Holes'. In science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will find out more about different life cycles, which will allow us to compare them. In the first spring term, we will be learning different dances from around the world in our P.E lessons and we will then be heading outside to learn cricket. In Music, we will be focusing on Jazz and we will be busy preparing a short performance to show parents. We will be cooking using seasonal foods and will be creating an animal collage in art.

Year 6 - Mother Nature and Her Earth

Ever been stranded on a desert island? Ever wondered why it's so hot in some countries but not in others? Well, Year 6 are going to spend this term exploring Mother Nature and her Earth alongside reading Michael Morpurgo's captivating novel 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. Throughout the term, we will explore a range of geography from Longitude and Latitude to coastal erosion, giving our children the opportunity to see the world like they never have done before. In Art, we will take inspiration from our focus text and create some amazing sketches, whilst in Science we will delve deeper into the world of Electricity. There really is so much to be learning, so everyday will be jam-packed! Not to forget a special trip to the great outdoors to learn more about bush craft and survival skills - Just like Michael in our book!

It's going to be so much fun Year 6!



Dodgeball Festival



We would like to share a huge congratulations and well done to the team of year 5 and year 6 pupils who attended the Dodgeball festival last week. They showed off their excellent skills and knowledge and played superbly as a team. Mrs Bonsell was especially impressed with their honesty throughout every match.

You did us proud!

Well done: Evie, Harlie, Caleb, Leo, Jacob, Bradley, Casie, Aston, Emily and Lacey

Safety

We would like to extend a really big well done to our children for staying safe and acting very responsibly when using the zebra crossing outside school without the support a crossing patrol. It is wonderful to see how conscientious our children are regarding their own and the safety of others. This also extends to the consideration that most of our children are paying to dismounting from scooters and bikes whilst passing through the school grounds.

However, we are aware of a few current and past pupils who have been entering school site, especially the staff car park on bikes and scooters out of school hours. This poses a risk to themselves and our staff who may not always be aware of them as they enter and leave the car park. We politely ask that children refrain from entering the school site outside of school hours for their safety and the safety of others.



Think Pharmacy First



Most pharmacies in England are now providing the Pharmacy First service.

This free NHS service allows you or your child to get quick access to healthcare advice for the following seven conditions:

- Earache (aged 1 to 17 years)
- Impetigo (aged 1 year and over)
- Infected insect bites (aged 1 year and over)
- Shingles (aged 18 years and over)
- Sinusitis (aged 12 years and over)
- Sore throats (aged 5 years and over)
- Urinary tract infections (UTIs) in women (aged 16 to 64 years)

If you or your child has symptoms that suggest you may have one of these conditions, you can walk into a pharmacy and be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room. Some pharmacies also offer the service remotely as a video consultation.

Your GP surgery may also electronically refer you or your child to a pharmacy of your choice for the service.

The pharmacist will provide advice and, if clinically necessary, a prescription medicine to treat the condition (the normal NHS prescription charge rules apply to people aged 16 and over).

An electronic message will be sent to the GP surgery so they can update their records.

If the pharmacist can't treat you or your child, they will direct you to your GP surgery or another health professional.

If you or your child have symptoms that suggest you have one of the above conditions, why not give the Pharmacy First service a try?

Think Pharmacy First!

- Find out more by watching the [Pharmacy First animation](#) or visiting nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst

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 Laura - For her independent work- what a WOW moment!

3M Indy - For being a caring, hard working member of the class.

4J Cohen - For being a great friend to other children in the classroom and being a supportive friend when others are in need.

4B Charlotte-Rose - For her brilliant engagement during our Animal Explorers day and being a positive role model to others.

5B Dolly - For being one of our trusted 'always' children.

5N Taylor-Jay - For coming back after the holidays with a great attitude and showing great listening; keep it up!

6P Raphael - For his excellent level of effort and positive attitude.

6B Harrison - For his maturity and hard work this week especially around adapting to some new changes.

Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was 95.1%

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: - 3M 97.9% Amazing!

2nd - 6B 97.7% Fantastic!

3rd - 4J 96.1% Super!

Reading Certificates

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

Year 4: Cohen

Year 6: Jaxon

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

Year 3: Darbie

Year 4: Jaxson, Amelia

Year 5: Macey

Year 6: Jude

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

Year 3: Lola

Year 5: Josie, Mason

Year 6: Harrison

Well done to these children for earning their **GOLD** Reading Awards this year and showing a superb level of dedication to reading at home.

Year 3: George

Year 4: Stanley

Year 5: Jayden

Year 6: Noah, Caleb

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

Year 4: Leo

Year 5: Sophie, Aurelia, Amelia





Golden Tickets



Golden tickets are awarded by our senior leaders (Mrs Simpson, Mrs Bradbury & Miss Johnson) 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 **4J and 3M** for being the winners of the week last week and achieving an amazing **4** golden tickets each!

However, **4J** are still in the lead for this term's £30 prize - **Congratulations!**

It remains a very close race; anyone could easily win it and steal the lead from 4J.

Birthday Books



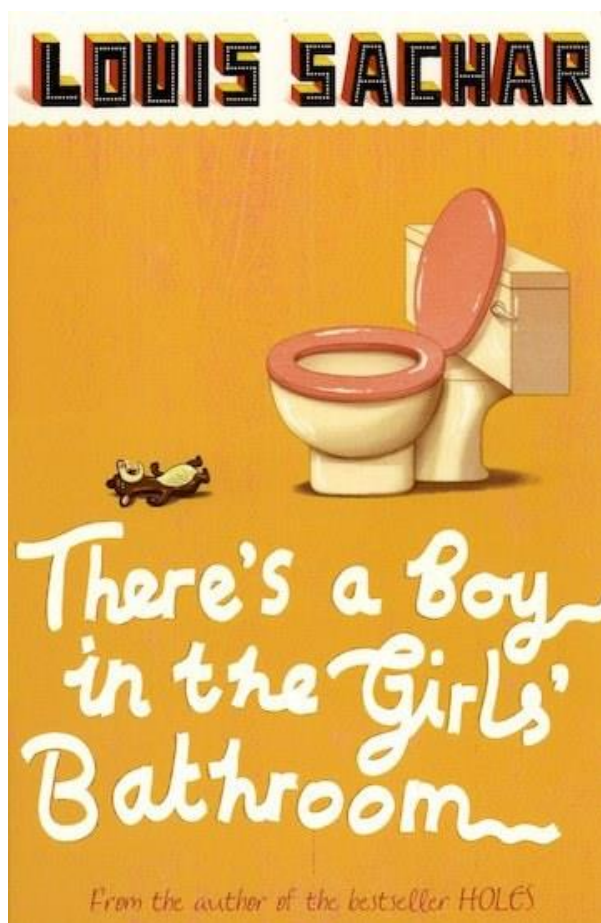
Happy birthday and happy reading to these children:

Year 3: Isla, Kiona

Year 4: Theo

Year 6: Ronnie, Emily

Staff Recommended Reads



Reading for pleasure is very important at Sherwood Junior School and that is no different for the adults, we love reading! So we are going to share a recommended read each week.

If your child would like to share their recommended read they can get a form from Mrs Bradbury's and Mrs Naylor's office door and return it to Miss Johnson so it can be shared in a future newsletter.

This week we have Miss Payne's favourite read *There's a boy in the girl's bathroom* by Louis Sachar.

He's the biggest, nastiest kid in school: the liar, the one who picks fights, the one with "behaviour problems." No one likes him – except Carla, the new school counsellor. She thinks Bradley is sensitive and generous, and that he could change – if he dared try.

Joke of the Week

This week our joke comes from Anon.

Q: What do you call cheese that isn't yours?

A: Nacho cheese!

J of the JOKE WEEK

This Week's School Dinner Menu

Week 3 Menu

20 - 24 January

Menu Changes

There have been 2 changes within the 3 week menu cycle:

Week 1, Friday - pudding has changed to ice cream

Week 2, Tuesday - the dinner option will now be mince, mash potatoes and Yorkshire pudding.

Please note that all menus for the 3 week cycle can also be found on our school website via the link below -

<https://www.sherwood.notts.sch.uk/school-dinners/>



WEEK 3
WEEK COMMENCING
18 Nov, 9 Dec, 30 Dec, 20 Jan, 10 Feb,
3 March, 24 March

All of our meals are prepared using freshly sourced products from the East Midlands, if you need to know more about the ingredients used, please ask.

AVAILABLE DAILY: best of both bread (dairy), soy free fresh fruit. Vegetarian meals available upon request.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Margherita pizza Toss with gluten diced potatoes & crunchy vegetables	All day brunch Nottinghamshire sausage, gluten & dairy free omelette (egg, milk), baked beans, hash browns, roast tomato & tomato ketchup	Pasta shell Bolognese dinner (meat free) fish garlic bread, new milk (dairy) & sweetcorn	Roast Gammon OR Roast Quorn with egg mashed & roast potatoes, green cabbage, steed carrots & gravy	Fish fingers (dairy free), Tomato ketchup, diced potatoes, sweetcorn & minced garden peas
OPTION 2	Jacket potato, cheese mix, baked beans & mixed salad	Jacket potato, cheese mix, baked beans & mixed salad	Jacket potato, cheese mix, baked beans & mixed salad	Jacket potato, cheese mix, baked beans & mixed salad	Jacket potato, cheese mix, baked beans & mixed salad
PUDDING	Raspberry swirl sponge (dairy free) & custard (dairy)	Cherry flapjack (dairy free)	Chocolate ice cream roll top with egg (dairy) & chocolate sauce (dairy)	Jelly & shortbread (dairy free)	Butterscotch tart Milk (dairy free)

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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

Breakfast club bookings/enquiries breakfastclub@sherwood.notts.sch.uk

Please note, the school office email should not be used to report an absence or for breakfast club enquiries.

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

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