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Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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Dates for your diary



This week...

Week beginning Monday 23 September: School clubs start

Tuesday 24 September: Year 4 trip to Magna

Wednesday 25 September: Payment due for Y5 Perlethorpe trip

Thursday 26 September: School council elections

Next week...

Wednesday 2 October Year 5 Evacuee Day at Perlethorpe

Wednesday 2 October: Wellbeing workshops for year 3 & 4 delivered by MHST

Thursday 3 October: Wellbeing workshops for year 5 & 6 delivered by MHST

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

Autumn Term

Monday 7 October 3.30pm-6.30pm: Parents evening

Tuesday 8 October 3.30pm-6.30pm: Parents evening

Wednesday 9 October: Year 6 visit to Mansfield FC

Friday 11 October: Deposit due for Y4 residential

Friday 11 October: Deposit due for Y5 residential

Friday 11 October: Deposit due for Y6 residential

Friday 18 October - Last day at school

Monday 21 October to Friday 1 November - Half term holiday

Monday 4 November - Children back to school

Friday 20 December - Last day at school

Monday 23 December 2024 - Friday 3 January 2025 - Christmas holiday (school closed)

Spring Term

Monday 6 January 2025 - Children back to school

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

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 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

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)

School Contacts

In order to respond to your requests and messages, we want to make sure they are directed to the right person at the right time. To help us, please use these contacts:

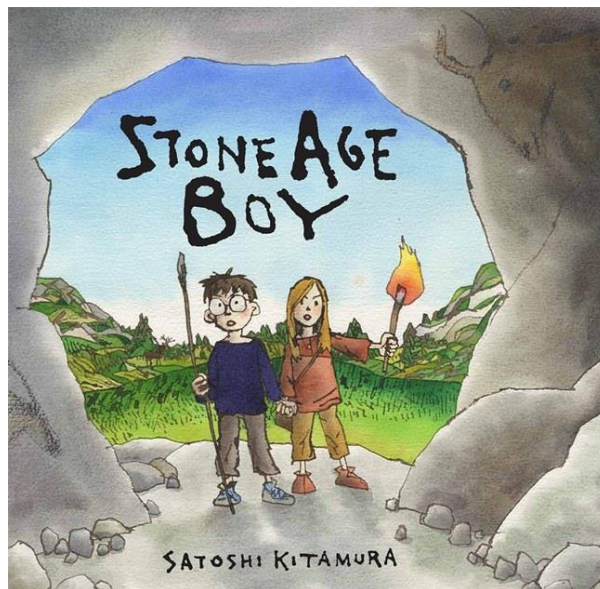
To report a child's absence 01623 842545 phone school and leave a message on the absence line or speak to the school office

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.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Autumn Curriculum



Year 3 - Going Underground

In the Autumn term our topic is Going Underground. We are looking at how Britain changed through the Stone Age and Iron Age. Our trip will be to Creswell Crags on November 11th. In our Science we are focusing on plants and what makes them grow well and different types of rocks. We have also started to learn some French phrases to be able to talk about ourselves and others in French. Our

book this half term is Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura. The Year 3 's are settling in so well. We are proud of them.

Year 4 - Beyond Ourselves

This term, our theme is 'Beyond Ourselves'. We will be learning about Europe, building on our learning from year 3 about the United Kingdom. We will be looking at the different countries and describing their similarities and differences. In science, we will be learning about states of matter and electricity. We will be going to Magna to investigate electricity further in a fun environment! Over the term, we will be focusing on three artists to use them as inspiration in art and DT. We will be creating our own sketches of a famous building within Europe and making our own structures for a purpose. In music, we will be learning all about ABBA and performing some of their most famous songs. What a fun term ahead!



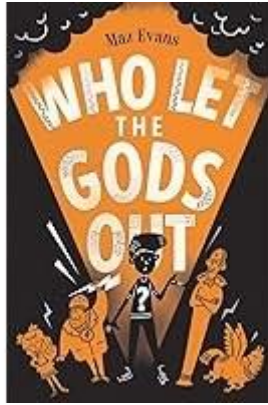
Year 5 - What Shapes Our World

We are doing some brilliant learning in Year 5 this term, which is mostly based around our topic: World War II. As part of this unit, we will be spending the day as Evacuees at Perlethorpe. The children will be immersed into what life was like during this time in British history. This will help us understand how children felt during the war and our writing will be based on diary entries to show our understanding of this experience. In science, we are learning about materials and their properties and investigating suitable materials used in the war. The children will also be exploring the issue of propaganda both in history and art lessons.

Year 6 - Who Let The Gods Out?

In Year 6, we will be exploring the Ancient Greeks through our topic 'Who Let the Gods Out?'. We are exploring the wonders of Greek Mythology, what it was like to live in Ancient Greece and the Trojan War. We will also be exploring more of their love of sculpture through our art work and their amazing food in design and technology, including making Greek mezze platters. Other areas of learning we are exploring are coding and creating our own games and 'Where we live!' in French! In music, we have been learning to sing in unison to the song 'Happy' by Pharell Williams. For RSHE, we will be taking to trip the The One Call stadium where we will be taking part in wellbeing workshops hosted by the PLPS coaches at MTFC.

Ooo La La, there is so much happening in Year 6 this term; we will be very busy!



Year 4 Residential



Y4 Residential – Sherwood Forest 2025

We are delighted to offer the residential trip to Sherwood Youth Hostel to our Year 4 pupils next year. The visit will be for 2 days and 1 night. Sherwood Youth Hostel is in the Heart of Sherwood Forest, where there's lots of exciting activities. The visit will take place from **Thursday 20th until Friday 21st March 2025** and will cost approximately £55.00 per pupil. This price includes accommodation; full board and programme of activities for the children to take part in. This does not include transport costs and to avoid additional coach costs we kindly ask that you drop off and pick up children from the Youth Hostel at Edwinstowe. This worked really well the last time we visited!

If you would like your child to take part in this residential, please return the slip on the letter sent home with a £15.00 deposit to secure a place by Friday 11th October 2024. **Please be aware that the £15.00 deposit is non-refundable and places are limited to 42 so will be reserved on a first come, first serve basis.**

- As places are limited, please do not commit your child to the trip should you have any doubt of their intention to go.
- If we do not receive enough interest, the visit may be cancelled and therefore the deposit will be returned in this instance.
- Please note that all other payments must be paid online through your child's sQuid account. We can only accept the initial £15.00 deposit in cash. The remaining balance of £40.00 will need to be paid by January 2025. For your convenience, instalments will be created within

Squid to enable you to do this and we will provide further information once your child has secured a place.

Year 5 Residential



Y5 RESIDENTIAL – THE MILL ADVENTURE

We are excited to be able to offer a residential trip to The Mill Adventure, Kingsmill Reservoir for our Year 5 children next year! The visit will take place from **Tuesday 17th June 2025 to Wednesday 18th June 2025** for 1 night and will cost £125.00 per pupil. This price includes transport, pod accommodation; full board and a jam-packed programme of activities for the children to take part in.

If you would like your child to take part in this residential, please return the slip on the letter sent home with a £25.00 deposit to secure a place by Friday 11th October. **Please be aware that the £25.00 deposit is non-refundable and we only have places for 36 children. Therefore, places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.**

- As places are limited, please do not commit your child to the trip should you have any doubt of their intention to take part.
- If we do not receive enough interest, the visit will be cancelled and therefore the deposit will be returned in this instance.
- Please note that once your child has been allocated a place – all future payments will need to be paid via Squid. A payment plan will be created detailing amounts due and time frames in which to be paid by. For example, an additional £25.00 may need to be paid by the end of each month until the balance is paid. The total balance will need to be paid by April 2025. Further details will be sent out once places have been confirmed.
- By signing the reply slip, you are agreeing to meet the payment deadlines, and if these are not met, we reserve the right to remove your child's place without a refund.

Year 6 Residential



YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TO MOUNT COOK JULY 2025

We are excited to be writing to you to offer you the chance to reserve a place for your child on the residential taking place next year. Following previously successful visits to Mount Cook in the Peak District, we are delighted to be able to offer the same experience again next year. The visit will take place from **Wednesday 16th - Friday 18th July 2025** for 2 nights and will cost **£256.00 per pupil**. This price includes transport, accommodation, full board and a jam-packed programme of activities for the children to take part in.

If you would like your child to take part in this residential, please return the slip on the letter sent home with a **£40.00** cash deposit to secure a place by Friday 11th October 2024. **Please be aware that the £40.00 deposit is non-refundable and we only have places for 30 children. Therefore, places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.**

- As places are limited, please do not commit your child to the trip should you have any doubt of their intention to take part.
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Parent's Evening



Our autumn term parents' evenings will be held on **Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th October**. We will be conducting these in person, face to face in school. A letter has been sent home for you to request a convenient appointment time. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you all over the two dates.

Parent Helpers



Are you available to help out and join us on some of our wonderful school trips?

We are looking to recruit a few more parent helpers to join our team for future class and year group trips.

If you feel that you would be able to occasionally volunteer your time to help out then please speak a member of our office staff who will help organise a DBS check for you to complete.

If you are already hold DBS check through work, you will still need to complete our DBS as they are separate.

MDSA Vacancy

We are looking for a Midday Supervisor to join our busy, friendly and hardworking team. You will be working under the supervision of our Senior Midday Supervisor and our Senior Leadership Team. If you are looking for an exciting new challenge working in a rewarding environment, we want to hear from you!

If you would like to apply for this post, please email office@sherwood.notts.sch.uk for an application pack or call the school office on 01623 842545 for further information.



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 **3M, 4B, 4J AND 5N** for being the winners of the week last week and achieving a super **4** golden tickets each!

4B are now this term's overall leaders so far and in the running to win our **£30 prize!** - well done!

It is a close race this term; anyone could win it!

Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was 92.4%

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 98.3% Amazing!

2nd - 4J 95.7% Fantastic!

3rd - 6B 93.9% Super!

Birthday Books

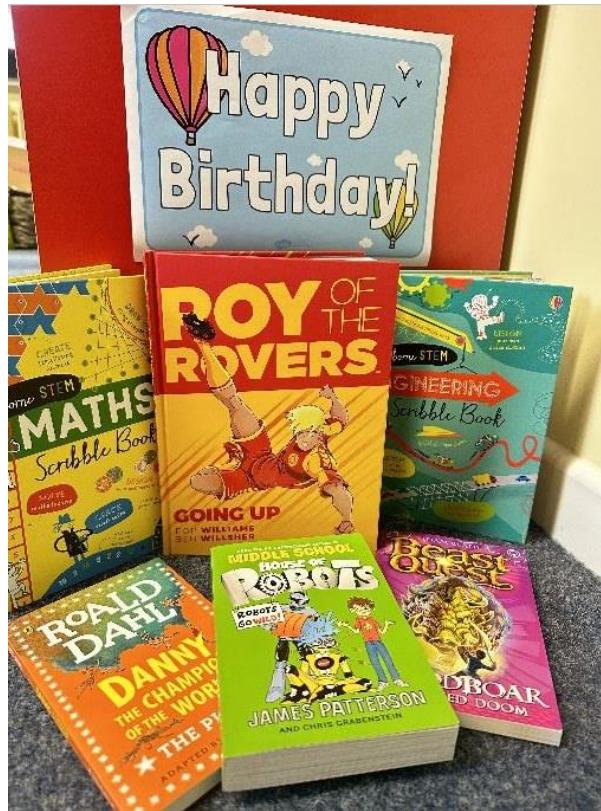
Happy birthday and happy reading to these children:

Year 3: Ellie-May

Year 4: Riley

Year 5: Billy, Dolly

Year 6: Caleb, Harrison, Kacey



Tea Party Winners



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' on a Monday afternoon, to have a drink, a treat and play games - how exciting!

3H Harper - For kindness and a caring attitude.

3M George - For a brilliant start to a new school and always working hard!

4B Amelia - For amazing maths work this week on place value and number lines!

4J Cora - For amazing presentation in all her work and always being ready to learn.

5N Lacy - For a wonderful dairy entry: you have clearly listened carefully in lessons.

5B Darcie - For always being polite, helpful and all of the amazing things a role model should. Thank you!

6P Sonny - For a super attitude to learning, listening, participating and trying his best!

6B Toby - Thank you for making a great start to Sherwood and for your incredible commitment and effort to improve your handwriting!

Joke of the Week

This week our joke comes from Anon

Q - What's the best way to throw a birthday party on Mars?

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A- You Planet!

J^{of the} JOKE WEEK

We hope this joke gave you a giggle!

This Week's School Dinner Menu

Week 3

23-27 September

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WEEK COMMENCING
29 April, 20 May, 10 June, 1 July, 22 July
12 Aug, 2 Sept, 23 Sept, 14 Oct

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 (dishes), lots fresh fruit. Vegetarian meals available upon request

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Quorn dippers wrap (dishes) baby roast potatoes carrot sticks fresh coleslaw (veg)	Spaghetti Bolognese Mushroom (dishes) fan crusty bread (dishes) lemons sweetcorn	Pork burger in a bun (veg) MFL (veg) (dishes) lemons to their (dishes) Jacket wedgers vegetable sticks	Roast chicken, stuffing (dishes) gravy & mashed potatoes Yorkshire pudding MFL (dishes) fresh broccoli & carrots	MSC battered fish (dishes) MFL oven chips garden peas or baked beans
OPTION 2	Jacket potato with the filling of the day, cheese MFL, baked beans tuna mayonnaise MFL (veg) & vegetable sticks	Jacket potato with the filling of the day, cheese MFL, baked beans tuna mayonnaise MFL (veg) & vegetable sticks	Jacket potato with the filling of the day, cheese MFL, baked beans tuna mayonnaise MFL (veg) & vegetable sticks	Jacket potato with the filling of the day, cheese MFL, baked beans tuna mayonnaise MFL (veg) & vegetable sticks	Jacket potato with the filling of the day, cheese MFL, baked beans tuna mayonnaise MFL (veg) & vegetable sticks
PUDDING	Noah's Apple sponge (veg) (dishes) & custard MFL Apple free as part of vegetarian menu (dishes)	Chocolate brownie (dishes)	Frozen yoghurt (veg)	Strawberry chutney MFL (dishes)	Chocolate crispy (dishes) with strawberry milkshake MFL

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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/>

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