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Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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Dates for your diary



This week...

Monday 17 November - 10am deadline for Parent Governor applications

Monday 17 November - Author visit for Years 4 & 5

Tuesday 18 November - 2:30pm Year 5 Parent Event

Tuesday 18 November - 3H trip to the Library

Wednesday 19 November - Year 6 MTFC trip

Friday 21 November - 5BL Swimming

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

Autumn Term

Tuesday 25 November - 3M trip to the Library

Friday 28 November - Deadline for ordering a Christmas dinner

Monday 1 December - Christmas Post Box available for pupils in school

Thursday 4 December - Christmas Fayre (3:20pm)

Friday 5 December - Deadline for getting 'Let's Jingle!' tickets

Thursday 11 December - Christmas Jumper Day/non-uniform and Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 16 December - 'Let's Jingle!' (performance) at 2pm

Wednesday 17 December - 'Let's Jingle!' (performance) at 9:30am and 2pm

Thursday 18 December - Party Day and non-uniform

Friday 19 December - 1.30pm Carols on the playground

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)

Christmas Dates



There are lots of exciting things going on at Sherwood over the festive period! Please see below for key dates - further details/information regarding individual dates/events to follow -

Monday 1st December - Christmas Post Box – Pupils can use the Sherwood Christmas Post Box to get their Christmas cards delivered for them across school. All we ask is that envelopes are clearly labelled with the recipients full names and classes.

Thursday 4th December - Christmas Fayre – 3.20pm Sherwood's Christmas Fayre will be open. If you are a parent/carer and would like a stall to sell your own goods, there's a minimum donation of £10 - please see the School Office for further information. Each year group will have a stall to sell Christmas items and there will be festive-themed games for people to play - how exciting!

Prize Donations

We would like donations of prizes please for the following stalls:

Tombola stall - Any unopened and unwanted gift sets, pre-loved and good quality toys, or anything else you feel you can donate as a prize would be appreciated.

Bottle Tombola stall - Any new bottles e.g. bubble bath, bottle of pop, wine, bottle of perfume

Raffle - Any raffle prize donations appreciated, including Christmas treats to add to the Christmas Goodie Bag prizes. Please ask any local businesses you have a connection with for a donation.

Please hand any donations to your child's class teacher or the school office before **Monday 1 December - the more we receive the more money we can make for the pupils of Sherwood Junior School.**

We really hope you will all be able to join us and that our fayre will be even bigger and better than last year's!

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day - Children can come to school in a Christmas jumper, t-shirt or something sparkly for a donation of 50p for Save the Children.

Tuesday 16th December - 'Let's Jingle!' (performance) – 2pm whole school performance in the upper hall

Wednesday 17th December - 'Let's Jingle!' (performance) - 9:30am and 2pm whole school performances in the upper hall

Thursday 18th December - Party Day and non-uniform - Children can come to school in their party clothes and will play a variety of games. School will provide a drink and a snack, school dinner children will have a special party lunch.

Friday 19th December - 1.30pm Carols on the playground – Parents/carers are welcome to join us for carols on the school playground. Children can wear Christmas jumpers or uniform.

School closes for the Christmas break at 3.20pm on Friday 19th December and will re-open on Monday 5th January 2026

Christmas Dinner

We are excited to confirm that our Christmas Lunch for all our pupils will be served in school on **Thursday 11th December 2025**.

If you would like your child to join us for Christmas Lunch, please select the offer on ParentPay, confirming that you would like to order a Christmas Lunch for your child. The deadline for ordering a Christmas Lunch is **Friday 28th November 2025 at the latest**. No meals can be ordered after this date, due to having to pre-order the correct amount of turkeys.

Please note that **NO** payment should be sent to school, as all meal payments will be collected via ParentPay as usual on the day. If you do not have a ParentPay account and your child would like a Christmas lunch, please ask at the school office for further information.

This offer is now live on ParentPay

Please note, if your child is entitled to Free School Meals, a meal will **NOT** be automatically ordered for them. You will still need to complete the offer on ParentPay confirming that your child would like a Christmas Lunch, so that a meal will be ordered for them.

Please note that jacket potatoes will **NOT** be an option, it is the Christmas Lunch only.

We hope your child will join us for this special Christmas meal



Sherwood Junior School presents 'Let's Jingle!' - A Christmas Song Contest



We are very excited to confirm that this year we will be presenting 'Let's Jingle!', a whole school Christmas song contest. There will be three performances – **Tuesday 16th December at 2.00pm** and **Wednesday 17th December at 9.30am and 2.00pm**.

Tickets are now available, and there will be no charge for these. Due to limited space in the hall, you are able to request **a maximum of two tickets per family**. Children under the age of 3 can sit on parents' knees. Children older than 3 years old will need their own ticket.

Please complete and return the slip on the letter your child brought home by **Friday 5th December** to the school office.

The children have been working really hard and we look forward to seeing all of you for this festive celebration.

Mrs H Simpson

Headteacher

Remembrance Sunday

What an amazing morning!

As always, the school councillors – Ellie and Ava (Y3), Evie (Y4), Stanley and Ebony (Y5) and Bella (Y6) – were fantastic representatives of the school during the Remembrance Service in Warsop on Sunday 9th November.

They met up with Mrs Bonsell at the Ex-Serviceman's Club and joined the rest of Warsop to commemorate this important Event. The display was amazing and, as always, the community outdid themselves with all the tributes around the Carrs and Church. Such a lot of dedicated work.

The children showed a great level of respect in laying the wreath and reading a poem "We Remember." A big well done to the School Council and to Mrs Bonsell for arranging this important outing - fantastic!





Year 5 Parent Event



REMINDER

Year 5 would like to invite their grown-ups to a special Computing Showcase at **2:30pm on Tuesday 18th November!** This term, the children have been busy designing and coding their own games using Scratch, and they're excited to share their amazing work.

Come along to try out the games, see the creativity in action and you might even have a chance to create your own game! We look forward to seeing you there.

3H Library Visit



On **Tuesday 18th November**, 3H will be visiting the local library. This visit will give the children an opportunity to explore a wide range of books, learn about how libraries work, and enjoy some time discovering new stories. The children will walk down to the library after lunch and will return at 3pm. If you have any questions, please let us know. We're looking forward to a wonderful afternoon of reading and discovery!

3M will attend the library the following week on **Tuesday 25th November**.

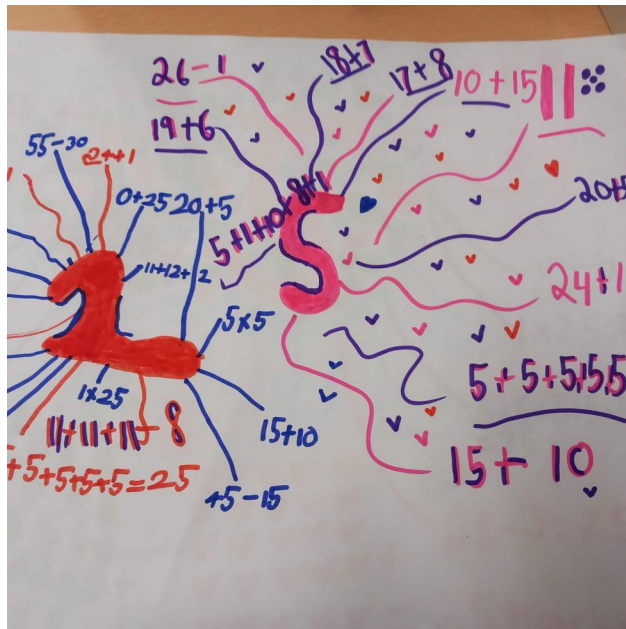
Children in Need

Thank you for all of your donations for Children in Need! The children had a wonderful day completing their challenges. Plus, they all looked fabulous!

Across the school, the children took part in a variety of challenges with a 25 theme including: finding 25 words using the words 'Pudsey Bear', getting prepared for their learning before the teacher completes 25 laps of the classroom, reciting times tables within 25 seconds and much,

much more. Year 3 spent most of the day exploring many different challenges which included knowing as many number facts as they could about the number 25 to completing challenges in PE such as, 'How many jumps can you perform in 25 seconds?' Needless to say, we all had a lot of fun!

To top it all off, the school raised an impressive **£110** for Children in Need, so THANK YOU all so much for your continued support!



MHST Sleep Workshops- Year 5 & 6



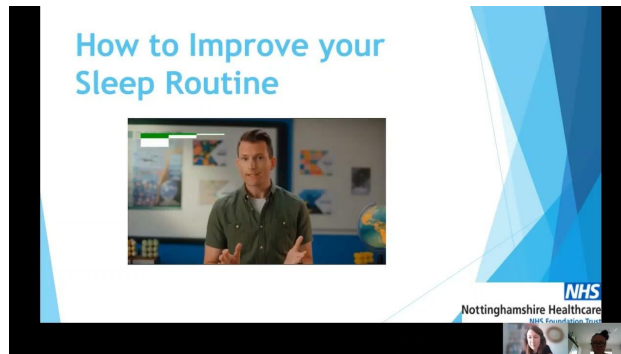
The Mental Health Support Team have recently been in school delivering a 'sleep' workshop to all Year 5 and 6 pupils.

The workshop aims to explore why sleep is important, how much sleep we need and how to improve our sleep.

Here is a little video with further information which you may find helpful and may choose to watch with your child(ren).

Further information can be found on the sleep charity website [Children - The Sleep Charity](#)

Mental Health Support Team



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 **£50** to spend on a treat!

Well done to **6B** for being last week's golden ticket winners and achieving an amazing **8** golden tickets each!

A super well done to **6B** who are our current leaders for the £50 prize for this half-term - the race is on!

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!

3H Yurii - For being a good friend, for his politeness and for being kind

3M Daisy - For always being a good friend, being polite and helpful - sharing the power of good

4S Indy - For being a great friend and using her power for good

4B Cooper - For being a wonderful friend to others and always using his power for good

5B Amelia - For always working and for her never-ending enthusiasm and smile

5BL Stanley - For applying his topic knowledge to the trip and engaging well in all the activities

6P Theo - For his enthusiasm in lessons and applying it to his work

6B Phoebe - Thank you for your huge efforts in maths and punctuality and the power of good this is having on your progress.



Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was 93.1%

183 pupils had 100% attendance 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: 3H 97.3% **Superb**

2nd: 6B 95.8% **Wonderful**

3rd: 5BL 95.7% **Fabulous**

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/>



Reading Awards

Well done to these children for earning their **BRONZE (25)** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Harper

Year 4: Pola, Cooper, Miley & Lilly-May

Year 5: Rosa, Riley & Libby

Year 6: Darcie, Nylah & Phoebe

Well done to these children for earning their **SILVER (50)** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Evie

Year 5: Kaiden

Year 6: Gwen, Lillie & Azoulas

Well done to these children for earning their **DIAMOND (75)** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 6: Phoebe & Aurelia











Birthday Books



Happy birthday and happy reading to these children:

Year 3: Leo

Year 4: Braxton & Lillie-Rae

Year 5: Carter

Year 6: Archie, Joslyn & Phoebe

Netball Club's Player of The Week!

Mrs Naylor and her Netball Club have decided to create an award that recognises superb effort and skill during their weekly matches!

Well done to the first two recipients **Charlotte** and **Riley**, who wowed not only Mrs Naylor, but their team mates - well done!



This Week's School Dinner Menu

My School Menu
Winter 2025 - 2026
Week commencing
 17th November, 8th December,
 14th January, 4th February,
 2nd March, 23rd March

Taste of Asia

Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Chicken noodles Gluten Soya with a vegetable spring roll Gluten Egg Milk Soya Celery	Chicken & vegetable fajitas Gluten with smoky jacket wedges & tomato salsa Sesame	Roast pork with Yorkshire pudding Milk Egg Gluten roast potatoes, stuffing Gluten carrots, broccoli & gravy	Nottinghamshire sausage hot dog Gluten Sulphur dioxide with pommes noisettes & crunchy vegetable sticks	Chip shop style fish 'n' chips Gluten Fish with curry sauce Celery, Egg, Milk, Mustard, Soya, Gluten & peas
III	Jacket potato available daily, served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg				
Pudding	Jelly with a cookie Gluten	Food carrot cake Gluten Egg Sulphur Dioxide	Chocolate Cracknell Gluten Milk	Butterscotch shortcake Gluten Milk Soya	JimJam 'Nut Free' Chocolate brownie Egg Milk Gluten

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1 - Please see 'Week 3' for week beginning November 17th

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.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Festive pizza Gluten Soya Milk with potato balls & crunchy vegetable sticks	Hot dog Gluten Sesame Sulphur Dioxide with tomato ketchup, jacket wedges, BBQ baked beans & sweetcorn	Cheesy tomato pasta Gluten Milk mustard Soya with garlic bread Gluten Milk Soya, carrot & cucumber sticks	Turkey, chipolata sausage Gluten Sulphur dioxide, stuffing Gluten with roast or mashed potatoes, carrots, brussels sprouts, roast parsnips & gravy	Fish finger wrap Gluten Fish, French fries, sweetcorn & peas
Jacket potato with cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnalse Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato with cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnalse Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato with cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnalse Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato with cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnalse Fish Egg & mixed salad	Jacket potato with cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnalse Fish Egg & mixed salad
Iced sprinkle cookie Gluten	Honey cake Gluten Egg Milk & custard Milk	Classic iced 'school' cake Gluten Egg	Festive ice cream tub Milk	Chocolate flapjack Gluten

2 - Christmas Week Menu for week beginning December 8th

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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