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Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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Dates for your diary



This week...

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

Next week...

Monday 5 January 2026 - Children back to school

Friday 9 January - 3M swimming starts (every Friday until Easter)

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

Spring Term

Wednesday 14 January 3.20pm - Year 4 residential meeting for parents/carers

Monday 19 January - School clubs start this week

Tuesday 3 February - MHST well-being workshops (all classes)

Wednesday 4 February - MHST well-being workshops (all classes)

Monday 9 February - Friday 13 February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 10 February - Safer Internet Day

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

Monday 2 March - Careers Week

Monday 2 March 3.30-6pm - Parents evening

Tuesday 3 March 3.30-6pm - Parents evening

Thursday 5 March - World Book Day

Friday 6 March - Careers Fair

Monday 9 March - Friday 13 March - British Science Week

Monday 16 March -Year 3 trip to Perlethorpe

Monday 16 March - Year 6 Bikeability

Tuesday 17 March - Year 6 Bikeability

Wednesday 18 March - Year 6 visit to Sherwood Forest

Thursday 19 March - Friday 20 March - Year 4 residential at Sherwood Forest

Monday 23 March - No school clubs this week

Thursday 26 March - Easter service at Church

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

Friday 17 April - 3H swimming starts

Tuesday 21 April - Wednesday 22 April - Year 5 residential to Mill Adventure Base

Monday 4 May - Bank Holiday (school closed)

Monday 11 May - Thursday 14 May - Year 6 SATs

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

Monday 8 June - Wednesday 10 June - Year 6 residential to Hagg Farm

Friday 24 July - Last day at school

Monday 27 July - INSET (children not in school)

Tuesday 28 July - School holiday (school closed)

Merry Christmas



What a busy and exciting term this has been! So much has happened - school council elections, new Friendship Ambassadors, Y5 swimming lessons, Y3 trip to Creswell Crags, Y4 trip to Magna, Y5 trip to The Holocaust Centre and the Y6 visit to Mansfield Town FC.

Since September, the children have all settled into their new classes and have shared some fantastic learning. They have all worked so incredibly hard and we are all exceptionally proud of them. Thank you to all the children for being so amazing and making us smile every day!

It has been lovely to see so many parents, carers and family members in school over the term to celebrate the children's learning, accompany them on the school trips and to support our events - thank you to everyone who has helped and supported our school and children.

Thank you to all the staff in school. As always, they have worked exceptionally hard this term and we appreciate everything they do.

We hope that our parents/carers and families will be able to join us this week for our festivities ('Let's Jingle!' performances or Carols on the playground). The children are very excited!

I would like to wish everyone in our school a very Merry Christmas. I hope you all have a lovely holiday and I look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 5 January 2026!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mrs Simpson

Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day

We would just like to say thank you to all those who donated on Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children - we raised a fabulous £55 for the charity and it was wonderful to see all of the children and staff in their Christmas jumpers!



Christmas Raffle



There is still chance to buy tickets and win a fantastic prize!

Tickets for our Christmas Raffle are still available from the school office until the end of **Wednesday 17 December**.

Tickets are 5 for £1.

Prizes include.....

2 tickets to a Stags game

£140 Black Rose Tattoo voucher

2 x Christmas Goody Bags

2 x £10 Fashion Shop voucher

2 tickets for the Savoy Cinema

£10 Meadowhall voucher

Christmas Wreath

£30 Coopers voucher

Beauty voucher

Baylis & Harding skincare set

....and many more!

Let's Jingle Performances

All 3 performances are SOLD OUT! This is fantastic for the children - they are so excited and are busy rehearsing.

If anyone is unable to use their tickets, please return them to the school office so they can be redistributed. Due to the Health and Safety/Fire Regulations for our hall space, everyone must be allocated a seat and we are unable to allow additional standing room.

Please make sure you bring your ticket for entry to the performance. Anyone without their ticket, will be asked to wait until everyone else has entered the hall.

A polite reminder that parents/carers are expected and asked to stay for the whole performance and not leave after their child's class has performed.

Thank you for your support.



Christmas Party Day



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.

Carols on the Playground

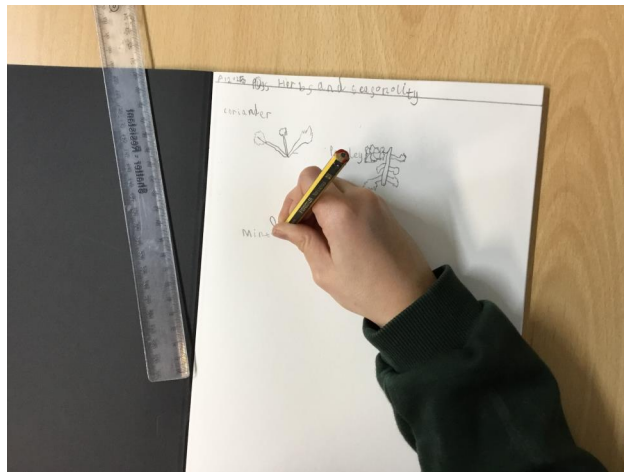
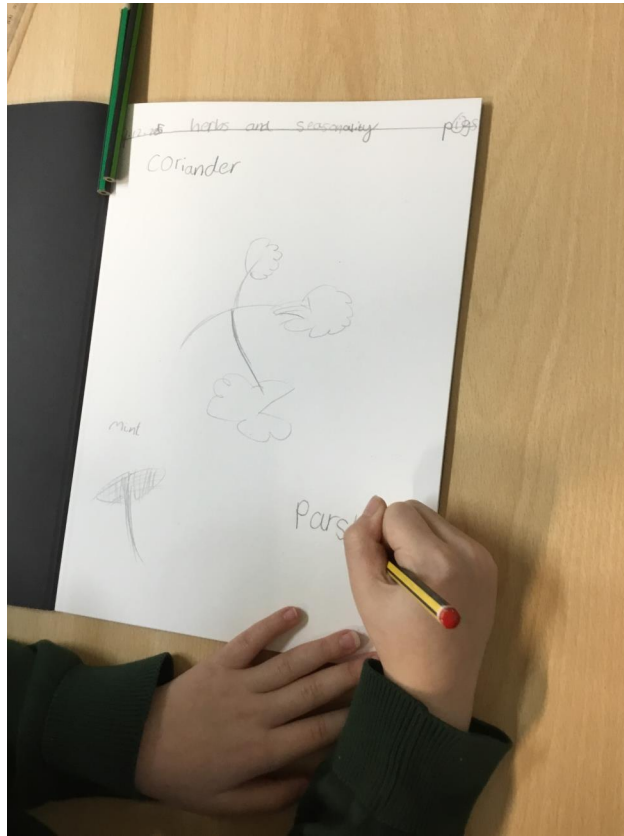
Friday 19th December - 1.30pm

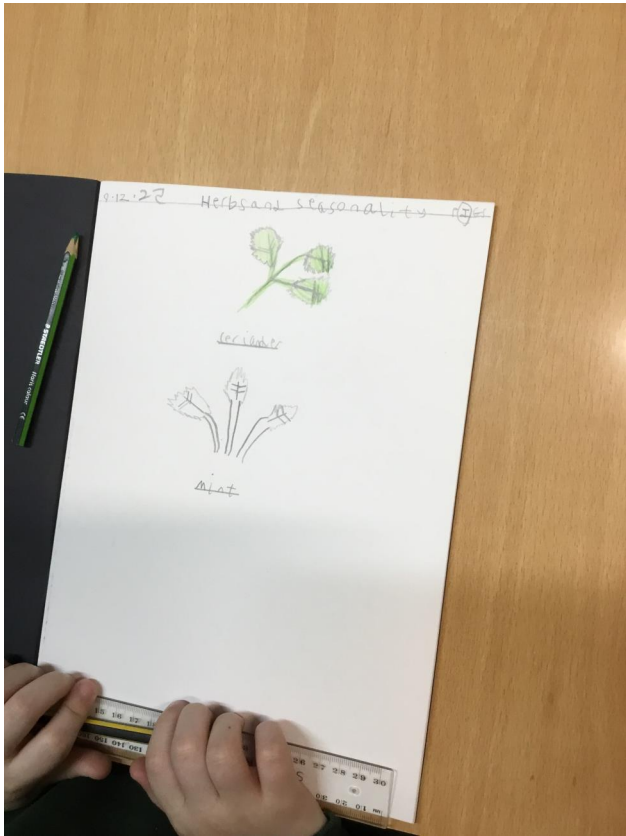
Parents/carers are welcome to join us for carols on the school playground. Children can wear Christmas jumpers or uniform.

This is a lovely festive way to end the term together as a whole school community. We hope you will be able to join us.



Year 3 DT Learning







Year 3 have enjoyed exploring herbs as part of their Design Technology work this week. We investigated the seasonality of different herbs, where they are used and then looked at some and smelled them too! We finished with some observational drawing of the herbs. Next, we are looking forward to cooking with some of the herbs we have found out about. So get ready for pesto pasta coming home!

PE Days

Next term, the PE days will be:

Year 3 - Tuesday

Year 4 - Wednesday

Year 5 - Tuesday

Year 6 - Friday



Website Update



Exciting news....we are updating and creating a new website! This will hopefully 'go live' at the end of January. However, in the interim please note we will not be adding any new information to the website after Friday 19 December.

We will keep you updated.

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!

*A super well done to **6B** who are our winners of the £50 prize for this half-term!*

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!

This week we focused on our Core Value of 'resilience' for Tea Party

3H - Ava - For fully embracing Forest School

3M - Lewy - Giving everything a go and not giving up in class

4S - Bobby - For showing resilience in DT

4B - Ellie-May - For working hard and trying her best

5B - Damian - For his resilience and hard work to understand subtracting fractions

5BL - Jaxson - Resilience when he has found something tricky

6P - Nylah - For keeping going and making her work the best it can be

6B - Jayden - Thank you for your amazing resilience in writing and maths



Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was 93.9%

185 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 96.3% **Brilliant!**

2nd: 5B 96% **Superb!**

3rd: 6B 95.4% **Amazing!**

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 5: Isabelle, Jack & Jaxson

Year 6: Macey

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: Gracie, Luca, Yurii & Willow

Year 5: Jayden

Year 6: Evelyn, Jesse & Pixie

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

Year 3: Ellie & Freya

Well done to these children for earning their **GOLD (100)** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

Year 3: Ava

Year 4: Jack & Sam

Year 5: Leo

Year 6: Harrison, Jacob, Amelia, Phoebe, Lillie & Jayden



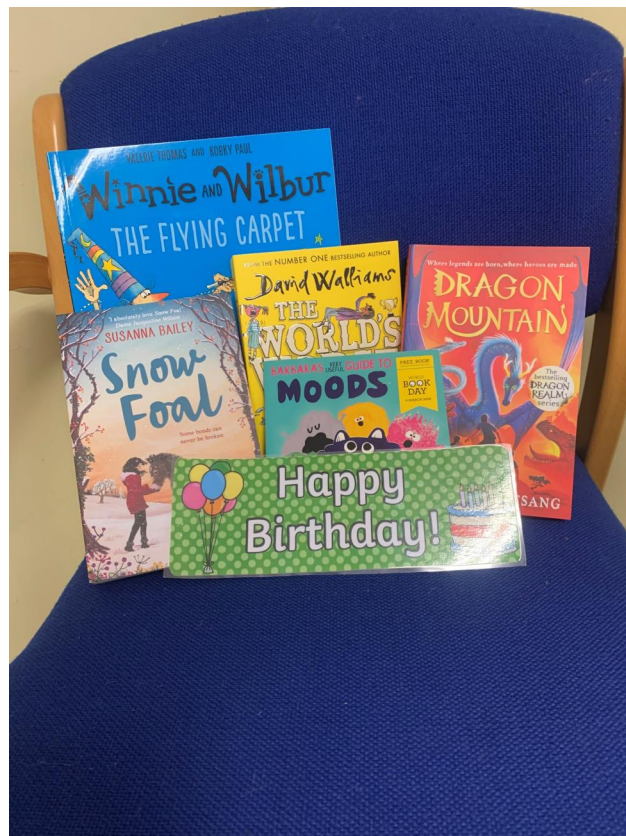








Birthday Books



Happy birthday and happy reading to these children:

Year 3: Aaron, Billy & Ava

Year 4: Lyle

Year 5: Aimee

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 all of Netball Club who wowed Mrs Naylor this term with their attendance, effort and improvement - well done!



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.

My School Menu
Winter 2025 - 2026
Week commencing
 3rd November 24th November
 15th December 5th January
 26th January 9th March

Taste of Italy

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheesy tomato pasta Mustard Soya Gluten Milk with crusty bread Gluten Sesame & sweetcorn	Spaghetti Bolognese Mustard Soya Gluten with garlic bread, Gluten Milk Soya carrot & cucumber sticks	Nottinghamshire sausage Gluten Sulphur dioxide Yorkshire pudding Milk Egg Gluten mash potatoes, carrots, cabbage & gravy	Herby chicken roast with roast potatoes & seasonal vegetables	Fishcake Cob Gluten Fish Sesame with lemon mayonnaise Egg Sulphur Dioxide, oven chips & peas
Pudding	Jacket potato available daily, served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg				
	Classic 'school' cake Egg Gluten Milk	Apple muffin Gluten	Honey & oat cookie Gluten	Donuts Soya Milk Gluten Egg Sesame	Cornflake tart Sulphur dioxide Gluten & custard Milk

AVAILABLE DAILY: Best of both bread Gluten, Soya & fresh fruit.

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Please see 'Week 1' menu for week beginning 15 December



Please see the Party Day Menu for Thursday 18 December

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

Please ensure your child's ParentPay dinner money account is in credit and there is enough to pay for a school meal on the day, or the kitchen will be unable to provide a lunch.

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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