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## Sherwood Junior School Newsletter

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## Dates for your diary



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*This week...*

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

***Monday 9 February - Deadline for Year 6 parents/carers to order CGP Revision Guide Bundle***

***Tuesday 10 February - Safer Internet Day***

***Tuesday 10 February 3:20pm - Year 5 residential meeting for parents/carers in Top Hall***

***Friday 13 February - Last Day at school***

***Monday 16 February - Friday 20 February - Half term holiday (school closed)***

*Next week...*

***Monday 23 February - Children back at school***

***Tuesday 24 February - 6B Library Visit***

***Friday 27 February - Payment and permission due for Year 3 Perlethorpe trip***

***Friday 27 February - Deadline to book on to Mother's Day Celebration***

*Friday 27 February 2:45pm - Year 5 Parent Event*

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

**Spring Term**

**Monday 2 March** - Careers Week

**Monday 2 March** - Year 6 Height and Weight measurements

**Monday 2 March 3.30-6pm** - Parents evening

**Tuesday 3 March 3.30-6pm** - Parents evening

**Tuesday 3 March** - 4S Library Visit

**Thursday 5 March** - World Book Day

**Friday 6 March** - Careers Fair

**Friday 6 March** - Payment and consent due for Year 6 trip to Sherwood Forest

**Monday 9 March - Friday 13 March** - British Science Week

**Tuesday 10 March** - 4B Library Visit

**Tuesday 10 March 2.15pm** - Mother's Day Celebration

**Wednesday 11 March 2.15pm** - Mother's Day Celebration

**Thursday 12 March 2.15pm** - Mother's Day Celebration

**Friday 13 March 2.15pm** - Mother's Day Celebration

**Monday 16 March** -Year 3 trip to Perlethorpe

**Monday 16 March** - Year 6 Bikeability

**Tuesday 17 March** - Year 6 Bikeability

**Tuesday 17 March** - 6P Library Visit

**Tuesday 17 March 10:30am** - MHST parent/carer Teams workshop for 'Children's Emotional Health and Wellbeing'

**Wednesday 18 March** - Year 6 visit to Sherwood Forest

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

**Friday 20 March 8.50am** - Year 3 Parent Event (RSHE)

**Monday 23 March** - No school clubs this week

**Tuesday 24 March** - 4B Library Visit

**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 27 April** - Class Photographs (am)

**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)

## Behaviour Policy Trial Changes- Parent Feedback



At the beginning of the term, we shared our trial changes to our Behaviour Policy with both parents/carers and pupils.

During this half-term we have seen lots of positive changes in classrooms and across school, with pupils demonstrating more resilience and accountability for their actions, with the support of the Behaviour Policy. Feedback from our School Council and staff have been positive, but we would love to gather your thoughts and opinions!

We have created a short [Parent Questionnaire](#) that we would appreciate you completing.

The questionnaire can be completed via the link above or by scanning the attached QR code. The questionnaire is open now and will be available to complete until 9am on Friday 13th February.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation

## Exciting News- Building Works!

We're delighted to announce that work on our brand-new hygiene suite starts next Monday!

Construction will take place in the Year 3/4 playground, with the area safely cordoned off and monitored to ensure pupils can continue to play and learn without disruption.

This is a really positive step for our school, and we can't wait to see the new space take shape over the next few months.

Sherwood Junior School



## Ofsted Report Card Guide for Parents/Carers

As part of the new Ofsted Framework November 2025, a new grading system is in place for school inspections.

An 'Easy Read Guide' can be found here [Ofsted report cards](#) and the attached video explains the 'Report Cards' and new grading system, detailing the changes and what you can expect after your child's school receives an inspection.



## Celebration of Mother's Day



**MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION**

**TUESDAY 10TH MARCH - FRIDAY 13TH MARCH 2026 AT 2.15PM**

As a special treat, we would like to invite you to join us for afternoon tea at school at 2.15pm. There will be a choice of sweet and savoury snacks and a drink of juice. The cost is £2.50 per person (adult and child). If you would like to book to join your child for afternoon tea, please complete the offer on ParentPay.

Please ensure you select the correct day you will be coming:

- **Tuesday 10 March at 2.15pm**
- **Wednesday 11 March at 2.15pm**
- **Thursday 12 March at 2.15pm**
- **Friday 13 March at 2.15pm**

This is open to one adult per family. You will need to choose and add 2 places – one for you and one for your child, which will show as £5.00 payment to be made. If you have 2 children in school, please select 3 places, and again if you have 3 children in school, please select 4 places.

Please note – you should only choose one day as we cannot accept more than one booking per family for the event. Due to the space in the dining hall, places for each afternoon tea is limited to 100.

Please let us know by **Friday 27th February 2026** at the latest if you would like to join us. The offer will be removed from ParentPay on this date and you will not be able to order and pay after this date.

We look forward to seeing you on one of the afternoons!

## Children's well-being and sleep



As part of our well-being work in school, we conduct an annual audit about our children's well-being. As part of this, the children are given 2 statements about their sleep routines and are asked to respond with never, sometimes or always:

- I have problems sleeping.
- I wake up in the night.

Almost three-quarters of our children answered sometimes or always to at least one of these statements.

Quality sleep is essential for children's growth and development. A decent night's sleep will help them to do better at school, allow them to react more quickly to situations, have a more developed memory, learn more effectively and solve problems, plus it will make them less susceptible to colds and other minor ailments, less irritable and better behaved! It's recommended that children aged 6-13 years old get 9-11 hours.

Within school, pupils in Year 5 and 6 have participated in the sleep workshop provided by the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) in the autumn term and pupils in Year 3 and 4 have discussed sleep and bedtime routines as part of their Well-being Wednesday work. We will continue to promote and support the children to understand the importance of good sleep routines.

Here are some links to further information, advice or guidance for parents and children:

[Healthy Sleep | Safety and Prevention - Child 5 to 12 years | Healthier Together](#) NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Health Care

[Sleep workshop for parents and carers of primary age children](#) MHST

[Information & Support - The Sleep Charity](#) The Sleep Charity, incorporating The Sleep Council, provide advice and support to empower the nation to sleep better. They campaign to improve sleep support and access to high quality information, raise awareness of the value of a good night's sleep and promote understanding around the complexities of sleep.

If you have any concerns about your child's sleep, please speak to your child's class teacher.

## Junior Bake Off

We have been contacted and asked by 'Love Productions' to let the parents/carers and pupils of Sherwood Junior School know that they have recently opened applications for the 12th series of **Junior Bake off**, a Channel 4 competition series celebrating Britain's young baking talent!

They are looking for young budding bakers between **9-15 years old** and interested bakers can apply online at - [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk)

Filming would take place from July 2026, but **applications close on Sunday 15th March 2026.**

What an exciting opportunity for budding bakers!



# Height and Weight Measurement Programme for Year 6

**The Healthy Child Programme**  
Supporting the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)  
2025-2026

Dear Family/Carer


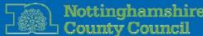





Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust work closely with health, social and educational settings to maximise the health of our local children. Every year all children attending reception classes or in a Year 6 class in schools will be offered to have their height and weight taken (NCMP).

The measurements are carried out by members of the Healthy Family Team. Photos of the team are available in school. Children are measured with their clothes on, except for their outdoor coats and shoes, in a private space away from other pupils. The results are not shown or shared with the children or school.

You will receive a letter if your child is identified outside of the expected weight range for their age, sex and height. You will be offered FREE resources and services that may help your child be the healthiest version of themselves.

If you do not want your child to take part, or your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight, please write in confidence to the school marking the envelope – for the attention of the Healthy Family Team and NCMP within 10 days of receiving this letter. You will need to include your child's name, date of birth, class, school and reasons for opting out.

If you have any concerns with your child's growth, the Healthy Family Team is there for help and advice.  
TELEPHONE: 03001235436  
TEXT: 07520619919



## REMINDER

The annual NHS height and weight measurement for children in Year 6 will take place in school on **Monday 2nd March 2026** organised by the School Nurse.

Nowadays, we all understand the need for healthy diet and regular exercise. This data is collected by the NHS to monitor the well-being of children in our society. I would like to draw your attention to the fact that this is an **optional** measurement programme and you are able to “opt out.” In past years there have been several parents who were not happy for various reasons, but in particular when receiving a letter from the NHS stating that their child was overweight/obese!

I would urge you to read all the information carefully in order that you can make an informed decision about whether or not you would like your child to take part. If no ‘opt out’ form (sent out via letter to parents w/c 2nd February) is received by **Monday 23rd February 2026** we shall assume that you are happy for your child to take part.

Please do not hesitate to contact school if you have any further queries.

## Year 6 trip to Sherwood Forest

### **Year 6 Trip to Sherwood Forest on Wednesday 18th March 2026**

Year 6 are planning to visit Sherwood Forest as part of our English and Topic unit 'Mother Nature's Earth' and our novel this term, 'Kensukes Kingdom'. Throughout the day we will take part in several survival-based activities to mimic the survival skills modelled in the book and explore some of the mini biomes within the forest. The children will take part in orienteering and shelter building so will be outside for the majority of the day.

**The cost of the trip per child is £16.10.** 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 9:30am 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 school uniform on the top (jumper) and joggers/trousers/outdoor wear on the bottom, with sensible footwear, but no football shoes or astro trainers are to be worn. They will also need a warm coat.

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.

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 **Friday 6th March 2026**.

Many thanks,

The Year 6 Team

# YEAR 6

## Parents' Evening



### REMINDER

Our spring term parents' evenings will be held on **Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd March**.

We will be conducting these in person, face to face in school. A letter was sent home last week for you to request a convenient appointment time so please make sure you have checked your child's bag if you have not received it! Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

The Mental Health Support Team will also be present in school for the first hour on **Tuesday 3rd March** for parents to speak to regarding any advice or support they could offer for home around their child's mental health.

We look forward to seeing you all over the two dates.

## Player of the Week



This week, Mrs Bradbury has nominated Evie as Player of the Week for her superb teamwork, skills and perseverance in the Girls Football Club!

Well done Evie!

## Year 5 Residential Meeting

REMINDER

### ***Y5 - The Mill Residential***

As the date for our Y5 residential approaches, we would like to invite you to a meeting in school on **Tuesday 10th February**. The meeting will take place at **3:20pm** in the **top hall**. This will be a great opportunity to find out what the children will be experiencing on their trip, ask any questions you may have, and meet with the staff who are staying with the children at The Mill.

If you are unable to make the meeting, any information given out on the day will be sent home for you.

***Please be aware that this meeting is for parents/carers of pupils who have secured their place on the residential - there are no longer any places available.***

We look forward to seeing you!

Regards,

The Year 5 Team



## Times Table Rock Stars



Congratulations Sherwood! Your first whole school tournament is complete and here are your winners:

### **Battle of the Bs - 5B vs 6B**

6B won with 1377 points

1st: Harrison (9632 points)

2nd: Sophie (9545 points)

3rd: Aurelia (4564 points)

### **The Upper School Rumble - 5BL vs 6P**

5BL won with 454 points

1st: Kayla (7163 points)

2nd: Kian (1119 points)

3rd: Stanley (1042 points)

### **Times Tables Showdown - 4B vs 3H**

4B won with 386 points

1st: Sam (2532 points)

2nd: Michelle (2322 points)

3rd: Miley (1042 points)

### **The TT Takedown: 4S vs 3H**

4S won with 1523 points

1st: Isla (20, 537 points WOW!)

2nd: Eric (6578 points)

3rd: Arjan (6024 points)

Thank you to the whole school for their hard work and effort this week, now on to the next one.

Starting **Wednesday 4th February - Friday 13th February**, we will be holding our next tournament.

6B vs 5BL

6P vs 5B

4B vs 4S

3H vs 3M

## **Sports Celebrations**

This week we have 3 more sports leader who have achieved a new stage of the their leadership scheme!

Congratulations to Amelia for being our second leader to achieve their gold, Mila for her silver and Jesse for his bronze!

A big welcome to our new Y5 leaders who are already working hard and setting a wonderful example to others. We can already tell that they are going to be a great addition to the team.

Other congratulations go to Valentin this week for not only being an exceptional Sports Leader but for earning 2 stripes on his Yellow belt in Judo, a gold medal and an bronze medal all in one weekend! What a young talent he is!

Well done Valentin!



Bikeability Reminder



Just a reminder that we are offering a second round of Bikeability for our Year 6s, which will take place on **Monday 16 March** and **Tuesday 17 March**.

Follow the link to complete the consent form: <https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/throw-stops-buy>

Any previously completed consent forms (paper or electronic) will unfortunately be invalid so will need to be completed again.

If your child was on the previous waiting list, they will now have a priority place.

As a further reminder, all riders will need a fully working bike with working breaks. They must be able to ride without assistance and they **must** have their own **helmet**.

## Year 5 Parent Event

### REMINDER

We're delighted to invite you to our Year 5 Recorder Showcase on **Friday 27th February at 2.45pm**.

Over the past term, the children have been working hard learning to play the recorder, developing their musical skills and gaining confidence as performers. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate their progress and hear the pieces they've been practising. The students are excited to share their musical journey with you, so please do join us for what promises to be an enjoyable afternoon of music-making.

We look forward to seeing you there!

The Year 5 Team



Year 5

## Golden Tickets



Golden tickets are awarded by our Senior Leaders and SENCO (Mrs Simpson, Mrs Bradbury, Mrs Seals, Mrs C Jackson & Mrs Naylor) to individuals, groups or the whole class for demonstrating our school core values, including their attitude to learning and behaviour. Each of the 5 staff members have 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 **4B** for being last week's golden ticket winners and achieving an amazing **13** golden tickets!

Well done to **5B** who are our overall leaders and winners of the golden ticket £50 prize!

## Attendance



The overall attendance for last week was 93%

**182 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.

*The last week's attendance winners were:*

1st: **3H** 98.7% **Brilliant**

Joint 2nd: **6P & 6B** 96.2% **Superb**

### **Recent Illness or Concern**

Information on what to look for and when and where to seek help if you're concerned about an illness that your child may have recently developed (NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Health and Care)

[Child 5 - 11 Years](#)

### **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/>



## 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!

**Every week, our Class Teachers celebrate pupils who shine by demonstrating our Core Values—Accountability, Resilience, and Respect. Winners might show these qualities in their**

**learning, during play or through their consistent attitude all week. It's our way of recognising and rewarding those special moments that make our school community thrive!**

**3H Renae** - For her positive attitude and **accountability** for her learning. Her character description was fabulous!

**3M Dolce** - Showing **resilience** in all aspects of her learning.

**4S Bobby** - For showing **resilience** in gymnastics this week.

**4B Olivia** - For showing **resilience** in writing and producing a fabulous persuasive advert.

**5B Lily** - For being an 'always' child and demonstrating **all** of our core values all of the time.

**5BL Rosa** - For building her **resilience** with coming in to school and for always being amazing.

**6P Lillie** - For being **accountable** - moving away from disruption

**6B Ellis** - For taking the time over the last few weeks to learn to take **accountability** for his actions. It's lovely to see a happier, calmer Ellis.



## 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:** Lucas, Sophia & Hugo

**Year 5:** Koby

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:** Lily-Mae

**Year 4:** Ellie-May, Isabella & Freddie

**Year 6:** Nylah

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:** Renae

**Year 4:** Pola

**Year 5:** Damian, Myles & Amelia

**Year 6:** Dolly

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:** Amelia

Well done to these children for earning their **PLATINUM (125)** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

**Year 3:** Emine

Well done to these children for earning their **RUBY (150)** Reading Award and showing an excellent level of dedication to reading at home:

**Year 3:** Ava

**Year 4:** Sam

**Year 6:** Jayden, Harrison & Aurelia











## Birthday Books



Happy birthday and happy reading to these children:

Year 3: Parker

Year 4: Isabella, Madison & Eric

Year 5: Jaxson

Year 6: Chloe

## This Week's School Dinner Menu

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*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.*

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Please see 'Week 3' menu for week beginning 9 February

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

**Taste of Asia**

**Week 3**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Option 1</b>	Chicken & tomato pasta Mustard Soya Gluten with garlic bread, Gluten Milk Soya & sweetcorn	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
	Jacket potato available daily, served with your choice of: baked beans & cheese Milk or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg				
<b>Pudding</b>	Jelly with a cookie Gluten	Iced carrot cake Gluten Egg Sulphur Dioxide	Chocolate Cracknell Gluten Milk	Butterscotch shortcake Gluten Milk Soya	JimJam 'Nut Free' Chocolate brownie Egg Milk Gluten
	AVAILABLE DAILY: Best of both bread Gluten, Soya & fresh fruit.				

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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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