

## NEWSLETTER – JULY 2023

### RESIDENTIALS

It was lovely to finally be able to start our Residential again. Over the past 5 weeks, 180 pupils have been away on residential visits!!

Year 2	Whiteley Woods (1 night), Sheffield
Year 3	Losehill Hall (1 night), Castleton
Year 3/4	Haggerston Castle, Northumberland (2 nights)
Year 5	Haggerston Castle, Northumberland (2 nights)
Year 6	Porthmadog, Wales (3 nights)

We had so many wonderful comments (venues and coach companies) about how well behaved and polite the children were. We know they all had a wonderful time. There are photos from the trips up on the screen in the entrance lobby. Thank you to all the staff who went on the trips.

### TRIPS

This year has been packed with exciting trips, as we have tried to catch up on all the out of school learning experiences we were not able to deliver during COVID times. Trips have included Weston Park Museum, Endcliffe Park, Millhouses Park, Heeley City Farm, Creswell Crags, Yorkshire Sculpture Park, Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Crucial Crew, Conisbrough Castle, Jorvik Viking Museum, South Yorkshire Transport Museum and the Beamish Museum ... and we still have the seaside trip to Filey for Y2 to Y6 as well as some final trips for Y6 planned for the last week of term!

We are conscious that the summer term has been expensive for families - even with the school subsidising trips and successfully bidding for some grant funding from the Henry Smith Foundation. We do try to keep our costs as low as possible and will continue to look at ways of keeping prices low, whilst still ensuring the children get lots of exciting opportunities.

### SPORTS DAY

It was also fantastic to have a Sports Day again this year - for the first time in several years. The children were brilliant - and so were parents! Thank you to Natalie and Kamran for making this such a successful event.

### SPORTS AWARD

Sharrow won the School Games Award at the Sheffield Schools Get Active Awards 2023! The school was recognised for the wide and varied opportunities provided for all pupils. The judges commented on the children's great sportsmanship, team work and exemplary behaviour that they demonstrate at all the events and competitions.

### TRANSITION WEEK

All the children will move to their new classes for the last week of term. This will give them an opportunity to get to know the new adults in their base before the summer holiday.

## DINNERS

The council and the catering contractor, Taylor Shaw, have advised us there will be an increase in the cost of school meals from September:-

Nursery	£2.00 per meal
Reception and Year 1 & 2	Universal infant free school meals (no charge)
Year 3 to Year 6	£2.30 per meal (£11.50 per week)

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you pay for dinners but think you should be entitled to benefits-related free school meals, please do come to the office so we can double check that we have your correct address, date of birth and National Insurance number. Parents/carers with no recourse to public funds could also be eligible for free school meals in some instances. If you think you may qualify for this then please come in to see the office team.

## PARENTS EVENINGS

If you have not yet booked in your year-end report meeting with your child's teacher then please come to the office so the office team can get this booked in for you.

## HOLIDAY CLUB

The holiday club will be running again through the summer holidays at a cost of £35 per day (or £5.50 per hour for nursery & children's centre pupils). There are a limited number of places so please make sure you book as soon as possible if you want a place - booking form on the back page. All bookings will need to be finalised by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July so we can finish the staffing rotas and prepare registers.

## HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES - AFTERNOONS AND SATURDAYS

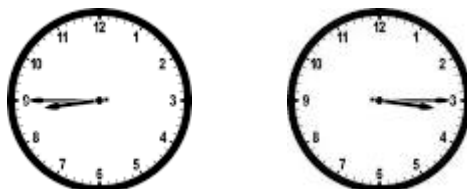
Sheffield City Trust are also running free sport / activity sessions over the summer on Thursdays (3pm to 5pm) and Saturdays (1.30-3.30pm). Book online at [www.sheffieldcitytrust.org](http://www.sheffieldcitytrust.org).

## NURSERY / CHILDREN'S CENTRE PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER

We are currently finalising our Nursery and Children's place offers for September. If you are looking for a place and have not yet applied, please come in to see the office team as soon as possible. If you are applying for 30 hours of free childcare, make sure you have applied before 31<sup>st</sup> July. <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>. If you have a 2-year-old and think you may be eligible for 15 hours of free childcare, please ask the office to run the check for you.

## SCHOOL HOURS

We will be adjusting our school hours slightly in September. **Lessons will be starting at 8.45am and finishing at 3.15pm.** Attendance and punctuality will be a huge focus for us next year. Please use the summer to plan new morning routines so children get into school in time to have some breakfast and chat to their friends before school starts. This way lessons will be able to start promptly and children will be able to focus on their learning.



## LAST DAY OF TERM

The last day of term will be **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. Children are back on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September**. Please see the calendar for 23/24 overleaf.

**Sharrow School**

## Sharrow School Calendar 2023/2024

Autumn Term																						
Sept						Oct					Nov					Dec						
Mon		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	
Tues		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25			1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27
Thur		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26			2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28
Fri	1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29
Sat	2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28			4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30
Sun	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31

Spring Term																						
Jan						Feb					Mar					Apr						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	
Tues	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	
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Sun	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25			3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	

Summer Term																																						
		May									June									July									Aug									
Mon			6	13	20	27						3	10	17	24						1	8	15	22	29						5	12	19	26				
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■ Bank Holiday
 ■ School Holidays
 ■ Staff Training Days (School Closed)
 ■ Weekends