

SHERINGTON WEEKLY

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Friday 10th November 2023



This week

Assemblies

Mr O'Leary kicked off the week with an assembly on democracy and the election process at Sherington for members of Student Council. On Thursday, the final of our British Values was examined. Individual liberty is perhaps the most complex for children to understand. It's having the freedom to make our own choices and do what we want - within reason. As long as we respect the other three British values (including the rule of law) and the rights of others, then we are free to pursue our ambitions, and follow our own will. Children provided excellent examples of where this is true at Sherington.

Football

On Thursday, our girls' football team took part in a tournament at Charlton's training ground. The team finished third in this, their first competition of the new academic year. They showed great teamwork and enormous bravery throughout the course of the day.

Word of the Day

This week's vocabulary has been: composed, battered, coarse, endless and meddlesome. How can you weave these in to this weekend's conversation?

Attendance

The award for last week's attendance goes to 2A and 3A with 99.3%

Dates for your diary

Children in Need

On Friday 17th November, we are asking all children at Sherington to get their spots out - to be SPOTACULAR - and to contribute £1.00 if possible. Please wear spotty own clothes, not uniform. Thank you.



Open English Morning

Parents and carers in years 1 to 6 are invited to our Open English Morning. This is an opportunity to join your child(ren) in the classroom and take part in a reading lesson with them. It will be from 9am on Tuesday 21st November. Please look out for more information closer to the time. Always popular with parents and carers, these sessions were a regular occurrence prior to covid and its aftermath. We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible into our classrooms on that morning.

Rescheduled Parents evening dates

Nursery: Monday 27th & Tuesday 28th November (afternoons)

Reception to 6D -Tuesday 28th & Wednesday 29th November

6A - Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th December

Sign up went live on Monday 6th November. Please let the office know if you are having problems booking.

Childcare survey

To get a really good understanding of parent and carer needs around childcare for their children from age 0 - 18 (including children/young people with SEND), please take some time to complete this survey. The anonymous information will help the local authority plan for childcare from January 2024.

The URL or direct link for the survey is

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RBGCSA2023-Parents>

If you need help with the survey, please contact fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk or call 020 8932 6921.

The closing date for this survey is Friday 24th November. Thank you.

Christmas Concerts

The dates for the Christmas Concerts will be:

Nursery: Monday 18th December at 11.30

Reception & KS1 at 9am and KS2 at 10am on

Tuesday 19th December

Wednesday 20th December

Thursday 21st December

Tickets were sent home with the children today. Please note, it is two tickets per family and this cannot be increased due to limited space. If you are unable to attend, please return your tickets to the school office.

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PARENTS & CARERS
TELL US ABOUT
YOUR CHILDCARE
NEEDS**

FILL OUT THIS SHORT
ONLINE SURVEY SO WE CAN
PLAN CHILDCARE PROVISION

FIS@royalgreenwich.gov.uk
or 020 8921 6921

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Useful Information

School Meals



FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM SEPTEMBER

Dear Parents/Guardian,
From the new Autumn term commencing September 2023, all children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 living in Greater London will be offered Free School Meals.

In response to the rising cost of living, the Mayor of London has made a commitment that every primary school child is entitled to a Free School Meal. This important step extends the existing Free School Meal provision - currently available to children in reception, and years 1 and 2 - to all primary school children in Greater London.

Chartwells Schools - as your catering partner - design nutritious seasonal menus, lovingly created by our team of talented chefs and dedicated nutritionists, who make sure the menus are packed with all the ingredients children need to grow strong and healthy.

Every day there is a choice of two hot main courses, jacket potatoes, pasta or a packed lunch. The meals are nutritionally balanced and feature familiar favourites as well as exciting new flavours, to encourage children to try something different.

We also cater for children with allergies and intolerances, so they can feel safe and included with their friends whilst eating school meals. If your child has a dietary requirement, please read the attached letter from the Chartwells Medical Diet Team to ensure we can cater for all children from September. Please provide all information as soon as possible, and before 21st July 2023, to allow the Medical Diets team enough time to develop an appropriate menu for your child/children. Please visit your school's website for any further information on how to order meals in advance.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IF MY CHILD DOESN'T WANT TO EAT SCHOOL MEALS?
The primary intention is that all children eat their school meals. However, if your child does not want to eat their school meals, you can opt for a packed lunch. We will ensure your child has a choice of hot and cold drinks to accompany their school meals.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN A SCHOOL MEAL?
A school meal consists of a hot main course, a hot or cold drink, and a dessert. We also offer a choice of jacket potatoes, pasta, or a packed lunch. We will ensure your child has a choice of hot and cold drinks to accompany their school meals.

HOW DO I ORDER AND PAY FOR SCHOOL MEALS?
School meals are ordered through the school office. Payment can be made in advance or on a termly basis. We will ensure your child has a choice of hot and cold drinks to accompany their school meals.

MAKING HEALTHY CHOICES

AT CHARTWELLS, WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT THE QUALITY AND VARIETY OF OUR SCHOOL MEALS. WE WANT TO HELP CHILDREN MAKE HEALTHY CHOICES AND ENJOY A NUTRITIOUS SCHOOL MEAL TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THEIR DAY.

Chartwells school meals have been designed to be a healthy and balanced choice for your child. We will ensure your child has a choice of hot and cold drinks to accompany their school meals.

THE BENEFITS OF SCHOOL MEALS

NURTURING CHILDREN'S HEALTHY HABITS
Children learn about healthy eating habits and develop a positive attitude towards food.

EDUCATION & CONCENTRATION
Children who eat school meals are more likely to concentrate in class and perform better in school.

THEY ARE FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6
So that every child can enjoy their school meals.

TASTY THREE DAYS
Offering a choice of hot and cold drinks to accompany their school meals.

MAKING FOOD FUN
We will ensure your child has a choice of hot and cold drinks to accompany their school meals.

WE EDUCATE AND INSPIRE CHILDREN WITH OUR BEYOND THE CLASSROOM OUTSIDE EXPERIENCES

Save up to £450 per term!

Please inform the office if you wish to change your child's meal pattern for this term. Thank you.

Please note that Sherington has a no debt policy. Please clear any debt you may have accrued last term. Thank you.

[Menu - Sherington Primary School](#)

Governors

Sherington governors share the enthusiasm and excitement for learning that pupils and staff have and are proud of Sherington's outstanding achievements. We are committed to the Sherington vision of "Aspire, Believe, Create, Achieve" and between us we bring a wide variety of skills and experience to our role. Governors can be contacted on governors@sherington.greenwich.sch.uk

For more information, click here: [Sherington Governors](#)

Uniform

Please ensure all uniform is labelled. This helps us return lost items. Lost property can be found in the office foyer

Walking home

Please inform the office in writing if your Year 5 or 6 child will be walking home alone. Thank you.

Absence Reporting

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please report this using the absence line: 020 8858 5497 - option 1. Absences must be reported daily.

From Monday 13th March if you are reporting your child absent via email please use our new attendance email attendance@sherington.greenwich.sch.uk.

Any evidence relating to absences i.e. Dr appointments, prescriptions etc. should also be sent to this address. You can continue to report absences by phone using the absence line. All other general enquiries should continue to be sent to sao@sherington.greenwich.sch.uk

Parents and carers are reminded of the importance of high attendance. High attendance leads to great achievement. We receive a number of requests for pupils to be absent from school during term time. Parents are reminded that the school cannot authorise a leave of absence for a holiday and we will only grant a leave of absence for exceptional circumstances. Every day of school missed by a pupil reduces their attendance by 0.5%, meaning that a child with 95% attendance has missed ten whole days of school and a child with 90% attendance has missed twenty whole days of school. By the time a pupil is persistently absent (85% attendance), they have missed six weeks, or half a term, of schooling.

Days Absent at the End of the Year	Absence Percentage	Attendance Percentage at End of Year
1	0.5%	99.5%
5	2.5%	97.5%
10	5%	95%
20	10%	90%
30	15%	85%

Punctuality is crucial so that children are settled and ready to learn together. School starts at 8.55am.

Term dates

Autumn Term 2

Monday 30th October 2023—Thursday 21st December 2023

Christmas Holiday

Friday 22nd December 2023—Friday 5th January 2024

Spring Term 1

INSET: Monday 8th January 2024Children return to school on Tuesday 9th January****

Tuesday 9th January 2024- Friday 9th February 2024

Half Term

Monday 12th February—Friday 16th February 2024

In the local area

Greenwich Supports

Get help with the cost of living.

You can find lots of information here about support from the council, local charities, and community groups.

<https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/Greenwich-Supports>

GREENWICH

SUPPORTS

Here to listen, advise and help



Young Greenwich Parent Drop In

PARENT DROP IN

NOVEMBER 2023

**WOOLWICH
COMMON**
YOUTH HUB

7TH NOVEMBER
2023
10 - 11 AM

144 NIGHTINGALE PL, SE18 4HE

**VALLEY
CENTRAL**
YOUTH HUB

8TH NOVEMBER
2023
10 - 11 AM

THE VALLEY, FLOYD RD, SE7 8BL

HAWKSMOOR
YOUTH HUB

14TH NOVEMBER
2023
12:30 - 1:30 PM

2 ORIOLE WAY, SE28 8FE

**AVERY
HILL**
YOUTH HUB

22ND NOVEMBER
2023
10 - 11 AM

ANSTRIDGE RD, SE9 2LL

OUR SERVICE IS OPEN TO ALL FAMILIES OF SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN
ACROSS GREENWICH
WE ADVISE AND SUPPORT CHILD HEALTH ISSUES SUCH AS HEALTHY
WEIGHT, TOILETING, FUSSY EATING, BEHAVIOUR, SLEEP AND MUCH
MORE...

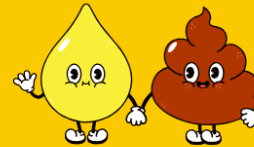
**YOUNG
GREENWICH**

THIS MONTHS TOPIC
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PEES AND POOS

THIS SESSION WILL INCLUDE:

- . CONSTIPATION
- . TOILET TRAINING
- . BEDWETTING
- . SOILING
- . TOILET ANXIETY



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