

# SHERINGTON WEEKLY

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Friday 17th November 2023



## This week

### Assemblies

On Monday morning, Mr Woodhurst (our brass teacher) played The Last Post to signal a two-minute silence during our Remembrance assembly in which pupils had time to reflect on the significance of this event both historically and presently, and the enduring work carried out by members of the Royal British Legion.

On Monday afternoon, Charlie Kirk and Terry Taylor from Charlton Athletic came to visit. They hosted an assembly during which pupils had the chance to ask questions about the life of a professional footballer – and others that covered a range of pertinent topics. After the assembly, members of our football teams took time to have photos taken with the players and talk to them more about their own experiences.



On Wednesday morning, year 6 pupils presented their School Journey assembly to pupils in year 5 and parents and carers from years 5 and 6. Pupils performed with zest and the script was full of humour. The audience were incredibly appreciative.

### Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who donated and wore spots today. We have raised a whopping £271.10 so far!



## Word of the Day

This week's vocabulary has been: trace, circle, texture pierce and satisfy. How can you weave these in to this weekend's conversation?

## Attendance

The award for last week's attendance goes to 2A with 99.1%

## Dates for your diary

### 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

### 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.

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

If you need help with the survey, please contact [fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk) or call 020 8932 6921.

The closing date is Friday 24th November. Thank you.



**GREENWICH  
PARENTS & CARERS  
TELL US ABOUT  
YOUR CHILDCARE  
NEEDS**

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

[FIS@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:FIS@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)  
or 020 8921 6921

ROYAL BOROUGH OF  
GREENWICH

The poster features two cartoon characters: a man in an orange shirt and green pants holding a clipboard, and a woman in a green jacket and dark pants holding a megaphone. A QR code is positioned between them.

### **Christmas Jumper day**

Christmas Jumper day will be Friday 8th December.

### **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

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.

### **Festive afternoon**

Tuesday 19th of December, 3:30-5:30 in the school hall.

Friends of Sherington are excited to invite you to a festive afternoon of cake eating, hot chocolate drinking and holiday crafting.

The Official North Pole letter box will be open for your letters to Father Christmas.

## 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 seasonal flavours 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 Diet 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.

**Chartwells**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

WHAT IF MY CHILD DOESN'T WANT TO EAT THE SCHOOL MEAL? We understand that some children may not like the school meal. However, it is important that all children try the school meal. If your child does not like the school meal, they can have a packed lunch or a drink of water. If your child does not like the school meal, they can have a drink of water.

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**LOVE SCHOOL MEALS**

NUTRITIOUS FOOD AND MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES

**MAKING HEALTHY CHOICES**

AT CHARTWELLS, WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF SCHOOL MEALS. OUR CHARTWELLS MEDICAL DIET TEAM WORKS WITH THE CHARTWELLS SCHOOLS TO ENSURE ALL CHILDREN CAN ENJOY A HEALTHY AND DELICIOUS SCHOOL MEAL. WE OFFER A RANGE OF MEALS TO SUIT ALL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING VEGAN, VEGETARIAN, HALAL AND KOSHER. WE ALSO OFFER A RANGE OF DRINKS, INCLUDING WATER, MILK AND JUICE. WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A HEALTHY AND DELICIOUS SCHOOL MEAL FOR ALL CHILDREN.

**THE BENEFITS OF SCHOOL MEALS**

**IMPROVED HEALTH**  
Children who eat school meals are healthier and have a lower risk of obesity and other health problems.

**IMPROVED CONCENTRATION**  
Children who eat school meals are better able to concentrate in school.

**THEY ARE FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6**  
(and in your school about opening your child's order)

**TASTY THREE DAYS**  
We offer a choice of two hot main courses, jacket potatoes, pasta or a packed lunch. The meals are nutritionally balanced and feature seasonal flavours as well as exciting new flavours, to encourage children to try something different.

**WE EDUCATE AND INSPIRE CHILDREN WITH OUR BUDGET THE CHARTWELLS OFFERS INFORMATION**

Save up to £400 a year on school meals

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 2024\*\*Children 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>

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**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...

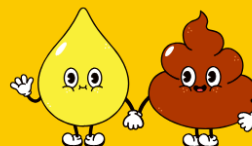
**YOUNG  
GREENWICH**

THIS MONTHS TOPIC  
IS .....

## PEES AND POOS

THIS SESSION WILL INCLUDE:

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



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