

SHERINGTON WEEKLY

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Friday 6th October 2023



This week

Assemblies

Black History Month was introduced on Monday through an assembly led by Ms. Silkin. This year's campaign theme was also announced - 'Saluting Our Sisters'. Children had a chance to share their knowledge of well-known women of colour, including Lauren James, Mary Seacole and Floella Benjamin. Throughout the month, each class will be learning more about a female diversity champion in preparation for a show-case assembly at the end of the month to teach each other about these incredible women.

Yesterday was National Poetry Day and this year's theme is Refuge. Ms Peterson lead an assembly where pupils from years 1 to 6 learnt a poem and recited it as a whole school. The whispered version was magical. There have been poems on the theme of refuge displayed across the school and teachers have been reading more poetry today. What poems might you share this weekend?

Word of the Day

This week's vocabulary has been: credit, effect, infer, evaluate and review. How can you weave these in to this weekend's conversation?

Year 1 educational visit

This afternoon, pupils in year 1 visited Greenwich Pleasaunce to collect natural materials for their art work inspired by Andy Goldsworthy. Children have been taught about sustainability and leaving the environment as they found it. And of course, they will be collecting only material that has already fallen from plants.

Attendance

The award for last week's attendance goes to 3F with 99.1%.

Dates for your diary

Clubs next week

Please note there will be no Football club (Monday), Basketball club (Tuesday) Multisports (Friday). There will also be no boys' and girls' football team training next week as Mr Flynn is away on the Year 6 School Journey.

Reception Parents and Carers

Our meet the teaching team sessions are organised differently for our reception classes. Next Wednesday, 11th October, parents and carers of children in reception are invited to attend a session we call 'How to help your child at home.'

It starts at 9am in the main school hall.

This session aims to provide you with an overview of the Early Years curriculum and how this is taught in reception. We will also share ideas on how you can best support your child's learning and development at home. The last part of the session will be time spent in the reception classrooms where you will meet the teaching teams who work alongside your children.

We look forward to seeing you on **Wednesday at 9am in the school hall.**

Parent Consultations

Nursery Parent / Carer meetings with Ms Silkin will take place on the **mornings** of Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th October. An email and text notification was sent earlier today. Please book your place online.

For **reception to year 6**, Teacher Parent / Carer meetings will take place on Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th October (with the exception of 6A whose will also be on Monday 16th) All meetings are 10 minutes.

For reception to year 6, a link was sent home via text and email on Monday 2nd October. If you have any issues, please contact the school office.

Harvest Assembly

Friday 20th October Key Stage 1 at 9am and Key Stage 2 at 9:30am.

We will be collecting donations for Greenwich Food Bank from Monday 16th October via the office. We will share the list with you as soon as we have it. Parents/carers are welcome to attend these assemblies.

Year 6 parents

Please note that the deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October. For further information, please visit [Secondary school admission guide | Apply for a secondary school place | Royal Borough of Greenwich \(royalgreenwich.gov.uk\)](#)

Flu Vaccination program

As part of the National Childhood Vaccination schedule your child is being offered the nasal flu vaccination. This is being offered routinely to all children in special schools and children in primary and secondary schools in the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

Please Use the QR Code or follow the link to complete the consent online at:



<https://app.schoolscreener.com/Portal/#/Oxleas/imms/Oxi2324Flu/100141>

If you experience difficulties accessing the eConsent system, please email: parentsupport@schoolscreener.com and they will be able to assist you.

If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, You Must Decline using the eConsent Form. This will automatically remove your child from the flu programme, and we will not contact you further.

The vaccination session will be held at Sherington Primary School on Tuesday the 31st October 2023.

Friends of Sherington

Just like last year, FOS are organising a Product Fundraiser with Xmas 4 Schools. (They turn children's artwork into cards and other products. £1 from each product sold is raised for the school.) These are being sent home with the children today on behalf of the Friends of Sherington and are **completely optional**. Please note that the deadline for returning your child's design is Wednesday 1st November.

Term dates

Half Term

Monday 23rd October 2023 –Friday 27th October 2023

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 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024

Xmas4schools.co.uk Beautiful FUNDRAISING CHRISTMAS PRODUCTS FROM CHILDREN'S Artwork

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Don't miss the chance to have your child's artwork turned into beautiful Christmas cards, poster calendars, mugs, gift labels, or our fabulous waffle textured tea towels and help the school at the same time!

It's that time of year again and your child will either have already created their own special Christmas design at school/nursery, or will have brought the materials to do it home. This is a great opportunity to turn their creation into a range of professionally printed products, which you are able to purchase for family and friends this Christmas.

£1.00 from the sale of each product will go straight back to the school/nursery or PTA!

Christmas Cards
12x A6 Cards & Envelopes
A3 Poster Calendar
Tea Towels
Soft, waffle textured tea towel
Blank Cards
12x A6 Cards & Envelopes
Mugs
1x Mug
Gift Labels
(Self Adhesive) 12x Labels


For prices please go to www.xmas4schools.co.uk

Please complete the form on the reverse of your child's artwork and return it to school by the date indicated. Once we have received your forms, we will send you an email and text message containing your order code and a link to our online ordering portal. Enter your order code to log in and complete your order and make payment.

Many thanks & we look forward to receiving your order.

Our very best wishes,
The Xmas4Schools Team

Call us today on
0800 612 7381 Registered in England
Cobbs Wood Industrial Estate No. 04239188
Ashford, Kent, TN23 1EP www.xmas4schools.co.uk



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?

It's perfectly normal for children to be picky eaters. We encourage parents to encourage their child to try new foods. If your child doesn't eat the school meal, we can provide a packed lunch or a hot drink. We also have a list of alternative foods that we can provide.

WHAT IF MY CHILD HAS AN ALLERGY?

We have a dedicated team of nutritionists who will work with you to ensure your child's meal is safe and healthy. We can provide a list of alternative foods that we can provide.

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LOVE SCHOOL MEALS

NUTRITIOUS FOOD AND MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES

MAKING HEALTHY CHOICES

AT CHARTWELLS, WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT OUR CHILDREN AND OUR COMMITMENT TO PROVIDING THEM WITH THE BEST SCHOOL MEALS TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THEIR DAY.

Chartwells school meals have been designed to be a healthy and balanced part of your child's diet. We use fresh, seasonal ingredients and offer a variety of options to suit all tastes.

THE BENEFITS OF SCHOOL MEALS

MAKING CHILDREN HEALTHIER

Children benefit from a healthy diet. School meals provide a balanced and nutritious meal that helps children to grow strong and healthy.

THEY ARE FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

It's a great school benefit that every child can enjoy.

TASTY THREE DAYS

Whether it's your child's favourite food or a new flavour, we have a variety of options to suit all tastes. We also have a list of alternative foods that we can provide.

MAKING FOOD FUN

We use fresh, seasonal ingredients and offer a variety of options to suit all tastes. We also have a list of alternative foods that we can provide.

WE EDUCATE AND INSPIRE CHILDREN WITH OUR BEYOND THE CHARTWELLS OUTREACH PROGRAMME

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

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.

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>



Parent drop in



PARENT DROP IN

OCTOBER 2023



THIS WEEKS TOPIC IS



TRANSITION TO RECEPTION

DATE: TUESDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2023
TIME: 10 AM - 11 AM
ADDRESS: WOOLWICH COMMON YOUTH HUB,
144 NIGHTINGALE PL. LONDON SE18 4HE
COST: FREE





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0208 317 6319

oxl-tr.younggreenwichhealth@nhs.net









PARENT DROP IN

OCTOBER 2023





THIS WEEKS TOPIC IS



TRANSITION TO RECEPTION




DATE: WEDNESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2023
TIME: 12 PM - 1 PM
ADDRESS: AVERY HILL YOUTH HUB.:
ANSTRIDGE RD. LONDON SE9 2LL
COST: FREE

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Blackheath Rhinos Holiday camp

Blackheath Rhinos run three of our after school clubs (Ballskills, Multisports and Athletics)

Please see flyer below.





THIS ENTITLES YOU TO ONE FREE CAMP DAY

Coupon code: **SHERINGTON CAMPS**
@ blackheathrhinos.co.uk/book

Holiday Camp

23rd - 27th October 2023



MORNING SESSIONS	£10
10:00 - 12:30	
AFTERNOON SESSIONS	£10
13:30 - 16:00	
FULL DAY SESSIONS	£17.50
10:00 - 16:00 (1hr lunch break)	
WHOLE WEEK	£70
10:00 - 16:00	
EXTENDED SESSION PER DAY	£30
09:00 - 17:00	