

Sherwood Primary School NEWSLETTER

23/10/2026



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

It is hard to believe that we are already halfway through the Autumn Term! It has been a fantastic half term filled with new experiences and opportunities for our children to collaborate and work together. Our pupils continue to impress us with their enthusiasm for learning, their caring attitudes towards others and their willingness to challenge themselves. Their achievements, both inside and outside the classroom, give us so much to celebrate, and we are very proud of all they have accomplished so far this year. I would also like to take a moment to recognise our youngest learners in EYFS, who have made such a positive start to their school journey. Starting school is a significant milestone for both children and families, and our new starters have settled wonderfully into school life. Well done Team Sherwood!

JUNIOR PARKRUN

On Sunday morning, 45 Sherwood children (EYFS-Y6) ran the Avenham Park Junior Parkrun together. For the second time, we helped the event to achieve its highest attendance to date! Well done to all our runners – we even had some personal best achievements! The event takes place every Sunday morning at 9am. We have a number of children now attending regularly and the event is certainly growing in popularity. [Please click here for further details.](#)

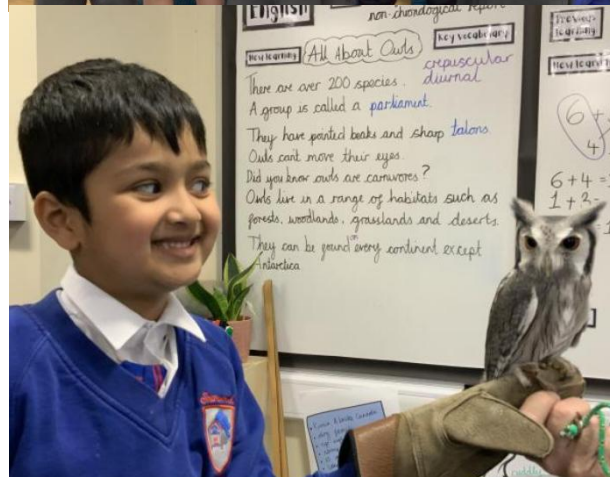
FUNDRAISING SUPPORT

Thank you for your support with our fundraising efforts this week. We are delighted to share that our Book Fair was a tremendous success! With your support, we have raised an amazing **£1,149.67** to spend on new books for our school. Our Reading Champions are already looking forward to helping us to choose exciting new titles to refresh and enhance our bookshelves.

A huge thank you also goes to everyone who contributed to today's non-uniform day. The **£1150.00** raised will support the development of our school Orchard and Growing Zone. You may also have noticed that some of the equipment on our Infant Yard is beginning also requires replacement. For everyone's safety, please keep young children off the coned area. Thank you again.

SHERWOOD SPORT

Our hockey and football teams were in action this week. Congratulations to all our players for demonstrating our values through sport!



FRIENDS OF SHERWOOD PTA

Following the recent departure of two committee members, our capacity to organise school fundraising events has significantly reduced. If you would be interested in joining the PTA, supporting fundraising activities, or simply finding out more about how you could help, I would be delighted to hear from you. Every contribution, big or small, makes a real difference to the opportunities and experiences we can provide for our children.

YOUR CHILD'S DIGITAL JOURNEY

Your child's digital journey is their long-term, and increasingly unsupervised exposure to and interaction with the internet and digital technologies. You play a vital role by fostering open conversations about online activity and behaviour, using parental control tools to create a safe environment, and ensuring children develop skills to navigate the digital world responsibly. Artificial intelligence now adds further complexity to the content and contact that our children are vulnerable to. [Please click here for further parental guidance.](#)

SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD

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You may also be interested in learning more about the [Smartphone Free Childhood campaign](#). This is a national initiative that is gaining increasing interest within our local community. Please [click here](#) for further information.

If this is something that you are passionate about, we would love to hear your thoughts. Subject to interest, we could bring together a group of parents to discuss the issue, share perspectives and explore possible next steps as a school community. Please let us know if you'd like to get involved!

Pictured here, our Park-runners and our Player in Education Performance of Toy Story. Please visit our website gallery to view and celebrate the breath of our curriculum this half term.

LOOKING AHEAD TO AUTUMN 2

The diary is already filling for the next half term. There's lots of look forward to. Here's [our calendar](#) for next half term. Enjoy a lovely rest and the beauty of Autumn next week!

Yours,



PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Next half term, you are invited to attend a consultation meeting with your child's class teacher to review your child's progress and discuss next steps.

Booking is live and filling up fast on School Spider.

There is the option of a face-to-face appointment after school or an online zoom appointment during the school day.

Face-face Consultation Appointments

Monday 9th November (3.40-5.20pm)

Monday 16th November (3.40-5.20pm)

Face to face appointments will take place in the school hall. Please enter School through the School main entrance.

Our Online Consultation appointment dates with each class teacher are now on our calendar for your reference. We look forward to meeting with you next half term.

DINNER MONEY

The cost of school meals for **Autumn 2** is **£105.00**, which is for 7 weeks. Please make payment via parent pay and we kindly request that school meals are kept in credit. Thank you.

PE TIMETABLE -AUTUMN 2

Our children in Key Stage 2 are invited to attend School in PE kit on the following days:

Monday – Year 5/Class 5B also require swimming kit.

Tuesday – Year 6

Wednesday – Year 4 and Year 6

Thursday – Year 4 and Year 5

Friday – Year 3

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

Our pupil-led shop will be open today 3-3.30pm. Come along and grab a spare item or two!



BASE FEES

BASE Fees for the next Autumn half term are now live on Parent pay. The deadline for payment is **2nd November 2026 at 4pm**.

In line with our Pay Policy, advance payment per half term is required to secure your child's place. We are unable to accommodate late payments. Thank you.

REMEMBRANCE – POPPY APPEAL

Poppies will be on sale in school when we return from Monday 2nd November. We also have the following items for sale to support the British Legion Poppy Appeal:

Festival bands £1.00

Snap Band rulers £1.00

Coat/bag Reflectors £1.00

Paper poppies 20p



SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE

The closing date for secondary school applications is 31st October 2026 – this falls during half term. Here are a few final reminders from the Pupil Access Team:

The online system is open, please apply using this link <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school/>

An application must be submitted for **all Year 6 children**, even if they already have a sibling attending the preferred secondary school.

Home to school transport should be considered when choosing a school. It is important that families can get their child to and from school once a place is offered.

Calling all Little Elves...

SCAN ME TO SIGN UP... 

This Christmas, Players in Education is heading straight to the North Pole for six weeks of festive Performing Arts fun!

Meet Team Red - organised, prepared and VERY fond of rules...

... and Team Green - creative, chaotic and convinced rules are made to be broken.

They definitely don't mix... but when Christmas is suddenly at risk, they'll have to work together to save the big day!

We will ACT, SING, DANCE, improvise and create as we build confidence, make friends and prepare for our big Christmas performance!

ONLY £54.00 FOR THE FULL COURSE

Six weeks. ONE CHRISTMAS SHOW. A WHOLE LOT OF ELF CHAOS!

PLAYERSDRAMASCHOOL.CO.UK/
PLAYERS-IN-EDUCATION/

     **Players**
07368 342092

For boys and girls aged 6+

BE A CHORISTER FOR THE DAY

Sunday 15 November 2026, 4.00 - 7.15 PM



Come and see what being a Broughton Chorister at Christmas is really like!

Join us for some lively, singing, fun team games, the chance to try on choir robes and explore our organ! Refreshments provided, plus a certificate and goody bag for every participant!

Register your child's place by emailing broughtonchurchchoir@gmail.com



October Half Term Groups at a glance

Monday 26th October - Saturday 31st October 2026

Monday

- Messy Play @Ribbleton 09.30-11am
- Baby & You @West 09.30-11am
- Messy Play @West 09.30-11am
- Mini Move & Groove @East 09.30-11am
- Mini Colourful Footsteps @Riverbank 1-2.30pm
- Colourful Footsteps @Ribbleton 4.30-6pm
- Step Up to Youthwork @Moor Nook 3.30-5pm

Tuesday

- Baby & You @Ribbleton 09.30-11am
- Story Time @West 09.30-11am
- Stay & Play @Moor Nook 09.30-11am
- Music Group @Riverbank 1-2.30pm
- Family Stay & Play @Riverbank 3.30-5pm
- Family Stay & Play @West 3.30-5pm

Wednesday

- Sensory Play @Riverbank 09.30-11am
- Halloween Party @Moor Nook 11am-2pm **bookable**

Thursday

- Stay & Play @West 09.30-11am
- Halloween Party @Riverbank 1pm-4pm **bookable**
- Mini Colourful Footsteps @Ribbleton 1pm-2.30pm
- Stay & Play @Ribbleton 3.30-5pm

Friday

- Sensory Play @West 09.30-11am
- Baby & You @Riverbank 09.30-11am
- Mini Move & Groove @Ribbleton 09.30-11am
- Story Time @East 09.30-11am
- Stay & Play @Riverbank 1-2.30pm
- Stay & Play @West 1-2.30pm

Saturday

- Dad's & Male Carers Group @Moor Nook 10-11.30am

All Groups are Free

FAMILY HUBS AND CENTRE ADDRESSES

RIBBLETON FAMILY HUB, RIBBLETON HALL DRIVE, PRESTON, PR2 6EE
RIVERBANK FAMILY HUB, BRIERYFIELD ROAD, PRESTON, PR1 8SR
PRESTON WEST FAMILY HUB, AINSDALE DRIVE, PRESTON, PR2 1TU
MOOR NOOK FAMILY HUB & YOUTH ZONE, BURHOLME ROAD, PRESTON, PR2 6HN
PRESTON EAST FAMILY CENTRE, WATLING STREET ROAD, PRESTON, PR2 6TU

TEL: 01772 539444

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Weighing Clinics and Support Groups:

Weighing Clinic. Monday @Preston West Family Hub 09.15-11.15am
Breastfeeding Support Group. Tuesdays @Ribbleton Family Hub 10-11.30am
Weighing Clinic. Wednesday @Ribbleton Family Hub 09.15-11.15am

FAMILY HUBS NETWORK Supporting children, young people and families to succeed in Lancashire

