



# SHAWFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Congratulations to our children

### Shine Award:

<b>Chestnut</b>	Freddie	Trust
<b>Beech</b>	Esme	Aspiration
<b>Maple</b>	Ethan	Resilience
<b>Rowan</b>	Jayden	Trust
<b>Ash</b>	Darcey	Respect
<b>Oak</b>	Lee	Trust
<b>Willow</b>	Emily	Respect



### Congratulations to the following children on achieving their Silver Awards:

<b>Rowan</b>	Amari
<b>Ash</b>	Darcey, Alana
<b>Oak</b>	Isla, Ava

### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 25 Reading Nights:

<b>Ash</b>	Freddie
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### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 50 Reading Nights:

<b>Rowan</b>	Aidan
<b>Ash</b>	Isla, Demi

### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 75 Reading Nights:

<b>Rowan</b>	Abi
<b>Ash</b>	Elizabeth

### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 100 Reading Nights:

<b>Chestnut</b>	Ada
<b>Beech</b>	Ava, Flora
<b>Rowan</b>	Seb
<b>Ash</b>	Jack, Logan

### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 125 Reading Nights:

<b>Beech</b>	Max
<b>Maple</b>	Dania
<b>Rowan</b>	Arthur, Olivia
<b>Ash</b>	Lacey-Marie, Lillie, Tyler

### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 150 Reading Nights:

<b>Chestnut</b>	Imogen, Freddie
<b>Beech</b>	Hallie, William, Ruben, Aurelia
<b>Rowan</b>	Jessica G, Amari, Matilda, Rory

### Congratulations to the following children on achieving 175 Reading Nights:

<b>Maple</b>	Annie
<b>Rowan</b>	Charlie M
<b>Ash</b>	Kimberly
<b>Oak</b>	Ava

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Postcards

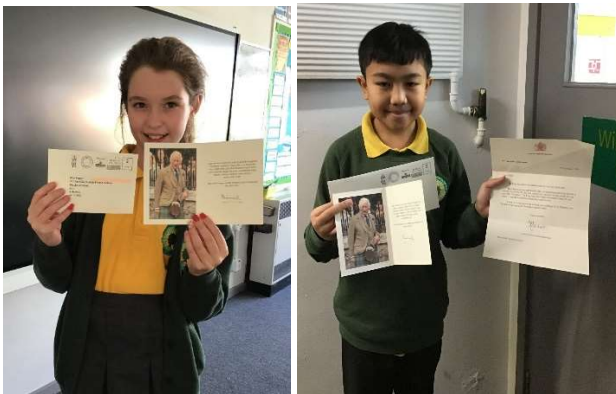
Congratulations to Seb (Yr 3), Benji and Sheldon (Yr 6) on receiving your postcards (pictures below) and Edward (Yr 5).



Please send in any pictures of your child with their postcard and we will include them in the next newsletter. **Please can we remind parents to ensure that all pictures only show the front of the postcard, so we do not publicise your home address details.**

### Royal Letters

Before Christmas, Year 6 wrote letters to various organisations and famous influential people to ask for help for people who were less fortunate at Christmas. This week Poppy and Noah were very lucky to receive a letter from King Charles, thanking them for their thoughts and support for others at Christmas.



### SATS Meeting for Year 6 Parents and Children

A meeting will take place on **Monday 4th March at 5:30pm** for Year 6 Parents/Carers and children regarding the Key Stage 2 statutory assessments (SATS) that will be undertaken by all Year 6 children between Monday 13th May to Friday 17th May.

### World Book Day – ‘Getting Caught Reading’ Competition

For World Book Day 2024, we are also inviting you to take a picture of your child ‘Getting Caught Reading’! This means a photo of them reading somewhere they wouldn’t normally – upside down, in a tree, on their bike (please ensure it is still safe) – and make it as fun as possible! **These should be sent to your child’s class email address**

**by Monday 4th March.** A winner from each class will then be picked with winners announced in Friday 8th March in achievement assembly to win a £5 book voucher.

### World Book Day – Thursday, 7th March

To celebrate World Book Day, the children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 7th March. They can also bring into school a copy of their favourite book to share with their class. Sam, the cook will be preparing a special World Book Day lunch. Please see the menu for details.

**Children are also invited to bring in a blanket, cushion, oodie, or cuddly toy** as in the afternoon they will be choosing a quiet place to sit and read a book of their choice.

Each child will be given a £1 World Book Day token.

### Mother’s Day Wrap Friday 8th March 2023

Each year the SSA hold a special Mother’s Day event within school time. The SSA offer a selection of gifts, priced at £1.50 each. Your child can choose a present and we help them wrap it.

To participate in Mother’s Day wrap please ensure your child brings £1.50 to school on Friday 8th March. Ideally placed within an envelope with your child’s Name, Year Group, and the Amount within. Please give your child the correct money as the school office do not have change.

### Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March

To support Red Nose Day on Friday 15th March the children can come to school dressed in Mufti – can be a red theme (suitable for school) in exchange for a £1 donation to Comic Relief.

### Spring Term Afterschool Clubs (Not paid for)

For safeguarding reasons, if your child normally attends an Afterschool Club, please ensure you have notified the school if your child will not be attending. If a child misses two or more weeks in a row (apart from for illness or medical reasons), the place will be offered to someone else.

If your child no longer wishes to attend a Lunchtime or Afterschool club please let the office know so they can notify the relevant teacher and offer the place to another child.

Please note that the last session for each Afternoon and Lunchtime Club (Not paid for) will be on w/b 18th March.

### Volunteers Needed to Help with Reading in School

If you or any aunts, uncles or grandparents have some spare time during the week and would like to come in and listen to children practise their reading (all year groups), we would love to hear from you.

Just one hour per week would be extremely helpful and volunteers get enormous pleasure from seeing the difference that a few hours of their time can make to a child’s reading ability, confidence and enjoyment.

Please contact the school office if you would like further details and, if you require a DBS certificate, we can get everything sent out and set up to allow you volunteer within the school.

### **Earrings in PE**

Just a reminder that for Health and Safety reasons if your child wears earrings they will need to be removed for PE lessons.

If your child is able to remove their own earrings then please provide them with a small container so that the earrings can be removed and stored safely prior to the PE lesson.

If your child is unable to take out their earrings by themselves, then they will need to be removed before coming to school on any day your child has a PE lesson.

If a child's earrings cannot be removed, then they will not be able to undertake PE as plasters to cover them are not considered a sufficiently safe alternative. Therefore, to avoid this occurring, we would recommend that if your child is having their ears pierced, then this is done on the first day of the Summer Holidays to allow sufficient time for them to heal and allow removal.

### **Parking in Staff Car Park**

Please can we remind all parents and carers that unless there has been prior agreement, please do not park in the staff car park, even if your child is late. This is for safety reasons and to make sure the car park remains accessible at all times.

### **Packed Lunches**

Please can all parents ensure that if their child brings in a packed lunch that this is brought in with them at the start of the day. We have noticed an increase in parents dropping off packed lunches at other times which is not only time consuming but disruptive to lessons.

### **Attendance – Holidays in Term Time**

I am writing to remind you that absence from school can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and family holidays are not considered by Surrey County Council to be an exceptional circumstance.



If you wish to take your child out of school for exceptional reasons you will need to notify the school using our 'Leave of Absence in Exceptional Circumstances' form at least two weeks before the absence and you will be informed as to whether the absence can be authorised.

The national expectation is that children attend 100% of sessions the school is open.

Unauthorised absences of 5 days or more will result in a penalty notice and fine being issued by Surrey County Council. Penalty notices and fines will also be issued to parents whose child's attendance generally falls below 90%

### **Edwards & Ward – If your child has allergies or intolerances**

Please can we kindly remind all parents/carers that if your child has a food allergy or intolerance and they have school dinners at least once a year (including Christmas Lunch) then you MUST complete the following link with Edwards & Ward.

<https://edwardsandward.co.uk/special-diets/>

#### **Confirmed INSET Days 2023/24**

We are pleased to announce the remaining INSET dates for this academic year:

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024**

#### **Lunch Menu**

Please find attached lunch menu for w/c 26<sup>th</sup> February (Week 2).

#### **Confirmed INSET Days 2024/25**

The INSET dates for the next academic year are as follows

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025**

There is one more INSET day to be arranged, once we have the date, parents/carers will be advised.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Stephen Corcoran  
Head Teacher

## Dates for your Diary

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	5.30pm	Year 6 SATS information Evening
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	All day	World Book Day – Themed lunch
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	SSA Mother Day Wrap - £1.50
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	AM	Year 5 Residential to Stone Farm
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	Red Nose Day – Themed lunch
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	PM	Last Day of Term ( <i>early finish</i> )
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>		
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	AM	Children return to school
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	All Day	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	PM	Break up for Half Term ( <i>normal time</i> )
<b>HALF TERM</b>		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	AM	Children return to school