#### PRIMARY SCHOOL SHERDLEY

# NEWSLETT



## Matters

Attendance Year to Date:

95%

Our Attendance HERO's last week: Class RR 98.3%



Our Attendance HERO's for Spring 1

Class 6J 97.7%



Here, Everyday, Ready, On time

#### A note from Mrs Bennett

As we reach the midpoint of the academic year, I wanted to take a moment to share some updates and news from school. It has been wonderful to see our children thrive so far this year, with Y6 residentials, class assemblies, and engaging visitors who have consistently praised the outstanding behaviour and manners of our children.

We are proud to share that our attendance continues to meet local and national expectations - a huge achievement, and we thank you for your support in this. This will inevitably support learning for all.

We are excited to welcome our new Headteacher, Mr. Gawne, who will be joining us after the Whit break - 2nd June. He plans to pop into school over the next term, feel free to say 'hello'.

Coming up in the second half of the year we have lots of exciting events in store including The Sherdley Oscars, Sports Day, Sherdley Fest (with plans to secure marguees to avoid the rain), and a Colour Run.

#### Reminders

- Please remind your children about internet safety during the upcoming halfterm break. Online use tends to increase when school is closed.
- I am continuously reviewing our BLAST provision and working hard to increase the number of available places.
- When we return on February 24th, the New Street gates will be locked from 8:25-8:55 and 3:00-3:25 pm. Please plan journeys and drop-offs accordingly.

You may have noticed some new faces around school over the past couple of weeks, unfortunately like the children our staff have also been hit by a number of illnesses. We appreciate and are proud of the resilience the children have shown with the changing faces. Please be assured we are striving for consistency and maintaining our high standard of teaching remains our priority. **Family** 

Enjoy half term, longer, brighter days always seem to have a really positive impact!



12th February 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Family Members who may drop off or pick up from school,

I am writing to you regarding an important matter concerning the safety and security of our school community. Since September, I have been in discussion with the Local Authority, as well as our school governors, regarding the New Street staff car park at the front of school.

After carefully considering the traffic flow and safety concerns, a decision has been passed by the governing body to close and lock the New Street, car park gates. These gates will be locked between the hours of 8:30-8:55 a.m. and 3:00-3:25 p.m. without exception during the school day. This change will be in place from Monday 24th February. There will be no movement on or off the site through these gates during these times. Please plan your journey accordingly.

The safety and well-being of everyone who enters our school premises remains my top priority. I understand that this change may cause some inconvenience, but I am confident that it is the best course of action to ensure the protection of our children and all members of our school community. If you would like to discuss this, you will see members of SLT outside wearing orange hi-vis vests during the morning drop-off or contact the school office.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Mrs Bennett

Acting Headteacher

K. Borrett



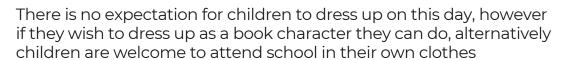
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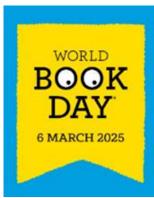
Our School Councilors met with Mrs Bennett this week to discuss their plans and ideas for the Woodland Trust Project and fundraising for Comic Relief.

The children gained Mrs Bennett's agreement to launch a poster competition after the half term with prizes for each class to earn points towards the Woodland Trust Project. We'll also be selling red noses, cakes and doughnuts and wearing red for a donation for Comic Relief on the 21st March - Excellent work School Council!

### World Book Day - Thursday 6th March

Thursday 6th March is World Book Day! To celebrate we'll be facilitating a Book Trade between children! Children should bring a **book to swap** (no more than 3 books). As this will be a permanent swap, please make sure they are books the children are willing to part with.





### **Goodbye & Good Luck**

Sending all our love and best wishes to Mrs Williams in Year 4 as she leaves us this half term to have her baby.

Mrs McGoran will be covering in Y4 during Mrs Williams maternity leave.

#### Congratulations

A big well done to our Sherdley students who performed at the Sutton Academy Dance Show on Wednesday 12th February.

You showed commitment, dedication and partnership working together. You really demonstrated our Sherdley values and we are very proud of you. Well done!





## **Sherdley Shares**

If you are interested in any of the below, please contact the providers directly.





## Virtual Storytellings Cat Weatherill

Join magical storyteller Cat Weatherill for a fun-filled session of stories, rhymes and drawing!

Check out Cat's books:

catweatherillauthor.com

Monday 17th February 12:30pm at Chester Lane Library



No booking required Suitable for ages 5+



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