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Weekly Newsletter: 5th February 2024

Sheffield Young Artist Competition

We are once again taking part in the amazing Sheffield Young Artist competition and exhibition. This is your opportunity to have your work displayed for the public – you may even win a prize like Orla (2021) & Florence (2022) did in the past! There is no theme this year, so let your imagination run wild! Entries should be no larger than A4 and handed to Mrs Coulson by Friday 23rd February. Good luck!

Unusually, the rest of the items in this newsletter refer to activities and events from outside school. I hope the information is useful and you find something of interest. As always, information is offered in good faith and school take no responsibility for any of the things listed... Whatever you decide to do, have a great half-term when it arrives!

Wharcliffe Side Community Café

Starting this week, Brightholmlee Chapel will be hosting a new 'Community Café' every Wednesday from 8:45am – 2pm. They have tea, coffee and a selection of food (including hot breakfast food). All ages are welcome!

Autism & Anxiety session

Sheffield Parent / Carer Forum are hosting a FREE 'Autism & Anxiety Information Session' at Primrose Family Hub (S6 2TN) on Monday 5th February (12:30 – 2pm). Everyone is welcome (no diagnosis required) - book [here](#) (it is worth taking a look at this site even if you can't attend this session – they have plenty of others!).

Children's University Holiday Newsletter

The latest Sheffield Children's University Newsletter can be found [here](#). It contains information about a range of things to do during half-term; including a virtual reality session, Valentine's workshop, 48hr campout, family treasure hunts, taekwondo, circus club, first aid and much more. It is definitely worth a look!

Stocksbridge Library

Award-winning author Nik Perring will be hosting a creative writing workshop for children aged 7+ on Wednesday 14th February (2:00 – 4:00pm). The workshop is completely free but places must be booked as it is expected to be very popular. Contact them by phone (0114 2734205) or email (stocksbridge.library@sheffield.gov.uk).

Barnsley Museum

Barnsley Museum are also hosting a number of special events during the holiday. See the attached flyer for more information or visit www.barnsley-museums.com.

SUFC Football Camps

SUFC are hosting a number of football camps at different locations across the city (including some for girls only). The cost is approximately £65 for the week (or £15 for one day). Find out more [here](#).

Sheffield Giants

Sheffield Giants are an American Football Academy and they are on the lookout for new players. They have opportunities for boys and girls (age 7+) to try 'flag football' (a non-contact version of the sport) and no experience is necessary. Email academy@shefieldgiants.com for more information.

Concerteenies

On Saturday 10th February, Concerteenies (supported by Sheffield Music Hub) is co-hosting its first-ever orchestral concert with Hallam Sinfonia; our Musical Story *Stan and Mabel*... Performances start at 11:30am and 1:30pm at Victoria Hall, Sheffield (S1 2JB). This is suitable for children aged 3+ and tickets can be booked at www.concerteenies.com/events.

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Jude, Sonia (Ash); Leela, Poppy (Rowan); Ella, Reuben, Freya (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Caleb H (Willow); Tori (Rowan); Jonah, Tommy-Lee, Isaac (Oak)
- ★ **Gold:** Cameron, Tommy M (Ash); Gray, Skyla-Grey, Darcy (Willow); Aaron (Rowan); Esme, Orla, Franklin (Sycamore)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Poppy & Oscar
- ★ **Healthy Eating Champion:** Molly
- ★ **Attendance winners:** We had a lot of illness last week (especially in lower school), so the overall figure was **91.1%**. The winning classes were **Willow** (KS1) with **92.4%** and **Rowan** (KS2) with **97.2%**.
- ★ **House Point winners:** Africa won last week with a HUGE total! Well done all!
- ★ Well done to the 8 girls who represented us at **Friday's EFL Cup** competition at SWFC. We finished third overall and won a box of books for getting the best score on a football-themed quiz!



This week's birthdays:
Aaron (9), **Gray** (7), **Rayhan**
 (11)

This week's 'School Standard' is:
 Staying safe online

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings & Saplings are learning all about Chinese New Year.

Ash are comparing Victorian / modern hospitals to help understand the changes Florence Nightingale made.

Willow are using timelines to compare times when Florence Nightingale lived.

KS1 children in **The Learning Zone** are making paper plate dinosaurs!

Rowan are finishing their 'Iron Man' sculptures in art. Meanwhile, it will be their last swimming session this week.

Sycamore are investigating dissolving in their science lessons.

Oak are writing their own stories based on Sinbad the Sailor.

Meanwhile, this week's 'School Standard' focuses on internet safety because Tuesday is Online Safety Day. Do YOU know how to help your child stay safe online? If you would like some advice, please get in touch...

Finally, a team of 12 boys and girls from Y5/6 will be representing the school at Monday's 'AquaFest' swimming competition at Ponds Forge. Good luck everyone!



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