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Weekly Newsletter: wb 8th June 2026

Water safety

You may have seen some items in the news recently about children / young people losing their lives whilst swimming in open water during half-term. This is a tragedy that we would like to avoid being repeated. South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue have sent the attached letter for the attention of all parents and I have spoken to the children in assembly.

Uniform and jewellery

- The Trust have done a deal with a new uniform supplier. In addition to our existing supplier (Pinders), you can now order branded uniform from <https://logoleisurewear.com/product-category/schools/schools-wharnccliffe-side-primary>. If you need to order new uniform for your child/ren, it is worth looking at both sites and comparing any deals they may have (the above link will soon be added to our website for convenience).
- Meanwhile, Bradfield Secondary School have informed us that they are hosting a 'uniform try-on' evening on **Tuesday 16th June, 4-6pm**. All children who are attending Bradfield in September are invited to attend and a separate letter has been sent out to those families.
- Reminder: children are allowed to wear earrings in school but these should be small stud earrings only and they **should be taken out for PE**. This is following guidance from *Safe Practice: in Physical Education, School Sport and Physical Activity (UK Coaching, 2020)*. If children cannot remove their own earrings, we recommend that they do not wear them on PE days.

Parking and roadworks

- Please can we remind parents not to park directly outside school at drop-off and pick-up times. Please pay attention to the road signs and show consideration for other road users, pedestrians and local residents. Sheffield City Council do carry out patrols outside schools from time to time and do not warn us when they are due to arrive.
- Meanwhile, you may have noticed some roadworks on the Main Road recently. We have been informed that Yorkshire Water are carrying out some survey work in the area over this week. Please be aware of this and allow extra time for your journey / park accordingly.

FoWSS Disco help

Our PTA, Friends of Wharnccliffe Side School, are hoping to arrange an end-of-year disco for pupils on Tuesday the 14th July. They are currently a little short of volunteers and would appreciate it if any parents / carers are available to help. If you would like to know more (or indeed join the PTA on a more regular basis), please contact them directly on friends@wharnciffeside.sheffield.sch.uk. Thank you!

Things to do

- **Sheffield Youth Cycling Club** are running sessions for children from age 2-11 at Forge Valley School (Mondays at 6pm, Saturdays at 9am). Please see attached flyer for more information.
- Our **Wednesday Yoga Club** is pretty well established now but they are offering free taster sessions to anyone who would like to give it a try (and hasn't done it before). See attached flyer and get in touch with the school office to book.
- **SWFC's Community Programme** are looking at developing a family-centred learning programme which helps children and parents. To help them do this, they are asking parents of children from age 0 to 8 to complete their questionnaire using the link: [Reaching Communities Consultation Form with Sheffield Wednesday Community Programme – Fill out form](#) (it should only take a minute). If you would like more information, please contact health@swfccp.co.uk

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** Erica (Rowan); Evie, Gray (Sycamore); Abigail (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** Grayson, Ford, William M (Ash); Lacey, George (Rowan); Harriet (Sycamore); Poppy, Ross, D'Low, Sienna BR (Oak)
- ★ **Gold:** Fearne (Rowan)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Chance & Grace (Seedlings); Ollie & Annabelle (Saplings)
- ★ A special well done to all the children who went to **Whirlow Farm** - you were all absolute superstars!
- ★ Well done to our new children, **Eddie & Rosie**, who have settled in very well!
- ★ Well done to **Oliver R** who has been invited to a special awards ceremony hosted by the Children's University!
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was **93.1%** overall last week (this doesn't include Monday's INSET day). The winning classes were **Ash** (KS1) with **96.7%** and **Rowan** (KS2) with **99.2%**.
- ★ **House Point winners:** **Asia** won the house point trophy for the 2nd week in a row.



This week's birthdays:

Oliver (9), Ted (5), Lily (10)

This week's 'School Standard' is:
Do independent research

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are doing den building in Forest Schools.

Saplings are comparing amounts in Maths.

Ash have been learning about the work of Andrew Goldsworthy and will be creating more land art in their forest school session.

Meanwhile, Y1 children will be doing their 'Phonics Screening Check' this week.

Willow will be continuing with writing their own recounts in their English lessons.

KS1 children in **The Learning Zone** will be acting out the story of 'The Way Back Home' by Oliver Jeffers.

Rowan have been learning about Yorkshire in their geography lessons.

Sycamore have started learning how to play baseball and pickleball in PE.

Meanwhile, Y4 children will be doing their 'Multiplication Tables Check' this week.

Oak have been learning and perfecting clay joining techniques in their art lessons.

