

Our Celebration Assembly this morning started with the moving words of 'I vow to thee my country'. This hymn was played at Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation in 1953 and has lines that echo topics we have been discussing in school this week.

One phrase that links well is 'the service of my love'. Children have been talking about the gift of service given to our country by the Queen over the last 70 years of her reign. We have spoken about showing our love for others by our actions, and the difference kindness can make. To further this, our Y6 prefects have started to take on responsibilities in school this week and are already showing amazing leadership skills, leading by example.

Talking about the death of our Monarch has also brought the subject of grief closer to the surface for many of us in school, staff and children alike. We have been sharing memories of family members, friends and pets who are no longer with us. As the words of the hymn speak of 'her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace', we remember the inspirational qualities of Elizabeth II, and in turn think about how we can channel these characteristics, and those of our loved ones, as we continue living our lives.

SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3AH: Sameer Sajid
- Y3CS/AW: Mollie Birch

- Y4KT: Iqra Sajid
- Y4MH: Violet-Skye Holmes
- Y4OS: Millie Hallows

- Y5FP: Mason Bonner
- Y5CG: Blake Harrap
- Y5HK: Lottie Siddall

- Y6CG: Lacey Whiskey
- Y6ER: Josh Mudd
- Y6RD: Rosie-Ann Hearnshaw

Miss Sheehan: Alice Wright
Mr Tee: Archie Brocklesby

Y3/4 Yard: Hattie Simpson
Y5/6 Yard: Willow Collett
Dining-Room: George Griggs

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II - STATE FUNERAL

The day of Queen Elizabeth II's state funeral, Monday 19th September 2022, has been designated a Bank Holiday. Guidance from the DfE states that schools and colleges that are normally closed on a bank holiday should close on this day as a mark of respect. School will therefore be closed on Monday 19th September.

School will open again as normal on Tuesday 20th September.

The extraordinary life of QUEEN ELIZABETH II



1926

Princess Elizabeth is born in London.



1945

Towards the end of World War II, 18-year-old Elizabeth joins the Auxiliary Territorial Service and trains as a driver and a mechanic.



1947

Princess Elizabeth marries Prince Philip, an officer in the Royal Navy.



1948

The princess gives birth to her first child, a boy named Charles who will grow up to be King.



1966

Her Majesty is at Wembley to see England beat West Germany (as it was called before the Berlin Wall came down) 4-2 in the World Cup final, presenting the trophy to victorious captain Bobby Moore.



1957

Her Majesty gives the first televised Christmas broadcast to the nation. 'The Queen's Speech' goes on to become a permanent and powerful tradition of the festive season.



1953

The new Queen is crowned at Westminster Abbey – the first coronation to be televised. Sales of TVs soar as many families buy one for the first time to watch the ceremony. The eventual worldwide audience is around 277 million.



1977

Britain and the Commonwealth celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee (marking 25 years on the throne). A chain of beacons is lit around the country, and thousands of street parties are held.



2015

Having ruled for 63 years, Queen Elizabeth becomes the longest-reigning monarch in British history – overtaking her great great grandmother, Queen Victoria.



2022

The nation celebrates the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with more events and street parties. Sadly, however, Her Majesty's health declines and she passes away months later, aged 96. After 70 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth II leaves a legacy of lasting affection and respect from people not only in the UK, but around the whole world.

Did you know?...

Rest well, Your Majesty – and thank you.

The Queen received her first Corgi, Susan, as an 18th birthday present. She loved that breed of dog throughout her life, going on to own another 30 of them.



As Britain was still recovering from the effects of the war, the young Princess Elizabeth had to save ration coupons to buy the material for her wedding dress!

The Queen took the unusual step of inviting a TV documentary crew into Buckingham Palace in 1969. This let people see the Royal Family in a way they'd never been able to before.



In 1982, a mentally ill man broke into the palace and reached the Queen's bedroom! Reports suggest Her Majesty calmly kept him talking for 10 minutes until the security team arrived.



It was Queen Elizabeth who, in 1993, decided to open up Buckingham Palace to visitors from the public for the first time.

To help launch the 2012 Olympics in London, Her Majesty featured in a short film where she meets super-spy James Bond, as played by Daniel Craig.



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A REMINDER OF SCHOOL TIMINGS

The school gate opens from 8:40am. Children should arrive at school between 8:40am and 8:50am to make their way directly to their classroom. The register will be taken at 8:50am and will close at 9am. The school day ends at 3:05pm for Y5/6 and at 3:10pm for Y3/4. The gate opens from 3pm for Y3/4 who wish to collect from the school yard.

CROSSING WARDEN

We have been notified that there will not be a crossing warden at The Grouse crossing until at least Monday 26th September. We ask that parents are responsible for their child crossing the road during this time.

CHOIR

Mrs Shaw is excited to invite children from across school to form this year's school choir. Choir rehearsals will take place during the school day from 2:30pm every Wednesday. A letter will be sent home with children who attend on Wednesday to share information about some of the events choir will be performing at this year.

MATHS GROUPS

During the pandemic, children have been taught in classes for all subjects in order to minimise movement and the number of contacts throughout school. Now we no longer need to operate under these restrictions, we will be grouping children differently for Mathematics lessons from Tuesday.

UNIFORM

Children have returned to school looking very smart. We have been particularly impressed with the improvement to children's PE kit – thank you for your support!

It is now a statutory requirement for schools to publish their uniform policy which includes how a school tackles non-compliance and also supports vulnerable pupils. We will share further details as soon as the draft policy has been ratified by governors.

The school uniform is as follows:

- A navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan embroidered with the school logo
- A white or navy blue polo shirt. Embroidered with the school logo preferred but a plain, unbranded polo shirt is permitted.
- Plain grey, navy or black trousers/shorts/skirt.
- Dark sensible footwear, this may include trainers but not high heeled shoes.
- Children are required to change into indoor footwear (pumps or plain slippers) before entering the classroom.

PE Kit:

- A PE t-shirt representing their House colour embroidered with the school logo:
 - Wharnccliffe (Red)
 - Ewden (Blue)
 - Hunshelf (Green)
 - Broomhead (Yellow)
 - Alternatively, an unbranded white t-shirt is permitted
- Plain navy or black shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- A navy blue PE hoody embroidered with the school logo. (Alternatively, children may wear their normal school sweatshirt.)

FLU VACCINATION PROGRAMME

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school, please complete an online consent form:

<https://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?Id=107055&Type=FLU>

The vaccinations will take place in school on 07/10/2022. The link will close on 30/09/2022. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu vaccine since Sept 2022, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 358 3397 (opt 2).

PUPIL DIARIES

Children will be very proud to bring their new school diaries home this week. We hope that these diaries will support children in becoming more independent learners by ensuring they are more aware of, and therefore more prepared and organised for, events that are upcoming.

In addition to using the diary for events, diaries are to be used for the following:

- **A record of reading.** We hope that you as parents will find them of use for recording daily reading at home. For every entry, pupils will receive a footprint stamp in order to reach the six destinations in their reading passport! Your child's passport will track their journey around the world over the next four years - please encourage them to keep it extra safe in the special plastic wallet towards the back of their diary. Reading group sessions in class will be recorded and also, on the yellow pages, children will record their termly star reading test results plus keep a log of the books they have read alongside quiz scores.
- **A record of rewards.** Your child may use their diary to tally the tokens they have earned each week and, on the blue pages, collect merits and Headteacher's awards awarded for academic achievements.
- **Home-School Agreement.** This week, your child's class will spend time looking at our home-school agreement that can be found on pages 2 and 3 of the diary. We request that you take a moment to discuss and sign the 'home' section with your child.
- **Home/School Communication.** Please feel free to use the diary to jot a message to your child's teacher. (Please ensure your child draws their teacher's attention to the message.)



Please encourage your child to use their diary regularly, to look after it and to bring it to school each day. We have a small number of diaries for the arrival of any new pupils. If your child loses their diary, they may be able to purchase a replacement diary for £4. We look forward to your support in helping us make them a success.

CEDARWOOD

Our unique play area, Cedarwood, requires thorough daily checks and upkeep to ensure it is well maintained and, therefore, safe to use. To enable us to carry out our health and safety procedures and ensure suitable levels of supervision, we must limit use of the area to within the school day. Our pupils know that they are not permitted to use the space or structures before or after school. We would like to remind parents that younger siblings are not to use the space when dropping off or collecting children from school. We would also appreciate if this message could be relayed to any older children who collect their siblings from Stocksbridge Junior School.

Thank you in anticipation of your understanding.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

WEEK 1	MONDAY <small>MEAT FREE</small>	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Bank Holiday	chicken curry with 50/50 rice 	Roast chicken and stuffing with roast potatoes and gravy	Chicken and tomato pasta bake	A choice of fish fingers or fishcakes with chips
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH		Vegetable curry with 50/50 rice  <small>5 A DAY</small>	Roast Quorn™ fillet with roast potatoes and gravy <small>5 A DAY</small>	Macaroni cheese	Quorn™ nuggets with chips
ACCOMPANIMENTS		Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
DESSERTS		Shortbread biscuits and mandarins <small>5 A DAY</small>	Chocolate crunch	Apple flapjack	Fruit and ice cream <small>5 A DAY</small>
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT		Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
JACKET POTATO & SANDWICH SELECTION		Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

At times of high-profile coverage of death in the media, such as the passing of the Queen, we and children can experience grief for the person who has died or in remembrance of others we have lost. It can be challenging to talk to children about such losses. Challenging to answer any questions that may arise. Winston's Wish is a really helpful website that can be accessed by all and can at this time should you need support. <https://www.winstonswish.org/talk-to-children-about-death-of-queen/>

YEAR 4 CYCLE SKILLS

As part of Stocksbridge Junior School's involvement with the Modeshift Active Travel project, we have organised Playground Cycle Skills Sessions on Friday 23rd September 2022 for children in Year 4. The children will practise their balancing, braking and general bike handling skills through a series of fun cycling games designed to help them develop into more skilful and safer cyclists.

Children will need to bring their own bike to school and it is important that all bikes should be in good working order. Your child must have a helmet to take part in this session. If you would like your child to take part, please complete the permission slip on the letter that your child brought home last week. Please return the slip to the school office no later than Wednesday 21st September 2022.

ATTENDANCE

The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 Amendments make clear that Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Parents or carers should complete a term time leave request form and submit to the school at least 20 days in advance of any proposed leave. Forms may be collected from our school office or downloaded below.

Headteachers have the discretion to grant leave, but they should only do so in exceptional circumstances. If a headteacher grants a leave request, it will be for them to determine the length of time that the child can be away from school. This leave is unlikely, however, to be granted for the purposes of a family holiday. Parents and carers can be fined for taking their child on holiday during term time without consent from the school.

Holidays during term time.

The law states that parents or carers do not have a right to take their child out of school for a holiday during term time. Term time holidays in Sheffield will not be authorised unless there are exceptional reasons. If you take your child out of school without the school's permission, you may be issued with a penalty fine.

Regular school attendance and punctuality is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life.

Pupils who miss school (either through absence or lateness) can frequently fall behind with their work, their attainment and progress being negatively impacted. Absence and lateness can also impact negatively on a child's socially and emotionally development. It is clear that pupils who attend school regularly achieve at higher levels than pupils who do not have regular attendance.

TESCO TOKEN VOTING

If you shop in any of the local Tesco stores, please keep an eye out for their community support blue token scheme as our Breakfast & Snack Provision has been selected as one of their good causes to support!

If you buy anything from Chapeltown Express or Penistone Superstore, please collect tokens at the checkout and pop them in our section of the voting display on your way out of the door! *(In fact, we have it on fairly good authority that even if you're just passing Tesco Chapeltown, just pop in and ask for a token!)*

The project with the highest number of votes across the region will receive £1,500 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), the second placed project £1,000 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), and the third placed project £500.

MAGMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 30th September from 8:45am to 10:00am. You are most welcome to call in for coffee and cake or buy cakes to take away. We would also appreciate any contributions of goodies to sell to be brought to school either on Thursday 29th September or on the morning. Please join us to support this very worthy charity.



BAGS2SCHOOL

Children have recently brought home their Bags2School bag. Parents, staff and children are invited to fill their bags with as many unwanted items as possible then return the bag to school in time for our collection on Wednesday 21st September. The following 'good quality' items are accepted:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags, bags and hats
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Once the bags have been collected, they will be weighed and school will receive money for every kilo that we collect. So basically, the heavier your bag is the more money we can spend on equipment in school!

Bag2School are unable to accept duvets, pillows, cushions or uniform.

If you do have any unwanted uniform, any contributions towards our preloved stock would be gratefully received. Please hand it into the School Office separately from your Bags2School donation.

EAT SMART SHEFFIELD

Eat Smart Sheffield is a school-based programme focussing on food and nutrition, who support families to help encourage children and young people to develop healthy lifestyle habits so they can grow, thrive and live life to the full. They are here to help and have pulled together some top tips for healthy eating throughout the day which are hopefully useful to parents:

[Eat Smart Sheffield Newsletter - for Parents/Carers \(office.com\)](#)

HEALTHY NUTRITION INFORMATION SESSION

We have been asked to advertise a free online session for parents/carers delivered by the 0-19 service (Health Visitors and School Nursing) in partnership with the Start Well team.

[Healthy Nutrition Information Session Registration](#)

It covers information on healthy balanced diets, fussy eating, portion sizes, healthy packed lunches, and healthy teeth. Evaluation of the sessions already delivered is that parents/carers have found the information useful and relevant.

A REMINDER OF EVENTS OVER THE COMING WEEKS

As always, please keep an eye on our school calendar on the SJS website.

Sept 19 School Closed: State Funeral of HRH Queen Elizabeth II	20	21	22	23 Y4 Cycle Skills Y4KT Swimming
Sept 26	27	28	29	30 Macmillan Coffee Morning Y4KT Swimming
Oct 3 Cycle to School Week	4 Read Around the World: Earliest arrival at your 1st destination	5	6	7 Nasal Flu Vaccinations Y5/6 Cycling Roadshow Y4KT Swimming
Oct 10 Y3 Parents' Session	11 Y4 Parents' Session	12 Y5 Parents' Session	13 Y6 Parents' Session	14 Y4KT Swimming
Oct 17 Y5 Parents' Evening (In Person Appointment Option)	18 Y4 Parents' Evening (In Person Appointment Option) Y3 & Y6 Parents' Evening (Video Appointment Option)	19 Y5HK Reading trip to visit the Lord Mayor in Sheffield Y3 Parents' Evening (In Person Appointment Option) Y4 & Y5 Parents' Evening (Video Appointment Option)	20 Non-Uniform Day (£1) Y6 Parents' Evening (In Person Appointment Option)	21 Curriculum Day

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- Lessons are held during the school day. There's no experience necessary and all instruments are provided, so it's totally **inclusive** and **accessible** for all.
- Your child can choose from **drums, vocals, keyboard or electric guitar** (subject to availability). They'll join their bandmates for a weekly 30-minute lesson, where together they'll learn some of their favourite songs, developing up to 300 musical skills along the way.
- You can proudly watch as your child performs in their Rocksteady concert at the end of each term, showing you and their friends just how far they have come.
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Best wishes,
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year old has ever been
interested in.

Emma

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My child really
looks forward to his
Tuesday lesson, it
is one of the
highlights of his
school week.

Justine

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My daughter thoroughly
enjoys Rocksteady, so much
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Anthony

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2022 / 23 Saturday Series incorporating the SFSS Schools' League

Orienteering is a challenging outdoor adventure sport. The aim is to navigate between control points marked on an



orienteering map and decide the best route to complete the course in the quickest time.



It does not matter how young, old or fit you are, as you can run, walk or jog the course and progress at your own pace.

These events are specifically aimed to introduce people of all ages to the sport and also incorporate the schools' league. However all our events have courses suitable for all abilities - see the website for more details.

Sat 10 Sep	Endcliffe Park
Sat 1 Oct	Bolehill
Sat 12 Nov	Botanical Gardens
Sat 7 Jan	Ecclesall Woods
Sat 28 Jan	EIS & Olympic Legacy Park
Sat 11 Mar	Norfolk Park
Sat 29 Apr	Parkwood Springs
Sat 20 May	Meersbrook Park
Sat 10 Jun	Graves Park

Prize-giving event Millhouses 24th June

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SATURDAY SERIES SCHOOLS LEAGUE 2022 / 23

League Format

Nine events spread over the academic year for pupils from Y3/4 up followed by a fun event and prize-giving. Dates and venues are listed overleaf. Overall positions for competitors and schools will be calculated from their best 5 results. There is also a league for adults with the best 5 results counting. The events are held on Saturday afternoons. They are run by South Yorkshire Orienteers and courses are open to the general public, so parents and younger children are encouraged to give it a go!

Registration & Start Procedure

Register in advance or on the day between 12.30-2.30pm. Entrants will receive a map with the course printed on and an electronic timing chip. Competitors on each course will start at 1 minute intervals. Parents / Teachers can talk through the course and can shadow (follow) competitors around the course but please let children navigate themselves.

Costs

Children £2. Pupils Y3 & above, whose school is a member of the SFSS, are free.

Adults £5, £4 for club members
Second runs £2

Courses

Orienteering courses are graded by colour; this table shows the course pupils should enter to be part of the league. Adults run whichever course they would like and will be allocated to the newcomer or standard adult league.

Course	Year
White	Y3/4, Y5
Yellow	Y6, Y7
Orange	Y8, Y9
Light Green	Y10, Y11
Green / Blue	Y12, Y13

About SYO

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