



# ATHELSTAN NEWSLETTER



## Letter Number 3 – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025



### Stars of the Week



A huge well done to this week's Gold Award Winners:

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| <b>CORAL</b>  | Huzaifa |
| <b>OCHRE</b>  | Jaden   |
| <b>VIOLET</b> | Suzanne |
| <b>Y2AC</b>   | Louie   |
| <b>Y2MS</b>   | Kamil   |
| <b>Y2RJ</b>   | Arham   |
| <b>Y3A</b>    | Alia    |
| <b>Y3B</b>    | Gunes   |
| <b>Y3G</b>    | Ivy     |
| <b>Y4B</b>    | Adam    |
| <b>Y4J</b>    | Zayan   |
| <b>Y4W</b>    | Joanna  |
| <b>Y5BT</b>   | Jenson  |
| <b>Y5DF</b>   | Mohamed |
| <b>Y5HB</b>   | Erin    |
| <b>Y6JT</b>   | Ava     |
| <b>Y6LB</b>   | Robyn   |
| <b>Y6NB</b>   | Grace   |

### Attendance & Punctuality

Please be reminded that the doors open at 8:35am each day with the expectation that children are in class and ready to learn at 8:50am.

We have noticed an increase in the number of children arriving late through the office. Attendance and punctuality are closely monitored by the local authority.

Attendance Matters:



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

## **OTHER NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **A message from our Student Council**

Tuck Shop is up and running. It would be really helpful if children could bring the correct change and items are either 20p, 30p or 50p. Please help our tuck shop helpers by disposing of the rubbish correctly. A list of the items can be found on the school website.

### **Gym Equipment**

Unfortunately, our outdoor gym is still taped off and out of use at the moment, as it is awaiting some repairs. For safety reasons, please do not allow your children to play on it.

### **Need to Know**

Each half term, pupils are provided with a Need To Know, or 'N2K', to share with their parent/carer. This includes everything that pupils will learn across all curriculum areas.

Please click on the following link to view the up-to-date N2K's: <https://athelstan-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/need2knows/>

### **Message sent on behalf of Education & Childcare Commissioning Team, SCC**

We are asking parents and carers to tell us about their childcare needs and experiences of childcare by responding to our survey. Parents/Carers views of the Government's early years childcare support schemes and school wraparound childcare is important.

The more replies we receive the clearer we are, of the childcare needs amongst families and where additional support is needed by parents to find places.

This year's Childcare Survey for parents can be completed [here](#) or scan the QR code below:

**Please complete the Local Authority's Childcare Survey for Parents and Carers of children aged 0 to 16 years, or 0 to 19 years or if they have children with special educational needs or disabilities.**

<https://haveyoursay.sheffield.gov.uk/parents-carers-childcare-survey-2025>



# **YEAR GROUP NEWS**

## **Foundation News**

### **Tapestry Education Platform**

Please look out for an email from Tapestry with an activation link to activate your Tapestry profile. This email can sometimes end up in the spam folder. You will need to choose a password, which you will use to log in to both the Tapestry app and the desktop version. You'll also be able to set up a 4-digit PIN to quickly log in to the app. Your profile will be linked to your child's, so please refrain from sharing your details with other users.

### **Read Write Inc Session – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 9am-9:30am**

We would like to invite Parents/Carers to come and watch their children take part in a Read Write Inc Session to learn about how reading is taught and what will be sent home. After morning drop off, please wait in the Foundation Yard until morning registration is complete.

## **Y1 News**

### **Forest schools**

We are very excited to inform you that Year 1 will be taking part in weekly Forest School sessions in the afternoon. The activities will be led by your child's class teacher and teaching assistant. Forest Schools will happen every week on the following days throughout the Autumn 1 Term:

**Coral – Wednesday**

**Ochre – Thursday**

**Violet - Friday**

Please refer to the letter that was emailed last week for further important information regarding the Forest School sessions.

## **Donations**

As part of our outdoor learning, we are looking for donations of pots, pans, utensils and gardening tools that are no longer wanted but in good condition. Please bring your donations to the office.

## **Y2 News**

### **Hometime**

When collecting children at hometime, please can parents/carers stand back from the door to allow the classes to come out and line up. It is also really important that parents/carers don't shout their children to leave until they have been dismissed by the teacher. Thank you for your support.

## **Reading Morning**

The reading morning for Y2 children is on a Monday and they are more than welcome to enter the classroom and read a book with their child on this day.

## **Y3 News**

### **Thornbridge Visit**

As part of their current science topic, children in Year 3 will be visiting Thornbridge on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025. They will be visiting the garden to look at different plants. If you haven't already done so, please click on the following link to give permission for your child to go on this visit by Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2025: <https://forms.gle/EWSKbkxKQzuurGwG7>

## **Y3G Entering & Exiting School**

Please note, all children in Y3G Class should enter and exit school through the Y5 door and not the Y2 door.

### **Y4 News**

No additional news this week.

### **Y5 News**

No additional news this week.

### **Y6 News**

#### **Y6NB - PE Lesson - 22.9.25**

Please could Y6NB wear their PE kit on Monday 22nd September **INSTEAD** of Tuesday for this week only.

#### **Save the Date - Friday 17th July.**

Some of our Y6 Parents/Carers are busy looking into organising an end-of-year Leavers' Prom. Full details will be provided as soon as available, but for now, please add the date to your diaries.



## The Spanish Word of the Week is:



### Mindfulness at Athelstan

breath barometer - 3 minute pause (youtube.com)

finger breath - 3 minute pause (youtube.com)

hugging breath - 3-minute pause (youtube.com)



### Makaton

Makaton is used by many people as a support to communication. Our hope is to enable all students to be able to confidently communicate with their peers and all staff in school. Please follow the link below to our website if you would like to join us on this learning journey:

<https://athelstan-primary-school.primarysite.media/playlist/makaton>

### Food Works – Handsworth

Please follow the links below for further information about Food Works:

[Market – Food Works](#)

[Handsworth – Food Works](#)



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| Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September | Foundation Stage Parents/Carers Read Write Inc Session 9am – 9:30am                |
| Wednesday 15.10.25                | Individual Photographs   |
| Monday 20.10.25                   | Whole School Flu Immunisations   |
| Thursday 23.10.25                 | Non-uniform day for Sheffield Children's Hospital Snowflake                        |
|                                   | Break up for the half term holiday on this day so children will attend on this day |
| Friday 24.10.25                   | INSET Day (school closed for children)   |
| Monday 27.10.25                   | Half term holiday begins   |
| Monday 03.11.25                   | Children return to school  |

**Have a lovely weekend!**

