



ATHELSTAN NEWSLETTER



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Gold Award Winners



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

Y3A	Yusuf H
Y3B	Parisa N
Y3G	Evander D
Y4W	Robin E
Y5BT	Jessica A
Y5DF	Oscar S
Y5HB	Daro B
Y6JT	Abdur H

Sporting Achievements

Harry F in Y5 won 'Player of the Season' at his football presentation this week; well done Harry!

If your child has achieved something special in their chosen sport, please let us know, so that we can celebrate it with them.

Please email Miss Windle on: gwindle@athelstan.sheffield.sch.uk

Are you worried about your child's mental health?

I am a trained Child Mental Health First Aider and the Senior Mental Health Lead here at Athelstan. I am offering parents the chance to book an appointment to discuss any concerns about your children's mental health and provide some options and signposts that might help.

If you would like an appointment then please contact Selina Ashton on sashton@athelstan.sheffield.sch.uk

OTHER NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Staffing News

Miss Johnson leaves us today to begin her maternity leave, and we wish her all the very best with her new arrival.

At the end of this academic year, Mr Mills will be leaving us to take up a new role as Headteacher in a primary school in Barnsley. After fourteen years at Athelstan, he would like to thank pupils, families and colleagues for their support and wishes the school every success for the future.

Mrs Sloan will also be leaving us at the end of July to pursue new opportunities back in Wales. We would like to thank her for her contribution to the school and wish her all the very best for the future.

We are also saying a very fond farewell to Mrs Drabble, who has worked here for over twenty years! Mrs Drabble has decided to retire to enjoy some quality time with her family and we hope she makes the most of this wonderful time ahead.

We are sure you will join us in wishing Mr Mills, Mrs Sloan and Mrs Drabble all the very best in the years to come.

Athelstan Experience Raffle

The Athelstan Experience Raffle is back! Tickets are on sale for 50p each.

Your child could win the chance to pick a fun group activity for them and their friends like a lunchtime movie with popcorn, football on the field, or music and colouring.

To Enter: Send money in a labelled envelope with your child's name and class. No limit on ticket purchases! Prizes will be chosen by the children in the order names are drawn.

The Draw: Friday 19th June.

Athelstan's 3 for 2 Book Fair

Our summer Scholastic Book Fair will be continuing after school next week in the infant hall, between 3.20pm and 3.50pm, on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th June. You will be able to enter school via the doors to the infant hall which can be accessed on the field side of the building. Children will also be able to visit the book fair with their class during the school day.

Every book purchased earns us free books for our school. All books and stationery will be 3 for the price of 2 (cheapest free) and there are a number of ways to pay.

Cash Payments - Send your child to school with coins or notes (£5 notes appreciated please) in a named envelope.

Contactless Payments - If you attend the book fair after school in person, you can pay via your phone by scanning a QR code or even contactless if the technology works! You can also buy a pre-paid 'gift card' for your child with a set amount of money to spend at <https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers>. You will simply need to show or print the confirmation email, or forward it to your child's class teacher.



Sports Days

Parents/Carers and family members are welcome to come and watch the events on the school field!

Please see the dates and times for each year group:

Date & Time	Year Group
Thursday 11th June – 2pm – 3pm	Year 2
Friday 12th June – 2pm – 3pm	Foundation
Monday 15th June – 1:30pm – 3pm	Year 6
Tuesday 16th June – 1:30pm – 3pm	Year 4
Wednesday 17th June – 1:30pm – 3pm	Year 5
Thursday 18th June - 2pm – 3pm	Year 1
Monday 22nd June – 1:30pm – 3pm	Year 3

Your child should come to school in their **PE kit** and wear it for the full day. Please ensure they are dressed appropriately for the weather (e.g., a hat and sun cream for warm weather) and that they bring a **water bottle**.

Please note the following important details for the day:

- **Access:** Each Sports Day will be held on the field in the afternoon (see above for timings). Please enter the field via **Holyoake Avenue**. There will be no access to the main school yard or premises for spectators.
- **Parking:** Please be mindful of local residents if you are parking a vehicle nearby.
- **Safeguarding:** For child protection reasons, we strictly ask that you **do not take photos or videos of other children** at any time.
- **Weather Notice:** In the event of extreme weather, Senior Leadership will make a decision and message parents/carers as early as possible in the morning if it is deemed unsafe for the event to go ahead.

Pyjamarama - Friday 12th June

On Friday 12th June, Athelstan will be participating in BookTrust's Pyjamarama.

We invite children in Y1-Y6 to come to school in their pyjamas, jimjams, jammies and/or comfies to raise funds for BookTrust, who work to support disadvantaged communities through the power of reading! Children will participate in lots of extra-special reading and story-related activities.

Foundation Stage children should not wear pyjamas due to their sports day in the afternoon; however, they are invited to bring in a teddy for a special cosy reading morning.

If your child wishes to wear pyjamas to school on Friday 12th June, we ask for a donation of £1 on the day. You can also donate by text: simply text PJS followed by your donation amount to 70580. (E.g. to donate £3, text PJS 3. Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message.)

Read more about BookTrust's work here: <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/support-us/pyjamarama/>

Class Photographs

Jane Stapleton Photography will be in school on Wednesday 24th June to take class photographs.

If you have any concerns about this, please speak to a member of the team in the office.

Please ensure your child wears their full school uniform in the morning. If your child usually has PE on Wednesdays, they should bring their PE kit with them to change into for the session should they wish to do so.

Summer Showcases

Each year group will be holding a showcase of their work, throughout the summer term. Showcases will take place in classrooms, unless otherwise specified, at the times detailed below. Y1 to Y5, please come into school through the main reception, to sign in. Foundation parents and carers, please use the usual Foundation entrance. The showcases will be a showcase of work, with the children talking about what they have learnt. At the end of the afternoon showcases, parents/carers should leave school and wait in the usual place to collect their children.

Date & Time	Year Group
Tuesday 23 rd June - 2:45pm – 3:15pm	Year 4
Wednesday 24 th June – 2:45pm – 3:15pm	Year 5
Thursday 25 th June – 2:45pm – 3:15pm	Year 1
Monday 29 th June – 2:45pm – 3:15pm	Year 3
Tuesday 30 th June – 9:00am – 9:30am	Foundation
Tuesday 30 th June – 7pm	Year 6 Production – The Montgomery Theatre
Wednesday 1 st July – 2:45pm – 3:15pm	Year 2

Teacher Splash

During the week commencing **6th July**, we will be holding a **Teacher Splash** fundraising event. Pupils will have the chance to soak their teachers, support staff and Senior Leaders for a **£1 donation**, helping to fund upcoming school events. Each KS2 year group will be allocated a specific day to take part during their lunch break.

Dates for each year group are as follows:

Tuesday 7th July: Y3

Wednesday 8th July: Y5

Thursday 9th July: Y6

Friday 10th July: Y4

SEND Parent/Carer Workshops and Meetings

The Parent/Carer workshops and meetings will be taking place in school on the following dates and times:

Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) Parent/Carer Meetings

Thursday 18th June - 9am

Thursday 9th July - 9am

Please confirm attendance by emailing annamarie.emmett@sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk

SEND Workshops

The SEND workshops are run by Kirsty Unwin from Family Learning (she is also a parent of a child in Foundation Stage). The following workshops will be taking place in school:

Emotional Regulation Workshop – Wednesday 10th June - 9am – 11am

Child Anxiety Workshop – Wednesday 17th June - 9am – 11am

Please see the attached flyer on how to book your place on the SEND Workshops.

YEAR GROUP NEWS

Foundation News

Sports Day

On Friday 12th June, Foundation Stage will be having their Sports Day on the school field between 2pm and 3pm. Children should wear their PE kits for the full day. Parents/Carers are welcome to come and watch the events on the field, and we ask that you come onto the field via Holyoake Avenue.

Coffee Morning for SEND Parents/Carers

On Thursday 18th June, we will be holding a short coffee morning between 9am and 9:30am for parents/carers of children in with SEND to have a chat about children moving up to Year 1. Please enter school through the main reception/office to sign in.

Read Write Inc Session - Thursday 25th June – 9:00 – 9:20am

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 Outdoor Area for the session to begin.

Y1 News

Book of the Fortnight

Our book of the fortnight is **Sunshine at Bedtime**. Our vocabulary words are: **atmosphere, north, horizon, skyline, crops** and **rippling**.

Food Tasting

Next week, Year One will be tasting apples dipped in honey as part of our Judaism topic in RE. If you have any questions or if your child has any allergies, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Cleethorpes Visit

The deadline to make a payment for the Cleethorpes Visit is midnight today, Friday 5th June. Unfortunately, we have not yet collected enough money to cover the cost and therefore the trip may have to be cancelled. If you have not yet made a payment, we would be grateful if you could do so through ParentPay as soon as possible. The decision will be made on Monday morning as to whether the trip is able to go ahead or not. If it does have to be cancelled, all payments made so far will be refunded. Thank you for your support.

Y2 News

Sports Day

On Thursday 11th June, Y2 will be having their Sports Day on the school field between 2pm and 3pm. Children should wear their PE kits for the full day. Parents/Carers are welcome to come and watch the events on the field, and we ask that you come onto the field via Holyoake Avenue.

Yorkshire Sculpture Park Visit

On Thursday 25th June, we will be visiting the Yorkshire Sculpture Park. We are asking for a contribution of £12 per child to help towards the cost of the coach and the admission fee. Thank you to those who have already made a payment. Unfortunately, should enough money not be collected, the trip may have to be cancelled. If you are able to volunteer for the trip, please email your child's class teacher.

Y3 News

Y3B Class Treat

Y3B will be having their marble treat on Thursday 11th June in the afternoon. Weather permitting, they will be spending time playing games outside. Children can bring a change of clothes and board game (no electronics) for the afternoon should they wish to do so.

Y4 News

No additional news this week.

Y5 News

No additional news this week.

Y6 News

No additional news this week.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

**Well done to Y2MS & Y3A who are joint winners for the highest attendance this week!
Most improved attendance this week were Ochre & Y5HB.**

Class	This Week's Attendance
Red	83.8%
Green	93.8%
Blue	87.1%
Coral	97.4%
Ochre	96.7%
Violet	97.2%
Y2RJ	95%
Y2MS	98.3%
Y2AC	92.1%
Y3A	98.3%
Y3B	92.2%
Y3G	89.6%
Y4J	86.2%
Y4W	97.6%
Y4B	96.6%
Y5BT	95.2%
Y5HB	96%
Y5DF	97.1%
Y6JT	92.3%
Y6NB	96.6%
Y6LB	92.2%



FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 08.06.26	Y1 Phonics Screen Check Week
Thursday 11.06.26 – Friday 19.06.26	Sports Days (see 'others news' for each date)
Friday 12.06.26	Pyjamarama (see 'other news' for further info)
Wednesday 24.06.26	Class Photographs
Tuesday 30.06.26	Y6 Montgomery Theatre Performance

Have a lovely weekend!