



ATHELSTAN NEWSLETTER



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Gold Award Winners



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

Blue	Adam
Green	Dawood
Red	Aura
Coral	Elijah
Ochre	Idrees
Violet	Riva
Y2AC	Nellie & Sullivan
Y2MS	Shahwaiz
Y2RJ	Maluba

Sporting Achievements

We have lots of achievements in karate this week:

William in Y3, Alfie in Y2, Riley and Alfie in Y6 - well done for being awarded their green belts in karate.

Ellie in Y3 achieved her orange belt in karate and was also awarded Skyline star of the month for her amazing performance in gymnastics!

Jackson in Y3 came third in his football tournament this week.

Isaac B in Y4 accepted into a new football team and also got his green belt karate.

New Bohemians Juniors U8's took on Woodhouse Phoenix Blacks U8's in a friendly football game at Athelstan Playing Fields on the evening of Thursday 2nd July. Representing the New Bohemians Juniors U8 were Zac, Yusuf, David, Danyal and Roman. Representing Woodhouse Phoenix Blacks U8's were Carson and Daniyal. In a hard fought contest, the New Bohemians came out on top with a 5-1 win!

Well done to all our sports stars!

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

OTHER NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

School Reports & Drop-in Session

Reports have been emailed today, for all children. We are holding an informal drop-in session on Wednesday 15th July, between 3:35pm and 4:15pm. This will allow parents/carers to discuss their child's report with their current teacher, and there may be an opportunity to meet their child's new teacher from September. Weather permitting, this will be held outdoors. We will confirm by email and app message on the day. **Y2AC** - Unfortunately, Miss Cheevers will be unable to attend this session due to conducting home visits for the Foundation new starters, and will be available to speak to on Thursday 16th July between 3:20pm and 3:45pm.

Taylor Shaw Special Menu's

On Tuesday 14th July, Taylor Shaw will be cooking up the following special picnic menu:

Red – Sausage Roll, Margherita Pizza Finger and a choice of either Cheese or Tuna Wrap

White - Halal Sausage Roll, Margherita Pizza Finger and a choice of either Cheese or Tuna Wrap

Green – Cheese Roll, Margherita Pizza finger and a choice of either Cheese or Tuna Wrap

Brown - Jacket Potato

Blue – Tuna Mayo Sandwich

Dessert: Ice Cream or Jelly

Class Photograph Orders

Photo proofs have been sent home from school this week. All orders must be placed directly with Jane Stapleton Photography by Thursday 16th July 2026. Please follow the instructions on your child's photo proof to place your order. Due to school breaking up for summer next week, there is no option for these to be delivered to school, however home delivery is being offered at a reduced cost of 99p provided the order is placed by the deadline. Should you have any queries, please contact Jane Stapleton directly: <https://jssp.co.uk/>

AI

AI is being used to turn ordinary photos of children into sexual abuse material. The National Crime Agency and Internet Watch Foundation have issued new guidance to help parents make informed choices about sharing images of their children online. It covers reviewing privacy settings, revisiting consent with your child as they grow, and what to do if you're worried. The parent's guidance can be found here: <https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/>

Product Recall – Squeezy Dumplings

The Office for Product Safety and Standards has issued a product recall for Squeezy Dumplings, which present a serious chemical risk:

<https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6a3d49d1d52550a19950f580/2606-0196-product-recall-squishies-squeezy-dumplings.pdf>

Carrier Bags

Please can parents/carers send a carrier bag, labelled with your child's full name, to school next week. This is in readiness for children to bring their books and work home from this year.

A Message from Food Works

At our [warehouse in Handsworth](#) we collect, store, and share surplus food in our market – turning potential waste into valuable resources for the community. This is where our work begins.

From there, [our two cafes](#) bring it all to life – transforming rescued and locally grown ingredients into affordable, nutritious meals that reach people across Sheffield. We also [grow our own fresh produce](#) at Norton Nurseries, adding even more locally grown food to the meals and markets that nourish our city. Together, these hubs are how we connect food, people, and purpose.

Food Works Handsworth

Here you can visit the market, collect patron boxes and buy [Just Me](#) - [Ready Meals](#) - [Food Works](#)

Both the market stock and Just Meals are available on a pay what you can afford basis with a minimum contribution of £1.00 each. Because our supply varies daily, the contents of the shelves do too. [What We Do - Food Works](#)

YEAR GROUP NEWS

Foundation News

Reading Books and Records

As we approach the end of the school year, please ensure that your child brings their reading record and any school reading books back to school next week. We will be collecting these so they can be organised and ready to hand out to children next year. Thank you for your continued support throughout the year. We really appreciate your help in ensuring all reading books and records are returned.

Forest School

Forest School sessions have now finished and there will be no sessions taking place next week. Please collect your child from their classroom doors.

Y1 News

Book of the Fortnight

Our book of the fortnight is **Commotion in the Ocean**. Our vocabulary words are: **curious, commotion, scamper, bulbous, skewer** and **bellow**.

Ochre and Violet Class Treats

On Friday 17th July, Ochre and Violet will be having their class treats in the afternoon. Children can bring a change of clothes for the afternoon and a small toy (no electronics) should they wish to do so.

Reading Books

Please ensure that your child returns any school reading books back to school next week so that these can be organised for next year. Thank you for your support.

Y2 News

Yorkshire Sculpture Park Visit

As you are aware, the Y2 trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park had to be cancelled due to the extreme heat and we were unable to reschedule. If you made a payment for the trip on ParentPay, you will be refunded. We are currently waiting for ParentPay to release the funds to enable us to action this. We will notify you as soon as possible and are hopeful that refunds should be received before we break up.

Y2RJ Class Treat

On Monday 13th July, Y2RJ will be having their class treat in the afternoon. Children can bring a change of clothes for the afternoon should they wish to do so.

Y2MS Class Treat

On Friday 17th July, Y2MS will be having their class treats in the afternoon. Children can bring a change of clothes for the afternoon should they wish to do so and will be building Lego and having a bubbles session.

Payment for School Meals from September

On Friday 17th July, children in Y2 will reach the end of their universal free school meal entitlement. **If you wish for your child to continue to have school meals in September, payment for these will need to be made through ParentPay.** If you need any help using your ParentPay account, please speak to a member of the office team. If you feel your child may be entitled to **income based free school meals**, please contact the office, as they can check this on your behalf.

Y3 News

Weston Park Visits

Both Y3A and Y3G visiting Weston Park on Tuesday 14th July. A contribution of £2.00 per child is required to cover the cost of the bus fare. If you haven't already done so, please send £2.00 in cash with your child. If you haven't already done so, please complete the following google form to give permission for your child to attend the visit: <https://forms.gle/ij7SSgDZEYgz8tzPA>

Y4 News

Y4J Class Treat

On Friday 17th July, Y4J will be having their class treat in the afternoon. Children can bring a change of clothes for the afternoon should they wish to do so.

Y5 News

No additional news this week.

Y6 News

Circus Skills Workshop

As part of Athelstan's win for the Junior Road Safety Officer scheme, we have secured an exciting circus skills workshop for Year 6. Each class will get to enjoy a fun, hands-on 60-minute session as part of this prize on the morning of Monday 13th July.

Y6 Gulliver's Valley

Year 6 are due to visit Gulliver's Valley on Wednesday 15th July 2026.

We are asking for a contribution of £9.00 per child towards the cost of the coach. We would be grateful if parents/carers could please log on to ParentPay as soon as possible and make a payment if they haven't already done so. Thank you for your support.

End of Year – Water Fight

As a special end-of-year marble treat, we would like to reward our Year 6 pupils for their consistently outstanding behaviour with a water fight on **Thursday 16th July**.

Children are welcome to bring an inexpensive or old water gun that they are happy for other children to borrow, if required.

To help everyone enjoy the activity comfortably, children should arrive at school in shorts, a t-shirt and trainers they are happy to get wet. Children should also bring:

- A complete change of dry clothes
- A towel
- Sun cream (already applied before school where possible, with additional sun cream if needed)

If you would prefer your child **not** to take part in this activity, please email their class teacher before Thursday 16th July.

ParentPay Accounts

As our Y6 children will soon be leaving us next week, please check your child's ParentPay account for both school meals and also any outstanding payments, including trips and any Breakfast Club attendance. If the account is in arrears, please make an urgent payment, to clear the outstanding debt and to cover the cost of school meals for the rest of the school year. The cost of school meals is £2.95 per day. **If your child's ParentPay account is not in credit by Monday 13th July, no further school meals will be permitted and you will be contacted to provide your child with a packed lunch.**

Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Our Y6 Leavers' Assembly is on Friday 17th July at 1:30pm. The assembly will take place in the Junior Hall and will last for approximately 45 minutes. **The assembly is for adults only, so please arrange childcare for any siblings.**

T-Shirt Signing & Leavers' Books

If your child would like to take part in the traditional shirt signing as they come to the end of their time at Athelstan, please could we ask that they bring in a **separate** shirt/polo shirt on Friday 17th July. As it is the Leavers' Assembly on this day, we would prefer them to wear the **unsigned** shirt for the assembly. We will also be providing all children with an Athelstan Leavers' Book for signing on Friday.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

**Well done to Y2MS who have achieved this week's highest attendance.
Most improved attendance this week were Blue & Y5DF.**

Class	This Week's Attendance
Red	89.4%
Green	92.3%
Blue	95.5%
Coral	98.3%
Ochre	86.1%
Violet	93.3%
Y2RJ	96.7%
Y2MS	99%
Y2AC	93%
Y3A	95.3%
Y3B	90.4%
Y3G	93.7%
Y4J	89.7%
Y4W	92.6%
Y4B	96.6%
Y5BT	89%
Y5HB	90.7%
Y5DF	95.7%
Y6JT	90.3%
Y6NB	93.4%
Y6LB	80.3%



FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 14.07.26	KS2 Career's Fair Afternoon
Friday 17.07.26	Y6 Leavers' Assembly (Adults Only) – 1:30pm
	Final day in school before the summer holiday

Have a lovely weekend!

