



# SHERINGTON WEEKLY

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## THIS WEEK

Wendy Steatham, the choreographer for Arts Week dances, was in school in order to finalise specific artwork and music track for each class of children from Reception to year 6. She will be in for 3.5 days next week and will work with the children during intensive sessions designed to teach every dance from beginning to end. Having spent the morning with Wendy on Wednesday, I am very excited to be involved in this initial, crucial process. We are incredibly fortunate to have secured Wendy again; her passion and commitment are hugely appreciated.



Monday's assembly was all about being competitive but never losing sight of a moral code and strength of character. Discussion focused on having integrity and a mindset open to reflection and change.

On Thursday, the children came together to join the wider commemoration regarding D-Day 80. They were interested to understand more about D-Day itself and appreciated why it is important, so many years later, to mark this occasion. They watched part of a CBBC Newsround clip and considered the plethora of character strengths required by those involved in the conflict. Whilst not glorifying war, the children clearly understood the sacrifice made by the few for the many. Also as part of this assembly, the children were informed that next year, all classes will have names: authors, animals, artists and influential figures were used as examples. Over the coming weeks, the children will discuss ideas in class, present them to Student Council representatives and then, all will vote on the final four agreed categories on 4th July. Watch this space!

So, as we have now reached the end of the first week of the final half term, time for a well-earned weekend of calm and reflection. Gary Hinchliffe Acting Head of School

### Attendance

The award for last week's attendance goes to 1B with 99.3%

### Word of the Day

This week's vocabulary has been: deserve, comb, confiscate, wriggle, appeal. How can you weave these in to this weekend's conversation?



On Wednesday, Year 6 children went to Imperial War Museum, London. They looked around the WWII galleries and saw artefacts (both big and small) from the time period; these included a rock that had been lodged in a D-Day ship and a Spitfire (as well as many more). As well as this, they met Jess, who was born in 1945 and grew up in the years following the war. She told them about rationing after the war and what it was like to grow up in a London where Anderson shelters and bomb-sites were their playgrounds. It was fascinating to meet someone who was actually there.

'I found it interesting to find out that you would have one outfit for your year's worth of rationed clothing and that rationing lasted for 9 years after the war ended.' Connor

Year 2 had an exciting and informative time at The Ragged School Museum this Wednesday. As part of their Humanities topic based on Edith Nesbit, the children have been learning about how schools and homes were different in Victorian England. At the museum, we met the fearsome Miss Poole, who paced the children through a realistic Victorian lesson, from the register to arithmetic and the importance of good posture. They also took part in a session using artefacts and photographs to infer facts about the past. Many children chose to come in Victorian costume and all impressed with their knowledge of the time period, their clean fingernails and even their joined handwriting.

'I loved when the teacher, Miss Poole, was being strict. I knew she wouldn't really hurt us but we got to experience what it was really like for Victorian children.' Greta

Why don't we go back?' Alena



The Girls' Football Team had their presentation on Wednesday evening. They had a great season, finishing eighth out of 21 teams. The entire team showed great persistence, zest and teamwork throughout all games.

On Wednesday, nine children took part in a cricket tournament. They played fantastically and finished third out of 7 schools.

### Library visits

This year, Sherington children have enjoyed regular visits to either our in-house library or the local community library on Old Dover Road. During these sessions, the children have demonstrated love for reading and literacy, with many of them exploring books they had not considered before. Feedback from the Better Library on Old Dover Road has been incredibly positive, with staff commending our older children on their impeccable behaviour, clear love of books and reading and have said they are a joy to welcome into the space.

The library are running a reading challenge this summer which is linked below. The children who choose to take part can earn stickers, a booklet and a medal for reading 6 books. The library will also be holding free activities including crafts and interactive animal visits in the library to support this challenge.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Thursday 20th June

World Refugee Day

### Friday 21st June

Sports Day

EYFS and Key Stage 1 at 9.30am - 11am. Key Stage 2 at 1.30pm - 3.15pm.

Blackheath Rugby Club

### Friday 5th July

Summer Fair: The Summer Fair is going to take place after school on Friday 5 July 2024 from 3.30pm - 6pm. There will be food stalls, lots of fun games, crafts, face-painting, balloons and a raffle.

It promises to be a lot of fun for the whole school community as well as raising money to support outdoor learning, including Forest School.

Volunteers: please get in touch with the Friends of Sherington to help out at the Fair.

You can help on the day - just an hour before, during or after the Fair will make a huge difference. No skills or experience required, just a willingness to get involved to make the Fair a success.

Advertising board: our sponsors Trupenny's will donate £10 for every sign they put up to advertise the Fair.

Please fill out this form to confirm you are happy to have a board outside your home (you don't need to do anything else, they will install and remove it for you) <https://tinyurl.com/Trupennys>

### Monday 8th July

Arts Week begins

Concerts will be on Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th. KS1 at 9am and KS2 at 10am. More details and tickets to follow.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

### Governors

We are strongly supportive of the school's ethos, share the enthusiasm and excitement for learning that pupils and staff have and are immensely proud of Sherington's outstanding achievements. We are committed to the Sherington vision of "Aspire Believe Create Achieve" and between us, bring a wide variety of skills and experience to our role.

Governors can be contacted on [governors@sherington.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:governors@sherington.greenwich.sch.uk)

For more information, click here: [Sherington Governors](#)

### Free School meals

The DfE have sent through updated guidance regarding Free School Meal eligibility which includes information for parents who are self employed. Please click here to read:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65fdad5965ca2f00117da947/Free\\_school\\_meals.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65fdad5965ca2f00117da947/Free_school_meals.pdf)



# IN THE LOCAL AREA

## Greenwich Supports

Get help with the cost of living.

You can find lots of information here about support from the council, local charities and community groups.

<https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/Greenwich-Supports>



## Is your child protected against measles?

Childhood infections can be serious, even life-changing. Check their Red Book or contact your GP surgery to find out & book in any missed doses.

[livewellgreenwich.org.uk/child-immunisations/](http://livewellgreenwich.org.uk/child-immunisations/)

### HEALTH ADVISORS PARENT DROP IN

JUNE 2024  
THIS MONTHS TOPIC IS:  
**TRANSITION TO RECEPTION SCHOOL READINESS**

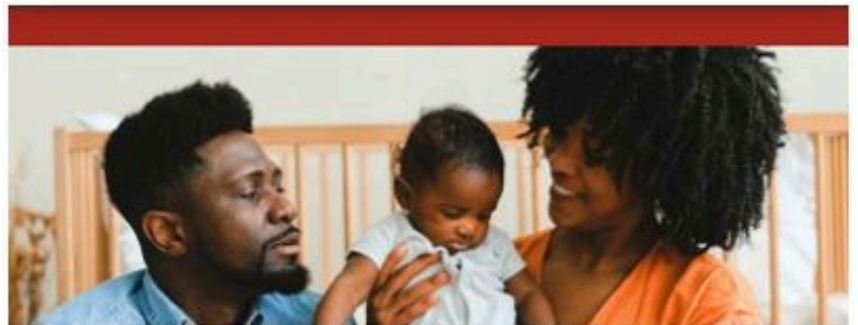
**WOOLWICH COMMON YOUTH HUB**  
14TH JUNE 2024 10 - 11 AM  
144 NIGHTINGALE PL, SE18 4HE

**HAWKSMOOR YOUTH HUB**  
17TH JUNE 2024 9.30-10.30AM  
2 ORIOLE WAY, THAMESMEAD SE28 8EG

**VALLEY CENTRAL CHARLTON YOUTH HUB**  
27TH JUNE 2024 9.30 - 10.30 AM  
THE VALLEY, FLOYD RD, SE7 8BL

**AVERY HILL YOUTH HUB**  
TUESDAY 25TH JUNE 2024 10.30 - 11.30AM  
ANSTRIDGE RD, SE9 2LL

0208 317 6319  
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## Quaggy Community Counselling Service

### Perinatal Counselling for Greenwich Residents

Pregnancy and the first two years of your baby's life is a period of significant change and transition. At Quaggy Community Counselling Service we provide counselling to explore difficulties and anxieties relating to birthing, changes in roles and identity and relationship difficulties.

Short-term counselling is available if you are pregnant or are caring for an infant under the age of two. The fee for counselling is set at £2 per session. If you would like to access the service, or would like more information please call 020 8465 9785 or email [qccs@quaggychildrenscentre.org.uk](mailto:qccs@quaggychildrenscentre.org.uk).

## Measles cases are rising in England

Make sure your child is up to date with their MMR vaccinations

[www.quaggydevelopmenttrust.org](http://www.quaggydevelopmenttrust.org)