



Sharnford Weekly Newsletter

*"Many hearts make our School
Nourishing, flourishing and fruitful."*



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Friday 28th August 2026

MESSAGE FROM MRS BOYD-HOPE

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see all our families back -

and to welcome new families too.

The children have settled in well, and after a few days of "getting to know you" activities, have begun to access normal lessons. Curriculum newsletters will be sent out so you can see the coverage this term and support at home.

Have a lovely weekend!



MONDAY -

School Closed

WEDNESDAY

Meet the Teacher

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We look forward to seeing parents/carers of Y1-Y6 at our Meet the Teacher event on Wednesday 2nd September. Teachers will show the same presentation twice in order for parents/carers of siblings to access the different classes.

Presentation 1 will start at 5pm

Presentation 2 will start at 5:30pm

Celebrations

A fantastic well done to our Sharnford Superstars: Piper, Eleanor and Ivy for demonstrating our Christian Values.

Well done to Emily, Martha, Isabella and Kathryn for their achievements outside of school.



Safeguarding



Safeguarding the children in our school is our number one priority. We have a duty of care towards every child and take this responsibility very seriously.

We have strict child protection and safeguarding procedures which we must adhere to at all times. Our staff attend regular safeguarding training and are trained to identify signs and symptoms of abuse, ranging from neglect, witness of substance abuse (alcohol or drugs), to aspects such as physical and emotional abuse.

We listen to, and take seriously, anything the children tell us, as even one-off incidents can emotionally or physically harm a child long term.

Equally we may receive information from a concerned neighbour or member of the community and this too, must be reported or acted upon.

On occasion we may need to report our concerns to Social Services. Please be assured it is not our intention to 'point the finger' or to upset parents or carers, we are required to follow our procedures to ensure children are protected from harm or from a potentially harmful situation.

We would also urge any members of the public who witness anything they feel is a safeguarding matter outside of school, to contact 0116 305 0005 and report what they have seen/heard. This can be done anonymously.

If your child receives an injury at home, please inform a member of staff when you bring your child into school. Equally, we also urge you to inform us of events at home that may affect your child in school, such as separation, bereavement, anxiety or feeling overwhelmed.

Free School Meals - Do you receive Universal Credit?

IMPORTANT FREE SCHOOL MEALS (FSM) UPDATE - AUTUMN 2026



MORE FAMILIES NOW ELIGIBLE!



KEY CHANGES



Eligibility Expanded!

All families on **Universal Credit** can now apply, regardless of income.



OLD RULES: Income cap of £7,400

NEW RULES: **Income cap REMOVED**
(Save ~£500 per child/year)

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW (From June 1st)

NEW TERM BEGINS: Monday 24 August 2026

FAMILIES ALREADY RECEIVING FSM

FAMILIES WHO MAY NOW BE ELIGIBLE



'Targeted FSM'
versus
'Expanded FSM'
'Expanded'
groups

ACTION REQUIRED:

Click the link below to force a re-check of your eligibility.

HOW TO APPLY

- ✓ 1. Gather Details (National Insurance, address)
- ✓ 2. Submit Online (gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals)
- ✓ 3. Await Confirmation



REC, YEAR 1, YEAR 2: Still automatic meals, BUT apply anyway for **Pupil Premium funding!**

CLICK



CLICK THE LINK TO CHECK IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE!

For queries, email: freeschool.meals@leics.gov.uk



We currently have the following vacancies within our Trust:

[Teacher – Sharnford Primary School](#)

[HLTA – All Saints Primary School, Sapcote](#)

[Teacher \(SEN\) – All Saints Primary School, Sapcote](#)

[LSA – Ullesthorpe Primary School](#)

[KS2 Teacher – Ullesthorpe Primary School](#)

[Trustee – Inspiring Primaries Academy Trust](#)



Let us know you are interested in working with us by joining our Talent Pool [here](#).



Autumn Term - 2026 Calendar

Monday 31 st August	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Wednesday 2 nd September 5pm & 5:30pm	Meet the Teacher - <i>for parents/carers only</i>
Monday 7 th September 9:15am to 11:30am *Weekly every Monday until 12/10/2026	1:1 Signing lessons with Into the Spotlight *Spaces available Click here to book
Monday 7 th September 11:45am to 12:30pm *Weekly every Monday until 12/10/2026	Choir with Into the Spotlight *Spaces available Click here to book
Monday 7 th September 3:15pm to 4:15pm	Football & Fitness After School Club * <i>Selected pupils - details to follow</i>
Tuesday 8 th September 8:30am to 11:30am	RockSteady Music Lessons resume
Wednesday 9 th September 1:30pm to 3pm	Year 1 & 2 Scootability * <i>details to follow</i>
Sunday 13 th September 9am to 12pm	Sharnford PTA Car Boot Sale
Thursday 17 th September	Year 6 Blaby Youth Conference
Friday 18 th September	Jeans for Genes Day
Thursday 24 th September	Foodbank Assembly to pupils
Thursday 1 st October	Severn Trent Assembly to pupils
Thursday 15 th October	Last day of Term
Friday 16 th October	School Closed - Staff Training
October Half Term Holiday: Friday 16th October (inclusive) to Friday 23rd October	