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Wishbone Day - 6th May



On Wednesday this week all Year 11 students and staff wore yellow ribbons and wristbands in solidarity with Year 11 pupil Aisha P who suffers from Osteoporosis Imperfecta. The day is held annually to raise awareness of the condition. Aisha is working towards her GCSEs and her dedication to her work and her volunteering at St John's Ambulance is an inspiration to us everyday! Happy Wishbone Day Aisha!

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Sharples Student signs for BWFC



Congratulations to Hayden R in Year 10 after receiving a contract offer from BWFC for next season. After only 2 weeks of a 6 week trial Hayden had done enough to convince Bolton to offer him a contract for next season!



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Football Festival



A group of our Year 8 students enjoyed a fantastic day at Wigan Athletic as part of an exciting football festival experience on Wednesday. Throughout the day, students took part in a range of engaging activities, including a mental health workshop that encouraged positive wellbeing and resilience, as well as a Q&A session with Latics staff where they were able to learn more about careers and opportunities within football. The highlight of the day was the chance to proudly represent BWiTC in a tournament played on the pitch itself, creating memories our students will not forget. The group showed excellent teamwork, enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout the event, and a special congratulations goes to Lenny, who was deservedly named star player for his outstanding performances and attitude across the day!

See the next page of the newsletter for more pictures.



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Football Festival





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Dates for your Diary

GCSE Exams ongoing

Saturday 9th May:
Bronze DofE Practice Expedition (Turton)

Monday 11th May:
Year 9 MMA enrichment course (1:30 – 3:15)

Wednesday 13th May:
'Teechers GCSE Drama visit - Octagon' 9:15am – 12:55pm

Saturday 16th May to Monday 18th May:
Silver DofE Practice Expedition (Buxton, Derbyshire) – 3 days 2 nights

Attendance Information

Reporting an absence:

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school before 9.30am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. The attendance email is the easiest way to contact school as the phone line can get very busy.

The school attendance email is: attendance@sharplesschool.co.uk

If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Attendance Data

Year Groups attendance this week:

7 = 95.43%

8 = 96.27%

9 = 95.31%

10 = 94.56%

11 = 94.38%

Best forms this week:

7Shar1 & 7Shar5 = 100%

8Shar1 = 98.81%

9Ples1 = 98.73%

10Shar1 & 10Shar3 = 100%

11Ples5 = 98.81%

167 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year

Career of the Week: Bailiff

Bailiffs collect payments for debts and deliver enforcement notices, summons and other court documents.

Average Salary: £ 

Typical hours: (per week)  35 to 40

You could work:  evenings / weekends / bank holidays on shifts

Qualifications:

- 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths, for an advanced apprenticeship.
- To work as a court-appointed bailiff or high court enforcement officer you may also need GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), including English and maths.
- Your employer will give you the training you need to get a Bailiff General Certificate.

Skills required:

- Patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations.
- The ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure.
- Knowledge of public safety and security.
- Legal knowledge including court procedures and government regulations.

Relevant Subjects:

- English, Maths and Law.



Information sourced from: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/bailiff>



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PE Lunch Time Clubs - This Half Term

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y8 Football (Big Astro) - PGR	Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y8 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y9 Football (Big Astro) - AHM
Y11 Football (Small astro) JBA	Y10 Football (Small astro) JBA	Y11 Football (Small astro) JBA	Y11 Football (Small astro) JBA	Y11 Football (Small Astro) - JBA
Rounders/Cricket (SH) - LAL	Rounders/Cricket(SH) - LAL/AHM	Rounders/Cricket LAL/PGR	Rounders/Cricket) - LAL	Rounders/Cricket - LAL
	Sports studies catch up/KS3 hmwk- AHM			



PE After School Clubs - This Half Term

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Y9 MMA session pd5 & 6	Y8 Football Practice	KS4 Girls Fitness suite	Rounders KS4 v Ladybridge (h)	PE detentions
KS3 boys Swimming Club	KS4 Fitness Suite	Y9/10 Football Practice	Cricket practice	
Rounders - all years	Racquets	KS3 boys Swimming Club	KS4 Fitness Suite	
Y7 Football Practice	Running Club		Cricket practice- all years	

Week beginning 13th May

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**SHARPLES PTA INVITE
YOU TO OUR**

SUMMER FAYRE



**FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2026
3:15-5:30PM SHARPLES SCHOOL**

Food stalls, raffle prizes, ice cream,
activities and much more!



**ALL
WELCOME!**

MATHS EXAMS ARE COMING!



★ PREPARE TODAY, SUCCEED TOMORROW ★

PLAN • PREPARE • ACHIEVE

EXAM DATES

USE THE GOOGLE STUDENT SHARED AREA

Everything you need to revise and feel confident in your exams.



PAST PAPERS

Practice exam questions and get familiar with the format.



REVISION SHEETS

Review key topics and strengthen your understanding.



KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

Condense important information and make connections.



USE MathsWatch

Watch videos, complete interactive questions and track your progress.



MATHS
PAPER 1
MORNING



STATISTICS
PAPER 1
AFTERNOON



MATHS
PAPER 2
MORNING



FURTHER MATHS
PAPER 1
AFTERNOON



MATHS
PAPER 3
MORNING



STATISTICS
PAPER 2
AFTERNOON



FURTHER MATHS
PAPER 2
AFTERNOON



★ YOU'VE GOT THIS!



LEARN

DREAM

ACHIEVE





ENGLISH NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 8TH MAY

The English GCSE countdown is up...

Weekend Revision Sessions 10am - 12pm for select pupils



2026							MAY	
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT		
					1	2		
3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30		
31	1	2	3	4	5			

LITERATURE

MONDAY

11
MAY

TUESDAY

19
MAY

THURSDAY

21
MAY

FRIDAY

5
JUNE



2 WEEKS LEFT: YEAR 9 LITERATURE SOCIETY

Year 9's Literature Society 2026 on the theme of 'Gothic Literature' is swiftly nearing it's close.

Over the next 2 weeks, ensure you complete your projects and see Mr Husayn if you require any support towards the finish line.

We're looking forward to what the current participations will produce!

The presentations will be held in U15 at lunch time on the 20th of May. Come up and support your friends peers!

There'll be up to 100 reward points up for grabs and prizes with treats for the best. There'll even be a rewards trip at the end of the year for the winners!



POEM OF THE WEEK

I SING OF CHANGE BY NIYI OSUNDARE

I sing
of the beauty of Athens
without slaves
of a world free
of kings and queens
and other remnants
of an arbitrary past
Of earth
with no
sharp north
or deep south
without blind curtains
or iron walls
of the end
of warlords and armories
and prisons of hate and fear
Of deserts treeing
and fruiting
after the quickening rains
Of the sun
radiating ignorance
and stars informing
nights of unknowing
I sing of a world reshaped.

WHAT ELSE IS ON?

Books and Biscuits



Tuesday
Lunchtime
in the library



WORD OF THE WEEK

Dedication







= the quality of being committed to a task or purpose.

E.g. "The students were full of dedication."



Anime Club
1:05 in U15
every Wednesday

MENU

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish	Cheese Whirl & Salad £1.85 	Marinated Chicken Wrap £1.85	Chips & Battered Fish £2.10	Veg or Meat Moussaka Served with Salad £2.10	Tugo Pizza Slice £1.50
Vegetarian Main Dish	Sweet Potato Enchilada & Salad £1.85 	Italian Veg Pasta Bake Served with Salad £1.85 	Aubergine & Chickpea Dhansak Served with Rice £2.10 	Salsa Jacket Potato Served with Salad £1.85 	Bhaji Burger served on a Folded Naan With Salad £1.85 
And there's more	Panini £1.95 Sandwich £1.45-£1.85 Jacket Potato from £1.85 Salad Box £1.90	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday
Love Joes	Korma Curry Sauce & Rice Tikka Curry Sauce & Rice Served with a Naan Bread £1.90	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday
Pasta King	Pasta Sauce of the Day with Garlic Bread £2.10	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday
Dessert	Fruit Pots 55p-75p Cake of the Day 72p Cookie 50p Large Cold Dessert £1.10 Hot Pudding 90p	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday	Same as Monday

Mellaro
FOOD HAPPY

KEY  **1 OF YOUR 5 A DAY**  **MEAT-FREE (VEGETARIAN)**  **CHEF'S CHOICE**  **PLANT-BASED (VEGAN)**

Allergens and Intolerances All of our food is lovingly hand crafted and prepared on site daily. We have an allergen procedure in place, so please ensure you make our catering team aware of your allergens/ your child's allergens prior to using the restaurant. Our kitchens are used for multi-purpose production so we cannot guarantee the above dishes are completely free from allergenic ingredients or traces of these.





BOOST YOUR BRAIN

BLASTING OFF – WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY



MAIN

Battered Fish & Chips £2.10

Aubergine & Chickpea

Dhansak & Rice

£2.10



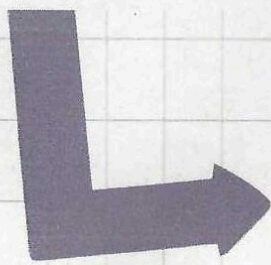
DESSERT

Chocolate & Blueberry Muffin

72p

Granola Pots 80p





HIGH ENERGY SNACKS

Boiled Eggs – Rich in protein and B vitamins which are essential for a healthy metabolism and energy function.

Banana – Full of Potassium (A natural way to replenish electrolytes), Packed with energy rich carbohydrates & vitamin B6.

Yoghurt – A great source of protein and a good way to start the day full of energy.

Hummus & Vegetable Sticks – Hummus is a low sugar carbohydrate that provides sustained energy as well as a good amount of protein, pairing this with vegetable sticks is a great fat and fibre combo.

Oranges – Loaded with Vitamin C and great for preventing fatigue.

Apples – A great source of fibre (this will stop you feeling hungry), and full of phytonutrients, vitamins, and minerals.



FRUIT BOOSTERS

Boosting your customers daily eating habits with fruit can be so easy!

- Try chopping a few of the fruits below up and add them to your water bottle, adding both flavour and nutrients to your drink. You can make up your own tasty combinations too! Also, in the summer you could freeze the fruit and add to your bottle to keep you and your drink cool!
- Fruit Salads are a great way of getting a variety of Vitamins that your body needs each day. Topping this with a dollop of yoghurt and some granola is sure to give you an extra energy boost!



FOOD COLOUR & BODY BENEFITS



White: Strong teeth & bones – Cauliflower, Onion, Parsnip.

Red: Good for your heart – Watermelon, Strawberries, Tomatoes.

Yellow: Healing properties – Lemon, Melon, Pineapple, Banana.

Green: Fights infection – Green Apple, Broccoli, Cucumber.

Blue/Purple: Good for your brain – Blueberries, Red Cabbage.

Orange: Eye health – Carrot, Orange, Butternut Squash.

NURTURING CONNECTIONS

SKILLS FOR PARENTS
AND CARERS



5TH MAY 2026 - 16TH JUNE 2026

6 X 90 MINUTE SESSIONS

ONLINE



Are you looking for practical ways to support your child's emotional wellbeing and development?

Our Nurturing Connections programme offers a safe and supportive space to explore:

- building positive relationships
- strengthening communication
- navigating challenges
- repairing emotional bonds

The sessions will provide you with tools and insights to help you foster resilience, empathy, and healthy behaviour in your child.

To sign up or learn more:

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