

# Sherwood Student Voice

A newspaper written BY pupils FOR pupils.



## WELCOME EYFS

It's our first term back after we had a lovely six weeks off. We arrived back to school incredibly confident and would also like to mention our outstanding EYFS children who have brought pleasant joy into our school. WELCOME!

## BIRD BOXES

We have kindly been donated these wonderful bird boxes by funding from Redrow Homes. The design was specially created by the wonderful and talented Angie Thompson! The wooden structures are not only homes for these heart-warming creatures but also have interesting pictures of birds and other living insects.

## INTERPRETATION BOARD

Our school has also been given an interpretation board. This is to help us identify all of the different creatures that fly past. Angie Thompson designed it so let's give her a big thank you! This board is located in the infant playground, near the chickens, so everyone will have a chance to look at it when we are walking past.

## BOOK DROP

This year's book drop theme is 'Inclusivity' (including characters with additional needs). We did an interview with Mrs Lumb. Here is her transcript...

We asked her what her favourite book was. She replied, 'The Michelle Obama biography'. We then asked her what this year's theme was. The answer is located at the top of this Book Drop section.

We also asked why she chose this theme and she replied, 'In our school, we have been working hard to ensure that we are an inclusive school, with a current focus around Race and Diversity, and this was another section of that.'

## BLUE PETER READING BADGE

Ages 5-15 can enter an exciting Reading Challenge from Blue Peter. You can choose a book to read and write a book review about it. This includes writing about the characters and the adventures they go on and add a drawing of a character or scene from the book. To read more about the terms and conditions, click this [link](#). Let's see how many badges Sherwood can get!



## History of Harvest



Harvest was first celebrated by Reverend Robert Hawker called Hæfest by slaves and other people. The name 'harvest' comes from the Anglo-Saxon tribe.

The first harvest was in Cornwall, South west England on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1843. It normally is celebrated from early September to late November. It is celebrated because Christians thank God for crops. The heritage of this celebration goes backwards in time. They used cattle, slaves and wagons. The pilgrims first encountered harvest and celebrated it together. The first-time harvest was celebrated in church in 1843 and now it's celebrated all over the world!

At Sherwood, we donate our Harvest collection to the Salvation Army.



## Who is The Salvation Army?

The Army is a community that has a mission to share good news, serve others, care for the creation and to seek for justice. They have been changing lives for 150 years and are still not given up on it!

Not just that, their efforts are incredible - looking out for others, saving lives day after day and looking for something to do to help the world.

A great charity!

## What do they do?

The Salvation Army is a worldwide church and registered charity, found in 127 countries. They offer unconditional friendship, and practical help to people of all ages, backgrounds and needs.

They focus on so many different areas of need, from helping victims of modern slavery, to supporting nurseries, community choirs and food banks.

These food banks are available to support people to feed their families.

## What we do at Sherwood to support The Salvation Army.

Every year we bring in hundreds of cans and packets of dried food that has been harvested. And this year has been just as successful! The Sherwood Community has been helping the Salvation Army with food and water, not just doing it because we're told to but doing it to help people.



Love God  
Love Others



## Our Outdoor Learning

At Sherwood, we love to give pupils amazing experiences and so there are so many opportunities for the children of Sherwood to explore the outdoors. Even in this first term, multiple things have happened that let students try new things. Our school value of 'Adventure' shows that all of our pupils give challenges a go, whenever they are given the opportunity. We are expected to show respect and demonstrate our other school values at all times, and so far, we have definitely succeeded! This article will show you some of the students' experiences and achievements throughout these amazing opportunities.

*A Adventure*

## Bikeability

This term, Year 6 have completed Bikeability stages 1-2. Unfortunately, due to the weather warnings, the instructors sensibly decided it was not safe to go on the roads. However, the children still had a great time learning how to stay safe while using their bikes. Although they only got opportunity to ride on the playground, they await the chance of riding on the roads. The Year 6 team are doing their best to arrange another time for the children. There is no confirmed date yet but possibly after SATs, the children will be able to have another go! The children practiced riding one handed, looking behind them and learnt how to check if their bike is safe to ride! Many children learnt how to ride and are now confident riders! A great sense of Adventure!

## Borwick Hall!

Borwick Hall is another one of our great school adventures at Sherwood. Our Year 3s and are Year 4s participated in this amazing journey, getting to do canoeing, rock climbing and group activities.

We had two of our year 3 students in to get interviewed. The two boys (Ethan and Charlie) both participated in this adventure day. Both of the boys said that their favourite thing to do was rock climbing, bell boating and caving!

Other things also happened during this adventure day such as,

- toasting marshmallows
- hunting for sticks for the fire
- cooking over the fire

Unfortunately, the experience was interrupted by the rain but that made it even more fun! Overall, both of the year groups had amazing fun!



## Meet the Team!

Our budding journalists have done an amazing job - researching, interviewing, writing and editing this newspaper for the Sherwood family. We hope you enjoy reading it! If you have any requests for future articles, please add them to your class suggestion box.



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