



Sholing Junior School

Achieving Together

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Sholing Junior School Values



Kindness



Curiosity



Success

Our Sholing Behaviour Expectations



Be Safe



Be Ready



Be Respectful

INSET days:

10th July 2026

1st September 2026

23rd October 2026

4th January 2027

25th March 2027

25th June 2027

21st July 2027

A message from the Senior Leadership Team

As we move into June, we are looking forward to a busy and purposeful summer term. This is always an exciting point in the year: pupils are growing in confidence, routines are well-established, and we begin preparing for the important period of transition ahead.

Over the coming weeks, staff will be working closely with pupils to ensure they feel ready for their next steps—whether that's moving up a year group or preparing for secondary school. We will also be sharing key dates, events, and opportunities for families to get involved as we celebrate the progress pupils have made this year.

We are especially excited for Sports Day, a highlight of the summer term and a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community to celebrate teamwork, effort, and enjoyment.

We will also be welcoming families into school for a range of curriculum events and end-of-year celebrations. These moments give pupils the chance to showcase their learning and allow us to strengthen the strong partnerships we value so highly with our school community.

Have an enjoyable summer term!

Important Dates

JUNE

1st June

First day back after half-term

Wednesday 10th June

Sports Day

Years 3 and 4 – morning

Years 5 and 6 – afternoon

Monday 22nd June – Friday 26th June

Year 6 Wales Trip

Monday 29th June

Year 3 parents Stubbington Meeting for next year residential

JULY

Friday 3rd July

Year 6 Leavers Party 6pm – 7:30pm

Friday 10th July

INSET Day – School closed

Monday 13th July

Reports sent home

Wednesday 15th July

After-school parent drop in for reports

Wednesday 22nd July

Last day of term

Safeguarding

Please keep your eye out for our monthly safeguarding newsletter. This is full of helpful hints and tips for parents and pupils on how to keep yourself safe online.



We welcome our new safeguarding governor to the school – Bex Austin. Bex will be in school over the next few weeks to gain some pupil voice and get to know the school and our children.

As always, for any safeguarding concerns, please email safety@sholing-jun.co.uk.

Attendance

This week saw the launch of our *in it to win it* initiative! The purpose of this is to reward every child who is in school on a given day. This half term, every child who was in school on Monday 18th May received an ice pole to eat in their classrooms.

Thank you for your ongoing support to improve attendance. If you are unsure whether or not you should keep your child off, please seek further guidance following the link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



Uniform and Equipment

We still have a high number of children coming to school without a coat or appropriate footwear. Please ensure your child brings their coat to school daily and that footwear is all black school shoes or trainers only.



Extra-Curricular Clubs

Mondays – Big Mouth Theatre (Drama Club)

Tuesdays – Year 3 and 4 Saints Football

Fridays – Years 5 and 6 Saints Football

If you wish to sign up to these clubs, please come and speak to the office.

PE Days		Library Days	
3T	Monday (outdoor) and Friday (indoor)	3T	Tuesday
3A	Monday (outdoor) Thursday (indoor)	3A	Tuesday
3W	Monday (outdoor) and Friday (indoor)	3W	Tuesday
4G	Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)	4G	Wednesday
4B	Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)	4B	Wednesday
4S	Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)	4S	Wednesday
5N	Tuesday (outdoor) and Wednesday (indoor)	5N	Thursday
5H	Tuesday (outdoor) and Wednesday (indoor)	5H	Thursday
5M	Tuesday (outdoor) and Wednesday (indoor)	5M	Thursday
6D	Wednesday afternoon	6D	Friday
6A	Wednesday afternoon	6A	Friday
6GB	Wednesday afternoon	6GB	Friday



Curriculum Achievements

Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic half term full of exciting learning.



In geography, they enjoyed exploring volcanoes and watching their model volcanoes erupt. In English, they have been working hard

on persuasive letter writing inspired by *Matilda*, using ambitious vocabulary to strengthen their ideas.

In Spanish, they have been learning the names of fruits and vegetables and enjoyed the story of a very hungry giant. Finally, in maths, telling the time has gone really well, with children now confidently working towards telling time to the nearest minute. Well done, Year 3!

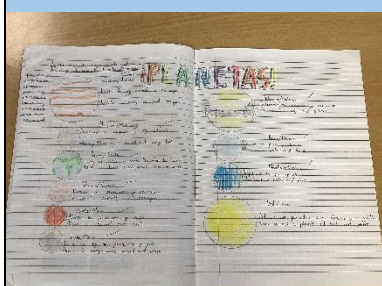
Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy and productive month. In art, the children have begun developing their printing skills, experimenting with patterns and textures. Their history work has continued to explore the Romans in Britain, building a clearer picture of how Roman life influenced the country. In English, the children have written their own narratives based on *The Highland Falcon Thief*, creating exciting mysteries and clever endings to reveal how the thief was finally caught.



Year 5

Year 5 have had a brilliant half term full of exciting topics. In English we have enjoyed the book *Skellig* and the children produced wonderful setting descriptions full of figurative language. During our topic of living things and their habitats in science, the children have drawn the life cycles of different creatures and researched important figures in the science community such as David Attenborough. In Spanish we have been learning the names of the planets and how to describe them using adjectives. We have continued to study Alberto Giacometti's work in art and the children are beginning to complete their wire models, they look fantastic so far!



Year 6

It has been a busy month preparing for SATs. The children have worked incredibly hard and we are so proud of each and every one of them. We have begun a new DT project, exploring fabrics, their properties and how to join them together; this will culminate in creating a bag that they have designed. We are very excited to see their visions come to life!



Junior Travel Ambassadors

This month, the JTAs have taken part in a school inspection of our site and local area to determine how eco friendly our site is and to help us gather information for future initiatives.



Supporters of Sholing

Look out for news about our Father's Day Raffle coming soon!

A vibrant poster for the Sholing Junior Summer Fair. At the top, there are two strings of colorful triangular bunting in shades of red, yellow, green, and blue, with a yellow sun in the center. The main text is in large, bold, purple letters: "SHOLING JUNIOR" and "SUMMER FAIR". Below this, the date and time are written in pink: "SATURDAY 20TH JUNE" and "12-2PM". The poster is decorated with illustrations of a red barbecue, a yellow ticket with "TICKET ***" written on it, a pink wrapped candy, and a vanilla ice cream cone. At the bottom, a pink banner contains the text: "IF YOU WISH TO HOLD A STALL, PLEASE EMAIL SOS@SHOLING-JUN.CO.UK".

**SHOLING JUNIOR
SUMMER FAIR**

**SATURDAY 20TH JUNE
12-2PM**

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Pupil Leadership Team

SPORTS DAY

The countdown begins, soon the house teams will be going head-to-head again on June 10th! There will be lots of sports events such as football, basketball and of course athletics. Please don't forget to wear your house colours. Let's see who will be crowned the new champions - **may the best house team win!!!!**



Library News

2026 is the National Year of Reading! With reading for pleasure among children in the UK at an all-time low, we are committed to helping our pupils find stories they love.

Attached to this newsletter are year group specific book lists to help encourage reading at home. For Year 6 there is an extra booklist for transitioning to secondary school called 'Moving On 2026'.



Sora

A reminder that alongside our library in school, all pupils also have 24/7 access to thousands of eBooks, audiobooks, comics, and eMagazines via Sora through the Hampshire School Library Service. Accessible on any web browser or the Sora app, the digital collection automatically filters content, so children only see titles appropriate for their age.

How to access Sora:

If you are using a web browser, navigate to <https://soraapp.com/library/hampshiresls> and login using your child's school Google login details.

If accessing via the Sora app, enter the setup code: hampshiresls. Then find Sholing Junior School in the dropdown list. Pupils log into their account using their school Google login details.

If your child is having any issues accessing their account, please speak to their teacher.

BOOK DONATIONS WANTED!

Having a clear out at home? Mrs Gregory is gladly accepting donations of gently used children's fiction and non-fiction books to help refresh our school library. Please drop off any quality books to reception or send them in with your child. Thank you for your continued support!

LIBRARY DAYS

Year 3	Tuesdays
Year 4	Wednesdays
Year 5	Thursdays
Year 6	Monday – Friday breaktimes & lunchtimes