

Hartley Brook Primary NEWSLETTER

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Breakfast Club

Please remember you need to book a place for your child/children to attend Breakfast Club, this is to ensure that we have the correct ratio of adults to children. Please also to pay in advance or on the day your child attends Breakfast. The price for Breakfast Club is £1.50 for the first child and additional children are £1.00 each. Thank you in advance.



Absences

If your child/children are off ill, or off school for another reason, please remember to contact school from the first day of absence and then update school daily. You can contact school the following ways:

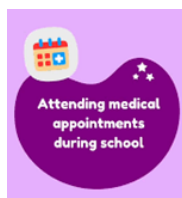
- Message using the My Child At School app, **but do not text.**
- Leave a message via the absence line.
- Phone or call into the school office.

If you do not contact school, then will send a message out asking why your child/children are not in school. This is not only for attendance but also for safeguarding purposes. Thank you for your co-operation.



Appointments

Please whenever possible book medical/hospital and dental appointments after school or during the holidays. We know that this is not always possible ie emergency appointments, but if you do have to take your child to a medical appointment during the school day, please provide proof of the appointment when you collect your child/return your child. Attendance marks cannot be backdated. If you do not provide proof of the appointment, then your child's attendance mark will be unauthorised.



Diary Dates

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Fri 13th Feb - School closed Inset Day

Mon 16th Feb - Fri 20th Feb - Half Term

Mon 23rd Feb - Pupils return to school

Thu 5th Mar - World Book Day

Thu 19th Mar - Year 6 SATs meeting 9.00 am

Fri 20th Mar - Red Nose Day £1.00 donation non uniform

Tues 24th Mar - Parents Evening 3.20pm - 6.00pm

Wed 25th Mar - Parents Evening 3.20pm - 6.00pm

Mon 30th Mar - Fri 10th Apr - Easter Holiday

Mon 13th Apr - Inset Day School Closed

Tues 14th April - Pupils return to school

Mon 4th May - Bank Holiday

Mon 11th May - Thu 14th May - Year 6 SATs week

Fri 22nd May - Inset Day school closed

Mon 25th May - Fri 29th May - Half Term Holiday

Mon 1st June - Pupils return to school

Mon 1st June - Fri 12th June - Year 4 multiplication check

Mon 8th Jun - Fri 12th Jun - Year 1 Phonics screening check

Tues 9th June - Year 5/6 Sports Day (EIS)

Tues 23rd June - Year 3/4 Sports Day (EIS)

Thu 25th June - Class photos

Fri 26th June - Pro Strike football fundraiser

Thu 2nd July - Year 1 Sports Day - 9.15 am

Th 2nd July - Year 2 Sports Day - 1.30 pm

Fri 3rd July - Nursery AM Sports Day 9.15 am

Fri 3rd July - Nursery PM Sports Day 1.30 pm

Tues 7th July - Reception Sports Day 1.30 pm

Wed 8th July - Summer Fair

Thu 16th July - Year 6 Prom - 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm




Fri 17th July - Year 6 Guard of Honour 2.30 pm

Fri 17th July - Last day of term

Monday 20th July - Inset day school closed

Tues 21st July - School Holidays commence

HAF Activities

For children in receipt of benefits related free school meals

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES WITH FOOD

LIMITED PLACES, BOOK EARLY!

How to access?

- Attend a Sheffield School (Reception-Y11)
- Be in receipt of income assessed free school meals
- Have a HAF Code

Not eligible but want to join the fun?

Please contact a club directly to discuss.

Please note, HAF providers may need to prioritise families in receipt of benefits related free school meals if activities are oversubscribed.

How to book?

To book activities online or by phone click the link below or visit www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org

CLICK HERE!

LOST YOUR HAF CODE?

Report a problem with your HAF Code | [Sheffield City Council](#)

OR

Call the HAF team on 0114 203 9303

This February use #HAF to share your fun!

HAF CODE REQUIRED

School Meals Week Beginning 2 February at Hartley Brook

Hartleybrook Winter Menu 2025 Week 3

DAY	MAINS	VEGGIE	SIDES	VEGETABLES/ SALAD	DESSERTS
MONDAY	Cheese & Bean Tortilla	Tomato Pasta	Homemade Potato Wedges Homemade Garlic Bread	Sweetcorn	Chocolate Orange Iced Sponge
TUESDAY	Roast Pork Sausage	Roast Veggie Sausage	Mashed Potatoes Gravy	Seasonal Vegetables	Apple Crumble Cake & Custard
WEDNESDAY	Roast Chicken	Roast Quorn Fillet	Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes Gravy	Seasonal Vegetables	Chocolate Chip Muffin
THURSDAY	Chicken Tikka Massala	Macaroni Cheese	Homemade Garlic Bread Rice	Seasonal Vegetables	Shortbread Pinwheel with Chocolate Custard
FRIDAY	Fish Fillet	Roasted Vegetable Pitta	Chips	Garden Peas & Carrots	Flapjack

Jacket Potatoes, Fresh Salads, Fruit and Yoghurt Served Daily

Young Voices Concert

On Wednesday 28th January, over 5,000 pupils performed in the choir at the arena as part of the Young Voices concert. Well done to everybody who came to all the choir rehearsals and performed on the evening. We performed with professional singers and Urban Strides dance crew. We were very proud.



Attendance Information

Year Group	Tutor Group	Attendance %	Status
Nursery N1	NURS AM	76.92%	●
	NURS PM	72.38%	●
Nursery N2	NURS AM	89.98%	●
	NURS PM	82.79%	●
Reception	REC LM	90.84%	●
	REC ML	93.47%	●
Year 01	Y1 KL	90.84%	●
	Y1 KOR	86.26%	●
Year 02	Y2 ET	91.74%	●
	Y2 FP	91.95%	●
	Y2 NG	91.54%	●
Year 03	Y3 CM	90.27%	●
	Y3 DW	88.55%	●
	Y3 SM	92.88%	●
Year 04	Y4 JD	92.28%	●
	Y4 JW	93.22%	●
	Y4 RB	91.29%	●
Year 05	Y5 LB	88.30%	●
	Y5 NW	93.73%	●
	Y5 SC	92.98%	●
Year 06	Y6 LN	92.17%	●
	Y6 RS	93.13%	●
	Y6 TJ	91.39%	●

Key: ● ≥95% (Excellent) | ● 93-95% (Approaching Target) | ● 90-93% (Concern) | ● <90% (Critical)

EVERY DAY COUNTS

AIM FOR 100%

95% ATTENDANCE TARGET



BE IN SCHOOL
Missing just 1 day a week = 39 lessons lost each year.

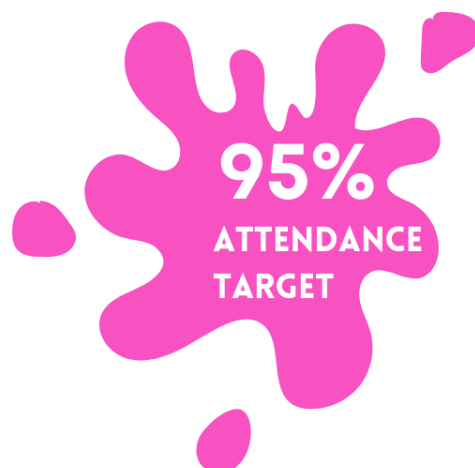
BE ON TIME
Being 15-minutes late each day = 10 days of lessons lost each year.

BE READY TO SHINE
Be part of the 100% Club or High Achievers Club to win weekly, termly and end of year rewards.



HARTLEY BROOK PRIMARY ACADEMY
Astrea Academy Trust
LEARN. THRIVE. SUCCEED

MOMENTS MATTER. ATTENDANCE COUNTS.



Attendance Continued

Turning the Corner Together: Let's Make Every Day Count

As we move through the colder months and hopefully leave the worst of the winter bugs behind us, it feels like the perfect time to reset and look forward.

We know it has been a tough term for illness, but we are now asking for a big "whole school" push to help our attendance numbers climb back towards our school target of **95%**.

Why every day matters

Think of your child's learning journey like a jigsaw puzzle. Every single day adds a vital piece to the picture. When a day is missed, a connection is lost - whether that's a "lightbulb moment" in phonics, a new method in maths, or a bonding moment with friends on the playground.

We want to ensure our little ones have every chance to be successful. By building solid routines at home and ensuring they are in school every day, they are well enough, we build the resilience and connections that last a lifetime. Let's work together to help them be the best they can be.

Nursery Gate: Little Steps to Big Independence

For our Nursery families, we are focusing on "school readiness." To help our youngest pupils transition smoothly towards Reception and Year 1, we are tightening our morning routine.

- **The Window:** Gates open at **8:30am** and will close at **8:40am**.
- **The Routine:** We encourage you to settle your little one, say a confident goodbye, and leave the site by 8:40am.

Running Late? If you miss the gate, please head to Main Reception so we can sign you in safely.

We know mornings can be tricky! But sticking to this 10-minute window helps your child feel secure, calm, and ready to learn.

Parents as Partners: The "Team Around Your Child"

A huge thank you to the parents who have joined us for our weekly attendance meetings. We know getting an invite to a meeting can sometimes feel worrying, but we want to reassure you: **these are not "telling off" sessions.**

Our Student Attendance Panels are supportive chats. Our only goal is to understand what is getting in the way of school (the barriers) and work with you to ensure your child feels **safe**, feels they **belong**, and can **thrive**. We are on your side.

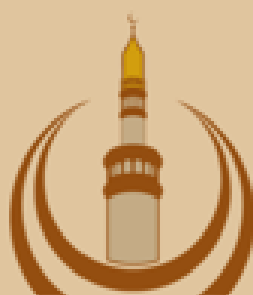
Drop-In Session

Information Drop-In

Do you have a child with
additional needs?

Sheffield Grand Mosque

Support for Families



Sheffield Grand Mosque
مسجد شفيلد الكبير

Friday 30th
January

11am - 2pm



Sheffield Grand
Mosque,
Grimesthorpe Rd,
Sheffield S4 8DE

All welcome,
come along, no
need to book.



Services Attending

Sheffield Parent
Carer Forum,
SNIPS,
Family hub
Preparation for
adulthood team,
Ssendias,
Family Action,
Parent Hub,
Kooth
Continence team
Ryegate Team
SYFAB

and more



Tele: 0300 3214721

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arentcarerforum.org.uk

[https://sheffieldparentca
rerforum.org.uk/](https://sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk/)

First Aid Fun Days

Northern College, Barnsley would like to invite you to their Family First Aid Fun Days!



Northern College

Bring the whole family for two action-packed days of learning, laughter and lifesaving! This is a great opportunity for both children and adults to discover the basics of First Aid through fun, hands-on activities. Join them for a weekend that could help you save a life.

Stay overnight on their beautiful residential campus and enjoy evening entertainment for the whole family. It's an unforgettable experience of fun, learning and togetherness.

Learn what to do in an emergency and gain the confidence to help when it really matters. From bandages to basic CPR, our sessions are designed for all ages, making safety simple and enjoyable for everyone.

Northern College have 2 session dates available for this course:

- Thursday 19 Feb 2026 to Friday 20 Feb 2026
- and
- Saturday 13 Jun 2026 to Sunday 14 Jun 2026

Don't miss out — spaces are limited!

Northern College, Barnsley is the only residential college for adults aged 19+ in Yorkshire. Located within the stunning grounds of Wentworth Castle, their campus immerses learners in a truly unique and unforgettable learning experience. The college offer a wide range of courses, many of which are fully funded for individuals on low incomes or benefits (as part of the Adult Skills Fund).

The programmes offered through the ASF are completely free of charge to the learner if they meet a set eligibility criterion (for example are on benefits or on a low income), and therefore if you are eligible they can offer you this course **completely free of charge**, including a residential offering where you would receive free meals.

How to secure your place

If you wish to apply for this course for yourself and your family, you can do so using the following weblink [**Family First Aid Skills - Northern College.**](#)

Please click on the green **“Apply Now”** button, select your course date, and you can proceed with your application form for enrolment.

If you would like any further information about this course, or to understand the eligibility criteria for funded learning, please reach out to the college Outreach Team for further assistance. The Outreach Team can be contacted by email at [**outreach@northern.ac.uk**](mailto:outreach@northern.ac.uk)

Northern College look forward to welcoming you to their campus!

Water Safety



South Yorkshire FIRE & RESCUE

197 Eyre Street
Sheffield
S1 3FG

Chris Kirby
Chief Fire Officer & Chief Executive

Date: Winter 2025/2026

Tel: 0114 2727202
Fax: 0114 2532266

Dear Parents,

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue would like to bring to your attention the dangers of young people playing on frozen water as well as entering icy open water.

Our key messages for children across the county are:

- **Frozen water:** Do not go on to frozen lakes, ponds, canals and reservoirs under any circumstances. Children and pets are particularly at risk when tempted to play on the ice formed on open water during cold weather. Do not walk or climb onto the ice to attempt a rescue and certainly don't get into the water. You may become the next casualty.
- **Cold water shock:** The UK is a cold water country which means no open water is above 15 degrees. A public swimming pool is between 26-28 degrees. Many fatalities are caused by the cold temperature and how it affects someone when they enter the water. Firstly, it causes a deep intake of breath, during which dirty water will usually be mixed with the air breathed in. Blood will be directed to the core to protect major organs, restricting supply to their arms and legs which are needed for swimming. This makes it very difficult for someone to swim and is often how lives are lost.
- **Pets:** Should be kept on leads when near frozen water and owners should refrain from throwing objects onto the ice for them to retrieve.

Don't give in to peer pressure from your friends, the ice may look solid from the surface but will not hold your weight and could crack when stood on. It could be the last thing you do.



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Water Safety



**South Yorkshire
FIRE & RESCUE**

What to do if you or your friends get into trouble in the water

- If someone can't climb out of the water, it is not advisable, as many people think, to move about in the water to keep warm while waiting for help. Instead, they should conserve their energy by keeping as still as possible.
- If you see someone fall through ice or in trouble in the water call 999 and ask for the fire service. Keep your eyes on them until we arrive. Do not walk or climb onto the ice to attempt a rescue.
- If you fall into the ice keep calm and shout for help. Spread your arms across the surface of the ice in front of you. If the ice is strong enough, kick your legs to slide onto the ice. Lie flat and pull yourself towards the bank. If the ice breaks, work your way to the bank by breaking the ice in front of you away. If you cannot climb out, wait for help and keep as still as possible. Press your arms by your side and keep your legs together. Keep your head clear of the water. Once you are safe, go to hospital immediately for a check-up.
- **What3Words:** Please make all young people aware of this location app. Download it to their smartphone so that if they do get into difficulty we can locate them efficiently, even if they are in a remote area.

For more advice on enjoying the water safely go to www.rlss.org.uk or www.rnli.org

Kind Regards,

C. Huxley



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