



# Parent Newsletter

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W/C 8<sup>th</sup> June is a WEEK 2

### OUR VISION:

To provide an exceptional, knowledge-rich educational experience, which ensures all scholars succeed.

## Key Dates

- 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> June – Duke of Edinburgh Practice Walk
- 8<sup>th</sup> June – Y10 SEND Reviews
- 20<sup>th</sup> June – Lose Hill Walk Trip
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July – INSET Day – School Closed
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Duke of Edinburgh Assessment Weekend
- 9<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Fayre
- 14<sup>th</sup> July – Showcase
- 15<sup>th</sup> July – Rewards Evening
- 16<sup>th</sup> July – Rewards Trip

## Important Updates

### Rewards Trips!

This year we are running 3 trips for scholars to choose from as their reward which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

**There is a maximum number of scholars for each trip so book early to avoid disappointment.**

The choice of trips is as follows:

#### **Trip 1 – Flamingoland**

Scholars will travel by coach in the morning and visit Flamingo Land - A Theme park with rides and an award winning Zoo! There will be opportunities to buy food and refreshments in the theme park. Scholars will return to school once the theme park closes at 5pm. The cost of this trip will be **£45** inclusive of entrance and return coach travel.

#### **Trip 2 – Scarborough**

A day trip to Scarborough which will consist of time spent on the beach playing games or relaxing followed by an afternoon visiting the arcade, amusements and beach shops. There will be the opportunity to purchase lunch, snacks and ice cream. The cost of this trip will be **£5** to cover the cost of transport.

#### **Trip 3 – Cinema**

This is a private screening of new release film Toy Story 5. Scholars and staff will walk from school to the Light cinema in the city centre. There will be an opportunity to buy some refreshments from the counter before taking your seats to sit back and enjoy the film. Once the film has finished, scholars will return to school for the remainder of the day. The cost of this trip will be **£6**.

For scholars who are eligible for free school meals a packed lunch will be provided for all trips. Trips can be signed up for and payment made through MCAS. Please note, that cash will not be accepted. Payment must be made by **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June** at 9am. If you have any issues paying through MCAS please contact main reception.



### **Youn Carers Week: 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June marks the start of carers' week and we want to take this opportunity to celebrate the amazing Young Carers at Astrea.

A young carer is someone under the age of 18 who provides care for a member of their household or another family member due to a disability, long-term illness, mental health condition or substance misuse. This support could include taking siblings to school, helping with cooking or cleaning, helping with shopping and many other things. It is estimated that around 1 in 10 young people qualify as Young Carers.

We believe that being a young carer teaches responsibility, tenacity and respect-three of the core values of Astrea and so should be celebrated, however we also know that these amazing scholars need and deserve support and we work closely with Sheffield Young Carers to help provide this support.

If you believe that your child, or someone you know, may be a Young Carer, please contact our Young Carer Lead, Mr. Krajewski to discuss how we can support.

### **Culture Day**

We are pleased to share the total amount raised on Culture Day was £692. This money will be donated to our chosen charity, As-Salaam Foundation.

Thank you so much to scholar leadership for organizing a brilliant day and for every scholar and member of staff who donated!

### **BBC Breakfast Interview**

A huge well done to our scholars, staff and parents who took part in the BBC breakfast interview with Sally Nugent!

Click here to watch the full interview: <https://www.astreasheffield.org/sheffield-students-appear-on-bbc-breakfast-phone-ban/>

### **Uniform**

Please remind your Y11 child to return all borrowed uniform to scholar boutique by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

It is also the time of year where we are taking donations of old school uniform or PE kit, so if your child has outgrown any of their uniform. please feel free to donate it to scholar boutique.

### **Family Dining Lunch Menu's**

We are excited to share that new lunch menu's has been launched this week and scholar feedback has been

wonderful!

Please click the following link to view the **NEW** menus for family dining:

<https://www.astreasheffield.org/parents/food-menu/>

Don't forget you will need to let us know on the Wednesday of the week before whether you want your child to eat the school food or a packed lunch for the following week.

You must let us know if you want to change whether you are opted in or out.

If you are opted in and want to stay in, you don't need to do anything - same for if you are opted out and want to stay out. However, if you want to change from opted in to opted out or vice versa, you must let us know by the Wednesday before the week you want to change.

If you do not let us know that you would like to opt out of family dining, then you will still be charged.

Please also remind your child that if they are bringing in a pack lunch from home then they must not have a school dinner. Unfortunately, we are seeing scholars who have chosen to opt out of family dining but are still eating the school lunch which means they will still be charged.

## Community Advisory Group

Our vision is 'to provide an exceptional, knowledge rich educational experience to ensure all scholars succeed'. To continue the journey towards fully realising this vision, it is important that the school works closely with parents and the community.

The purpose of the CAG is to reflect on the journey the academy has been on, receive feedback from parents and members of the community and discuss the next steps which can help develop the academy to continue to move forward.

Our CAG dates for this year are:

- Thursday 16th October 2025
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026
- Celebration/ thank you- date TBC

If you wish to sign up to the CAG, please email [info@astreasheffield.org](mailto:info@astreasheffield.org)

Take a look at the CAG member profiles on our website: <https://www.astreasheffield.org/get-involved/parent-community/>

## Community Sessions

- Women's wellness on Monday mornings
- ESOL on Wednesday mornings
- Computer skills - Wednesday Mornings – sign up required!