

Sherwood Student Voice

A newspaper written BY pupils FOR pupils.



PLAS MENAI AND TOWER WOOD

In late May and early June, year 5 and 6 went on magical adventures to Tower Wood and Plas Menai, respectively. The adventurous activities across the five days included water sports such as: kayaking, paddle-boarding, sailing, windsurfing and much more. And it was not just about getting wet; dry activities like climbing, abseiling and 'Leaps of Faith' were also enjoyed. Their outdoor adventures were a blast.

PUPIL INTERVIEWS

We asked pupils who had attended the fun activity weeks, what they thought:

Q: What was your favourite activity?

A: Y5: climbing and sailing
Y6: windsurfing.

Q: Why did you like those activities?

A: Y5: I like getting out of my comfort zone.
Y6: I love jumping in water.

Q: Will you go to future residential trips?

A: Both: YES!!!

Thank you to Amelia in Year 6 and Aminah and Zahra in Year 5, for your feedback.

SPORTS DAY

Sports day is a day where primary and High school children are competing in races like sprints and relays. But it is more fun than just competing in the races – you get to cheer on your team too! Although many schools just do it for fun, some have medals and trophies when you win. This year, we had a couple of Sports Days rained off but we persevered and managed to all complete our days!

SPELLING BEE!

Spelling Bee has three rounds – the first takes place in class to find the 'Class Bee' for each house. Those children are awarded a star badge. Then each class bee competes across their year group to find the representative for the finals! This is a day where children work together and against each other in spelling races. The class teachers make up a group of words for each year group depending on their year. At Sherwood, all years up to year 5 write the words down but in year 5&6, they are challenged to spell it out loud!

PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION!

Performing arts is a house team activity where each group performs a show for the school. It's like a dance battle but for groups of children from years 3 and up. You do singing, dancing and others talents that you would like to show off.



SUMMER HOLIDAY FUN!

We know that the Summer Holidays can feel very long so we have pulled together some ideas to fill your time! Let us know if you enjoyed any of them!

SUMMER CRAFTS

Summer is coming up which means the days are getting warmer and longer. This gives us more reasons to get active and to get outside.

Don't have any ideas?

Here, read this to find the best rainy day and sunny day activities.

TOILET ROLL BEES

FOLLOW THESE FEW STEPS TO MAKE YOUR HOME-MADE BEES

You will need:

**A paper toilet roll,
Some yellow, black and white card,
Black pipe cleaners,
Googly eyes and a black pen.**

- 1) start by covering the toilet roll in the yellow card so the roll is not seen,
- 2) cut the black card in two long strips and wrap it around the yellow card,
- 3) unowned use the white, cut it into semicircles (half circles),
- 4) stick the white card on the side on the roll with glue,
- 5) cut the black pipe cleaners smaller and stick them inside the roll

USE THE PICTURE FOR REFERENCE.

If you have any other craft ideas, please make them, and if you want you can show the class your creation!



BROCKHOLES

At Brockholes you can walk through nature on beautiful walks. The grounds are around a large lake where you might spot swans, ducks and herons too. It is a perfect place to go to on your bike for a slightly long ride on part of the Guild Wheel. There is a main route around the lake, some of it is out in the open fields whilst other parts are through there forest, in the forest you might see some wonderful wildlife like deer.

Around the walk you will see a few bird watching houses, where you can go in and quietly watch the birds and other animals on the lake. At the main part of the site there is a café with cooked meals, sandwiches, drinks and ice cream. There is also another ice cream shop near. There is a small gift shop and a educational building there too. All of these buildings are floating on the lake. Brockholes is very known for its floating buildings. For children there is a large playground and hidden in the bushes there is a big obstacle course! Brockholes is another place perfect all year round, but you might sometimes need a coat!

MRS DOWSON'S FARM

This is a great farm to go to for a day out since it provides great food. This includes Mrs. Dowson's amazing ice cream (which is quite widely known) as well as take away tub of it if you really like it! For children of all ages there is a large adventure play area with a sand pit, climbing frame, obstacle course and more. In the actual farm area, you have the option to buy food to feed certain animals like alpacas, goats and sheep. But you can also book sessions like feeding the lambs. At some points in the day, you have the chance to go on a tractor ride out on the fields to explore the wild part of the farm. While you are there you will be able to visit the rabbits and if you want, even hold them! And, if you really enjoyed your day, you could come again since it is great all year round.

BLACKPOOL ZOO

Blackpool is a great place to go in general for a day out by the sea. With its many attractions like the multiple piers and arcades. There are also the many things inside Blackpool Tower itself, like the brilliant view at the top and there is even an arcade, there are more things too that are harder to get into like the ballroom. You can even go for a big trip to the pleasure beach! But Blackpool Zoo is perfect for a family day out. With so many animals, like gorillas, penguins and even chimpanzees! There are also shows, like the sea lion show, where you can watch magnificent sea lions do many impressive tricks as they swim through the crystal water. You can visit the bird house and walk through the enclosure of tropical birds. There is a dinosaur area to walk through and learn about the past creatures of the planet.

Spotlight on...

Edith Rigby

Early Life

Edith Rigby was born on the 18th October 1872. She had 5 siblings and was from a poor class. She went to school at 5 Winkley Square. Later, she moved to a boarding school in Wales until she was 18 years old.

Marriage

Edith married Charles Rigby when she was twenty. The ceremony was held at a Methodist church. They adopted a son later. Many years later, Charles passed leaving Edith single.

Early Adulthood

As she grew up, she noticed women were not allowed to vote. This made her angry and she joined. During a march, Edith was arrested along with other women. As a suffragette, Edith went on many hunger strikes whilst in prison. She was force fed. Later, the police introduced a new rule. The women who went on strike would be sent home to recover and would be taken back to prison. Taking the opportunity, she escaped to Wales.

Later in Life

Rigby was involved in many dangerous situations including setting fires, bombing places and stealing. Once, she set a fire to a home belonging to a famous lord. He was out that night and Edith was arrested.

Many years later, Edith Rigby suffered Parkinson's disease and died on the 23rd July 1950.



DID YOU KNOW?

- . Edith Rigby was the first girl to ride a bike. People didn't agree with it so she was pelted with lots of items like rotten fruits.
- . She was arrested 7 times.
- . Women usually had to stay home but Edith didn't like that.
- . She set up a school for mill girls when they finished from work hours.



The end of a school year – and the start of the next one!

Growing Up

Growing up can be hard, especially when you're just getting used to a new space. What if your new teacher will be not nice?! (As Year 6 children, we know that all the teachers in the school are very nice so you shouldn't worry.) But for some, they are moving schools to secondary school and that can be a scary situation because you can't see your friends again and have to make new ones and remember we're all of your classes are! But if you read this I'm guaranteed you will feel better!

Moving up a Year

Whether you're in foundation and going into year 1 or year 5 going into year 6 and all the rest, you don't need to worry. We've been through every year in this school and we were fine! You may worry about how hard the work will be but it is a walk in the park! You'll get the hang of it in no time. And, if you're stuck, someone will help for sure. Or all the test you're doing might seem big, hard and scary but it's just like the work you already do. So, you don't need to worry and everything will be fine.

Goodbye Year 6!

We're going to say goodbye to our year 6s because they're going to move into their new high schools! This may seem out of your comfort zone and you might be wanting to stay in this school and aren't ready for the change but some could feel excited to go and might feel ready for the new experience. Which ever you are, it will be fine. You will still see some of your friends there and you'll find your way around eventually. So, on their last day, say a huge goodbye and make them feel better about leaving by wishing them luck!



Top Tips!

- Be good and nice to your new teacher and support staff.
- Try your best at your work
- Listen well so you know what you're doing
- And most importantly, carry through your Sherwood Primary School Values and Expectations and set a good example to the new foundation children!