

SHARPS COPSE NEWS



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We'd like to wish everyone a lovely summer holidays. Be safe, have fun and enjoy the break. We look forward to seeing you back on Thursday, 4th September 2025.



FAREWELL

As this academic year comes to a close, we say a fond farewell to the following staff: Miss Winter, Miss Barnett, Miss Hayles, Mrs Knight and Miss Wright.

We would like to extend a massive thank you for all their hard work and commitment to the school; the children and their families. We wish them all the best.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mrs Cutting and Miss Higgs for reaching their 25 years service with Sharps Copse Primary, this is such a wonderful achievement and we thank them for all their continued dedication and hard work.

THANK YOU

Gary Bell has been a fantastic member of the Governing Body for over 6 years as a Parent and Co-opted Governor. As a parent he has been invaluable and the governors would like to thank him very much for all of his hard work, support and commitment.

SMARTPHONES

In response to growing concerns around smartphone use and its impact on mental health, schools across the Havant and Waterlooville area are joining forces to address this important issue. More details will follow in September, including parent workshops—please keep an eye out for updates in the new academic year. Thank you.

BUILDING WORK SCHOOL SITE

As you will have noticed the building work is coming to a close and you will see our lovely new extended buildings and outdoor areas. It has been a long year and we thank you all for your support whist the changes have been made.



Congratulations to our Year 6 on their SATS results this year. An incredible effort by our amazing pupils and all their teachers over their Sharps Copse journey. Our results are in line with national average which is fantastic. Well done!

LOST PROPERTY & GLASSES

Please ensure your child has come home with all **their belongings**, if they are missing anything please come and check in school before our last day on **Tuesday 22nd July 2025**. We have lots of **jumpers, water bottles and un-named clothing**. If these are not collected on the last day of term they will be donated. Thank you.

SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE INCREASE

Sweatshirts - £12.00 Fleeces - £16.85 Book bags —£7.50

PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED INFORMATION SHEET REGARDING UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS.

If you have any difficulties providing the correct uniform for your child(ren) please see

Mrs Cutting our Family Link Worker or visit our 'Pre-loved'Uniform rail in the Office area.

Orders can be placed by emailing us on <u>adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk</u> Please include your child's name in the **subject heading** and we'll size them up - payments to be made using your **SCOPay** account.





Diary Dates 2025/2026

Monday 21st July - Whole School Staunton Trip Tuesday 22nd July - Last day of Summer 2 Term

Summer holidays Wednesday 23rd July – Tuesday 2nd September

Wednesday 3rd September - INSET DAY School closed to all children Thursday 4th September - First day of Autumn 1 Term Monday 8th September - Yr R staring part time all week Tuesday 16th September - Yr R in full time Wednesday 8th October - School photos individual and siblings Friday 24th October - Last day of term

October half term Monday 27th October 2025–Friday 31st October 2025

Monday 3rd November - First day of Autumn 2 Term Wednesday 12th November - Parent Tours for Yr R Sept 2026 9:30am & 1:30pm Thursday 13th November - Nasal Flu Vaccine whole school Friday 14th November - Yr R visit to the Park Tuesday 18th November - Parent Tours for Yr R Sept 2026 5:30pm Wednesday 19th November - Yr 6 Runaways End Residential until Friday Thursday 20th November - Parent Tours for Yr R Sept 2026 3:30pm Tuesday 9th December - Yr R visit to the Church Wednesday 17th December - Yr R Nativity to Parents 9:30am Friday 19th December - Last day of term

Christmas holidays Monday 22nd December 2025 - Friday 2nd January 2026

Monday 5th January - INSET DAY School closed to all children



Letters issued to parents this half term via email:

Whole school letters:

EARA non uniform day Extended Day Sept 2025 Simple recycling scheme Summer District HAF Flyer End of Year Report Trip to Staunton whole school Medical Review (individual children)

Year R letters:

Yr R Report meeting Splash Park visit

Year 1 letters: Walk to St Albans Church

Year 3/4 letters:

Cooking sessions and parent invite The Power of Music Concert

Year 5/6 letters:

David Attenborough film after school Yr 6 Whatsapp letter to parents Yr 6 Photos for leavers assembly Wimbledon Trip (individual children)

Please make sure we have your up to date email and telephone details.



Cathedral Sing Concert Yr 2



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All our letters and important information are available on our website

www.sharpscopseprimary.co.uk

A group of children who had shown excellent attitude, behaviour and effort in school got picked out of a hat to go on a trip. These children had the fantastic opportunity to go to the Wimbledon Tennis Championships with Mr Elsen and Mrs Cawley.



They had a truly fantastic day!









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School Uniform

At Sharps Copse Primary School, all children are expected to wear uniform and appropriate footwear. We support the wearing of school uniform as it:

Helps the children to feel part of the school community

Is practical for school activities

Reduces any perception of unequal status

Keeps the focus on learning rather than appearance

Clearly identifies the children during trips

Is smart and establishes good habits for adult life

Denim short, sports trousers and fashion wear are not permitted.

All Year	White, Blue, Pale Blue or Navy Polo Shirt, Blouse or Shirt
	Royal Blue Jumper, Sweatshirt, Fleece or Cardigan
	Black or Grey Trousers, Pinafore Dress, Skirts
	Plain black no logo tracksuit bottoms with permission from school
	Black closed in flat shoes or trainers
	ALL AVAILABLE FROM LOCAL SUPERMARKETS I.E, TESCO/ASDA
Warmer Weather	Grey or Black Shorts
	Blue and White Gingham Dress (Plain cycling shorts may be worn under summer
	dresses/skirts to maintain dignity!)
	Sandals may be worn during the summer but no open toes or backless for health and
	Safety reasons.
	ALL AVAILABLE FROM LOCAL SUPERMARKETS I.E, TESCO/ASDA
PE Kits	White, Blue, Pale Blue or Navy T-Shirt/Polo Shirt
(PE Days only)	Blue, Grey or Black Shorts or Tracksuit Bottoms
	Plain Black or White Trainers
	Plain Grey, Blue or Black Hoodie
	ALL AVAILABLE FROM LOCAL SUPERMARKETS I.E, TESCO/ASDA
Headwear	We encourage children to wear caps or sun hats when playing outside during sunny weather
Book bags	Due to space limitations and risk of trip hazards, we ask that children use the slim-line Sharps Copse logo book bag for school.

Sweatshirts, fleeces, PE Hoodies and Bookbags with the school logo are available to purchase from the school office by emailing your request to <u>adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk</u> and with payment via your child's Scopay account.

Jewellery and Watches – **one** pair of discrete ear-studs or sleepers are permitted but, to prevent injury, these need to be removed or covered with ear tape during P.E. Standard watches may be worn (Ideally analogue to aid learning) but gadgets such as Fitbits or iWatches etc. are not permitted as they are a distraction in class and are an expensive item if lost or damaged. Watches will need to be removed for P.E lessons.

Extreme Weather – Children should dress appropriately for extreme weather conditions. In summer, it is vital that children have a protective sun hat or cap. Sun cream should be applied before they arrive at school on hot summer days.

Boots and sufficiently warm waterproof coats should be provided in extremely wet or snowy weather. As outdoor play is a significant part of Early Years curriculum, the children in the Early Years Foundation Stage should be dressed appropriately for all kinds of weather. Hats, gloves and wellington boots would also be items of clothing that we recommend could be provided for the children.

General:

- Make-up, false eyelashes, nail varnish or acrylic/false nails are **NOT** permitted and not to be worn in school on Health and safety grounds and should be removed before coming to school.
- Please ensure that all uniform and coats are clearly marked with your child's name as this makes it much easier to return lost items.
- Please note that children who are not wearing correct school uniform or PE uniform will be lent spare items. We will contact you and expect the child to be in the correct uniform the following day.



















SHARPS COPSE PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS