



School Newsletter

29 November 2024

Sunnyside Spencer Academy



This week we were delighted to share with you our most recent OFSTED report. We were graded Outstanding in all 5 areas of the OFSTED framework. We are incredibly pleased to be recognised for the hard-work and dedication from our staff and families. Keep your eyes peeled for our upcoming press release.

In Year 5 and 6, we have been learning about our own carbon footprint and what we can do at home to reduce climate change. We have also been doing some market research to enable us to create our own steady hand games for Year 3.

In Year 3 and 4, we have been learning about the steps we can take to manage the erosion of our coasts such as by building sea walls or groynes. Year 3 are planning and practicing how to make their own stop motion animation and in Year 4, they are learning how to create their own podcast.

In Year 1 and 2, we have been learning about moving pictures. We have researched what moving pictures look like by exploring examples and created our own criteria to follow for when we make our own.

In EYFS, they have been practising their winter nativity. We cannot wait to share the final production with you.

Finally, thank you to all the families who joined us for our parent learning conferences on Tuesday. It is always great to share with you about all the ways your child SHINEs at Sunnyside.



**SUNNYSIDE
SPENCER ACADEMY**

OPEN DAY

**WEDNESDAY
04 DECEMBER
2.00 - 3.00 PM**

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 **SPENCER**
ACADEMIES TRUST

Do you know any parents/carers looking for a school place for their reception child in September 2025? Please tell them about our wonderful school and share with them that we would love to meet them at our open day on the 4th December. Places can be booked on our website or through the school office.



Sunnyside **LUNCHTIME** Behaviour Awards

Awarded each week by our Midday Supervisors.



Miss Leung

Chase (Year 2) For always being polite and being well behaved in the hall.



Miss Hallam

Julia (Year 6) For playing with the younger children and taking care of them.



Miss Fung

Nada (Year 3) For being nice and helpful in the playground.



Miss Bulmer

Lyra (Year 3) For being a kind friend.



Miss Coddington

Myla-Rose (R) For always being kind and playing nicely with her friends.



Ms Hung

Linneo (Year 3) For being a helpful friend.



Sunnyside SHINE Awards

This week's award is ENRICH

Our Pride Pound
winners for w/c 25th
November are Positivit
y team .



Big Acorns For practising her phonics at home and reading at least 3 times a week.
Amelia



Year 1 For working extremely hard both at school and at home with her reading and maths.
Esodah



Year 2 For going above and beyond with his learning at home. He always tries his best.
Alexander



Year 3 For always bringing new information and sharing interesting facts with the class!
Sittmin



Year 4 For working hard both at school and at home and making excellent progress.
Komako



Year 5 For working incredibly hard on his reading both in school and at home.
Daniel



Year 6 For settling in so well and being a good friend to our new class member.
Tamaki



Questions of the Week

Each week we will be sharing some questions from your child's class teacher to help them share their learning with you.

EYFS – 1. Can you name the 4 seasons?

2. What happens in the Christmas nativity story?

Year 1 – 1. How is Christmas celebrated?

2. What makes us all different?

Year 2 – 1. What is an oral testimony?

2. How should you react if someone is being unkind?

Year 3 – 1. How can we protect our coastlines?

2. What is the inverse of $4 \times 3 = 12$?

Year 4 – 1. Can you name 3 different coastal protection strategies?

2. Can you remember how to layer audio in GarageBand?

Year 5 – 1. Can you name a common filming technique?

2. Can you draw the circuit symbol for a cell and a lightbulb?

Year 6 – 1. Why is market research important before making a product?

2. How do you add and subtract fractions with different denominators?



School attendance up to 29th November 2024

Whole School

All Pupils – **94.2%**

Girls - **93.9%**

- Boys - **94.6%**

Receives Pupil Premium - **91.6%**

Not Pupil Premium – **97.1%**

NB. Colour coded in line with National Attendance currently 93.9%:
Green = above national, Red = below national

Individual Class Attendance

Cherry Blossom – **96.9%**

Cherry Tree – **94.2%**

Willow – **95.6%**

Sycamore – **93.9%**

Oak – **92.0%**

Mighty Oak – **94.3%**

NB. Colour coded in line with SHINE Reports:-

Perfect, **Well done**, **Worrying**, **Concern**, **Serious**



Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday	INSET Day	INSET Day
Tuesday	Roast Turkey or Quorn Sausage Broccoli Cauliflower Stuffing Creamed Potatoes	Apple & Jam Shortcake Yoghurts, Jelly, Fresh Fruit Cheese & Biscuits
Wednesday	Meatballs in Tomato sauce or Quorn Meatballs in Tomato sauce Garden Peas Wholemeal Pasta Garlic Slice	Cherry & Coconut Sponge Custard Yoghurts, Jelly, Fresh Fruit Cheese & Biscuits
Thursday	Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Cabbage, Carrots Gravy Creamed Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding	Krispy cake Yoghurts, Jelly, Fresh Fruit Cheese & Biscuits
Friday	Salmon Fishcake or Vegetable Burger Baked Beans, Chips	Homemade Chocolate Chip Cookie Yoghurts, Jelly, Fresh Fruit Cheese & Biscuits

Dinners are £2.95 per meal or £14.75 for the week



Weekly Activities

Monday	PE – Year 5 & 6 Forest Schools – Year 1 & 2 Eco Club (3:30pm – 4:30pm) Year 2, 3,4,5 & 6 Lego Club Year 1 & 2
Tuesday	PE – Year 3 & 4 Forest School – Year 5 & 6 Musical Theatre – Year 4-6
Wednesday	Forest School – Little Acorns AM, Acorns PM Drumba – Year 3,4,5 & 6
Thursday	Choir Club (3:30pm – 4:30pm) Year 3,4,5 & 6 PE - Little Acorns and Acorns
Friday	PE – Year 1 & 2 Forest School – Year 3 & 4

Full PE Kit – blue/black shorts, joggers for outdoor PE, white T-shirt & black trainers/plimsolls are worn on the day of PE
Forest School – Wellies/Old Trainers, Long Trousers, Warm Hat, Gloves, Scarf and Waterproof Jacket



School Calendar

September

12/09 Swimming Starts – Year 5 & 6
16/09 Individual and Siblings Photos

October

04/10 Inset Day
10/10 Wear Green Day - Mental Health Awareness Day
11/10 EYFS New Parent Tours 4pm
16/10 EYFS New Parent Tours 1.30pm
17/10 Harry Potter themed dress up day
21/10 Half Term

November

05/11 Curriculum drop in event
12/11 Odd Socks Day
21/11 Trust Parliament
22/11 Breaking the rules day
26/11 Parent Conferences

December

02/12 Inset Day
05/12 KS1/KS2 Disco
09/12 Pantomime in School
11/12 EYFS Nativity 4.00pm
12/12 EYFS Nativity 1.30pm
13/12 Winter Craft Fair
19/12 Christmas Dinner Day
20/12 Last Day of Term

January

06/01 Term starts
24/01 Bikeability – Year 3 & 4
28/01 & 29/01 Bikeability – Year 5 & 6
30/01 & 31/01 Bikeability – Year 5 & 6
31/01 Young Voices Choir Concert – Year 5

February

13/02 Last swimming – Year 5 & 6
17/02 Half Term
24/02 Inset Day