

Sheffield Park Weekly News



Dear families,

This week has continued to be very busy again at Sheffield Park Academy, but we are very proud of students for continuing to follow our **Academy Character Values of Community, Ambition, Respect, and Endurance**. Please read our weekly newsletter, sent to Parents via Arbor, which shares some of the key news and events from Sheffield Park Academy.

Kind Regards,
Rob Watson

Uniform and Equipment

I would like to thank you for continuing to work with us in supporting your child to attend every day. We really appreciate parents/carers checking their child's uniform and equipment each morning before they leave the house for school. Students need to:

- **Leave the house and come to school in full uniform every day.** Our uniform policy is here: [Sheffield Park Academy > Information > Uniform](#) . We are very proud of our uniform and how professional and smart our students look at the academy.
- **Bring with them their equipment:** full pencil case, student planner, PE Kit, a copy of their school timetable

Uniform at Sheffield Park Academy



Year 9 Options Evening

Our Year 9 option evening is happening on **Thursday 12 February 2026**. Here's some key information you need to know -

- Options are not optional!"
- All Year 9 students should attend this event (with a parent/ carer)
- Not attending this event will put a Year 9 student at a disadvantage in terms of making strong and informed decisions over their options subjects



Mobile Phones in School

- The government states that schools should be **mobile-phone-free all day**, including lessons, corridors, break, and lunch.
- Sheffield Park Academy already follows this: **phones must be switched off, in bags, and out of sight from arrival to leaving the site.**
- If a phone (or other device like ear pods/smart watches) is **seen, heard, or used**, it is confiscated and must be collected by a parent/carer.
- Students who break the rule also receive a **20-minute after-school detention.**
- A full ban helps students **socialise, focus, and avoid social-media pressures or bullying** during the school day.
- Students do **not need a phone in school**—in an emergency, families should contact the main office or visit reception.



Holocaust Memorial Day

This week we commemorated the National Holocaust Memorial Day in the academy with assemblies and form time education for all students. This was an important day to remember all those who died in the Holocaust in the second world war - this includes a large number of people from many different ethnic, cultural, religious, and political backgrounds (sadly too many to mention specifically), but does of course have a key importance in remembering the 6 million Jewish people killed.

For children in our school the key learning is 'never again': education about the past for young people is ensuring these awful events never take place again in the future.

Year 11 - Important Information!

There are now **14 school days** left until Year 11 Mock 2 exams begin. What else?

- **Year 11 need to attend every after school Success Session** = more marks and better grades
- **Year 11 'Success Evening' is this coming week**, Thursday 5 February 2026 = more marks and better grades
- **Year 11 Saturday school is proving very popular** - over 60 students this Saturday attended! = more marks and better grades
- **Year 11 February half-term sessions are being advertised** = more marks and better grades
- **Year 11s should be following a revision timetable** every evening and weekend from NOW = more marks and better grades

- **We continue to remind Year 11 that we have the highest expectations of them.** In recent assemblies and letter we have been clear: any below expectation behaviour, conduct, and/or attendance could risk a Year 11 student from losing their place at either Y11 Prom and/or Y11 Leavers' Assembly this year.

Sheffield Park Sixth Form

Thank you to those current Year 11s who have applied for our Sixth Form this year via the online platform, Sheffield Progress.

We have seen a 52% increase in applications compared to the same time last year - we are so pleased that more of our brilliant students want to join us in Year 12 next year!

Why Choose Sheffield South East VI Form?



Attendance

Students have made an excellent start to the new year with their attendance, and we are proud of the endurance and ambition that so many of the students in our community have shown in coming to school every day. Keeping attendance high over the next two weeks is very important as we move towards February half-term, as regular attendance helps students stay in routine and make the most of their time in school. **Thank you for your continued support in helping students attend every day.**

Teaching and Learning Beyond the Bell

- Staff at Sheffield Park Academy regularly provide extra support before and after school for students in all year groups.
- Ramyar in Year 10 showed great commitment by staying after school to complete his Enterprise and Marketing work with help from his teacher, Mr Clark.
- The Academy is proud of students who take responsibility for their learning and grateful to staff who go above and beyond to help them succeed.



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