

#### **Flourish Awards**

Children who have been recognised as flourishing this week:

Jake – For going above and beyond in everything all week

Anthony – for fantastic recall of his new phonics words

William – For excellent teamwork during scientific enquiry

Bertie – For showing exceptional patience and kindness to younger children at 3.15 club

Finlay – For excellent leadership in rounders

Harry – for amazing rounders skills

Arthur – for outstanding sportsmanship at rounders

#### **Forest Schools**

We are able to offer classes some additional sessions of Forest Schools this year. Please make a note of the dates below for your child's class. If you are able to help with any of the sessions please let us know.

Date	Class
10 July	Beethoven
17 July	Britten

## **Congratulations On Passing Your Eco-Schools Green Flag!**

This year the Eco-Warriors set themselves the challenge to achieve the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award and recently we heard that our application was successful. This has involved a considerable amount of hard work on behalf of Miss Tye and the whole Eco Warrior team. To find out about what they have been doing and to read extracts from the Eco Schools response follow this link to the school website Eco Warriors | Sharow Primary School

## **Relationships and Sex Education**

Our Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Policy has recently been updated. This is part of our annual cycle but also because we have a new scheme of work to enhance our curriculum. You will surely be interested to learn more about how the RSE curriculum has been put together and what, and when, your children are learning. Follow this link to the website to learn more relationships\_and\_sex\_education\_policy\_1.pdf (sharow.n-yorks.sch.uk)

### **Foss School Disco**

Foss will be holding their school disco on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July from 5-7pm at St John's Church, Sharow. See poster below.

### **September Wraparound**

Reminder bookings are now open for <u>September</u> complete the form and return by 25<sup>th</sup> to secure the cheaper rate.

# **Change to Menu – Friday 14th July**

There will be a change to the menu on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July. We will be having a Seaside Special menu on this day.

Flipper Dippers or Veggie Dog Chips, peas & Ketchup -----Chocolate Ice-cream roll & Fruit

#### **FEAST**

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering loads of different activities for everyone to take part in.

All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for those on benefits-related Free School Meals, thanks to funding from the Department for Education.

To see all the fantastic activities on offer and learn more about how to claim a free place, *visit the FEAST website* 

There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what's on!

# **Class structure in September**

We are now able to share with you the class structure for September.

This year there are quite a number of changes both to the structure of the school and who will be in the classrooms. Due to the challenges of the budget, compounded by the loss of Skelton school, the governors have made the decision to teach year 1 and 2 together and reduce the number of classes to four.

There are many benefits to mixed aged classes, and many schools choose to work like this, as we already do in key stage two. Some of the benefits are:

- Increased social and emotional understanding
- Greater ease in collaborative and independent learning
- More positive peer interactions
- Opportunity for older children to serve as mentors and take leadership roles
- Mixed grouping can enhance and nurture deeper thinking and problem solving skills across all subject areas.
- Wider range of vocabulary to be taught and children to learn stronger social and verbal competences. Children can become strong communicators using language often beyond their current year group.
- Increased opportunity to build relationships.

The space in school will also provide more opportunities:

- There will be a designated room for small group work and intervention sessions, that can be fully resourced and set up ready for learning away from distractions.
- The library will be relocated into a room with more space to share our vast collection of books and reading materials, also creating a calm space for reading.
- A music room will ensure that music lessons can take place at any time not just when the classroom is free. This will enable us to widen our offer of music tuition and encourage more children to learn to play an instrument.

Year group	Teacher
Nursery and reception	Mrs Snodgrass
Year 1 and 2	Miss Coventry

Year 3 and 4	Miss Tye
Year 5 and 6	Miss Copperthwaite will be returning later in the year, once her
	maternity leave comes to an end. The recruitment process for
	September has not yet closed. We will inform you as soon as we
	are able.

#### **Vacancies**

We have a number of vacancies for September and are keen to recruit the right people. If you are able to share these, please do.

### **HLTA / GTA / MSA**

HLTA to provide PPA and class cover combined with a GTA role that includes MSA responsibilities. This post is 15 hours HLTA, 15 hours GTA. Applicants must be committed to providing a high quality of provision for our children. This post will involve providing PPA and cover teaching for classes throughout the school.

HLTA/GTA with MSA Responsibilities - Sharow Church of England School | North Yorkshire Council

## **GTA** with MSA Responsibilities

Salary: Min- £21,030- Max £21,968 per annum, pro rata Grade: CD. Vacancy Hours: 17.5 hours per week. Contract Type: Fixed term, Term time only, till 31/08/2024. Closing Date: 17/07/2023 Interview Date: 20/07/2023

General Teaching Assistant (MSA Responsibilities)- Sharow CE Primary School | North Yorkshire Council

### **KS1 Class Teacher - temporary maternity cover**

Maternity cover in a mixed year 1 and 2 class with a planned start date of 30.10.23.

KS1 Teacher (Maternity Cover)- Sharow CE School | North Yorkshire Council

# What our staff say about working at Sharow CE Primary School

- Working as part of a close-knit team is just lovely. We bounce off each other, we get energy from each other, we support each other, and we even have time for a laugh.
- The children are fabulous. They are never dull. We enjoy watching how they support each other, mature and work hard to achieve things. The older children are brilliant with the younger ones and there really is a lovely family atmosphere.
- We all need to be flexible as things don't always go to plan but because we are a flexible team it just works.

### **School Meal Prices**

From September 2023, school meal prices are to increase to £3.56 for KS2 and £2.10 for nursery. For quite some time, the school has been absorbing the rising costs of school meals, but unfortunately this is no-longer viable as we manage an already stretched school budget.

We understand that this may make you reconsider your child's food choices in school and would urge you to check eligibility for free school meals, please click on the following link:

Free school meals | North Yorkshire Council

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 continue to be entitled to free school meals under the Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme.

# **Cost of Living Support**

There are a wide variety of support schemes and organisations in North Yorkshire which may be able to help or advise if you are struggling to pay for essentials. Cost of living support | North Yorkshire Council

## Change to the start time

Thank you to everyone who took the time to respond to the school start time consultation. The responses have been reviewed by governors and the proposed start time of 8.45a.m. from September 2023 will be adopted. The end time of 3.15p.m. will remain.

## Safeguarding

Parents play a crucial role in the development of their children's water safety knowledge, skills, attitude and behaviours.

Follow the link to the RoSPA website for useful information. RoSPA is a not-for-profit organisation that has worked for more than 100 years to help people recognise and reduce their risk of accidents, at home, on the road, at work and at leisure. Their goal is to enable everyone to live their lives to the full, safely. Parents - RoSPA

## **Oral Health e-learning**

E-learning for Children and Families Services, Early Years and Health around oral health advice. Additional resources are also provided throughout the session. <u>Children's Oral Health - elearning for healthcare (e-lfh.org.uk)</u>

# **Lets Talk Sensory Sessions**

This session for parents and carers of children with SEND will focus on sensory preferences, differences and how to find a calm state. The session has been developed in partnership with NYC Inclusion and NHS Occupational Therapy. It will be presented by Rachel Comerford, Specialist Lead for Communication & Interaction in North Yorkshire.

We will consider the following questions:

- -What is sensory integration?
- -Why do people respond differently to their environment?
- -What is the purpose behind actions?
- -Is it ok to intervene and how do we go about it?
- -How can we develop self-regulation?

There will also be an opportunity for Q&A, including talking about individual scenarios and problem-solving specific sensory conundrums!

This session will be taking part on Wednesday 12th July and will run at two separate times during the day. Both will be held on Teams. The links to sign up for these can be found below:

#### 1:00-2:30pm

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lets-talk-sensory-processing-tickets-645491080197

### 6:30-8:00pm

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lets-talk-sensory-processing-tickets-645499675907

# **Summer Reading Challenge**

Ready Set Read! Libraries across North Yorkshire are getting ready to Kick off this's year's Summer Reading Challenge which is themed around the power of play, sport, games and physical activity. The Summer Reading Challenge is aimed at children aged 4-11, encouraging them to keep reading and enjoying books throughout the summer. Children can sign up at any North Yorkshire library from 15th July and will receive their collector's folder to get them started. There are stickers and other rewards to collect along the way and children complete the challenge by reading at least 6 books by 9th September. All children who complete Ready Set Read! will be awarded a medal and a certificate. It's FREE to join your local library and FREE to sign up for Ready Set Read! And look out for loads of fantastic events for children and families happening in our libraries throughout the summer holidays

#### Out of school achievements

If your child has any out of school achievements, we would love to hear about them. Send pictures and information to <a href="mailto:admin@sharow.n-yorks.sch.uk">admin@sharow.n-yorks.sch.uk</a>



Frankie, Isla, Sofia and Caitlin all took part in the Summer dance show at the Royal Hall Harrogate on Sunday. The girls were fantastic and performed to a crowd of 300.

## **Diary dates**

(These can also be found on the website)

12<sup>th</sup> July 14<sup>th</sup> July **19<sup>th</sup> July** 21<sup>st</sup> July @ 2.15 5<sup>th</sup> September End of Year Celebration Service 2.15 pm Foss School Disco 5-7pm **Britten Class Performance of Joseph 6pm** School closes for summer break School re-opens for Autumn term

## **Ripon Cathedral Summer Activity Mornings**

Ripon Cathedral are holding Summer Activity Mornings every Tuesday in August, click <u>here</u> for more information.

### **Summer Tennis Sessions**

Please click <u>here</u> for further information on summer tennis sessions being run by Thirsk Tennis Club

