



Weekly Bulletin 24th March 2023

29 th March 2.15pm	Easter Service – all welcome
31 st March	School finishes at 3.15pm for Easter Holiday
31 st March	Foss Easter Fair from 3.15pm
17 th April	Training Day School Closed
18 th April	School Reopens 8.40am
1 st May	Bank Holiday School Closed
8 th May	Bank Holiday School Closed
9 th – 12 th May	Y6 SATs week
16 th May	E Safety Day, including parent sessions
22 nd May	KS2 Cross Country
25 th May	Sports Day

Flourish Awards

Children who have been recognised as flourishing this week:

Katy & Seb - For putting a huge effort towards the class reading challenge

Teddy - For taking ownership of his learning and trying to answer questions out of his comfort Zones

Poppy - For always being ready to learn and encouraging others to do the same

Staff Changes

Mr Bishop will be moving on from Sharow school after the Easter break and therefore there are to be some slight staffing changes to Britten Class. During the summer term, Mrs Kendrick will be teaching the children Monday to Thursday and Mrs Dixon will teach them on a Friday.

KS2 Multi Sports Club

KS2 After-School Sports Club will be back up and running after Easter - yes!

The weather will be glorious, the grass will be dry and so our sporting options are endless.

Come and join, the larger the group, the more fun we can have.

Try your hand at basketball, tag rugby, rounders, handball, football, t-ball, athletics, hockey - as well as some of Mr Banks' favourite games such as Battleships. See you on Thursday after school, starting 20th April.

Sports Club will be charged at £4 per session. If you would like your child to take part in the club please can you consent and make a payment on Parentpay.

Foss Treasure Hunt

Sharow treasure hunt

Ideal Easter holiday activity! Keep the kids entertained and have a walk around Sharow. Pick up a question sheet next week at the FOSS Easter fair for a small charge - all funds go to school! Thanks to the Redhead family for designing this.

FOSS Easter Fair

Friday 31st at 3pm in the playground, weather permitting! There will be stalls, biscuit decorating, craft, guess the name of the teddy, games and the famous marbles-in-a-jar competition and not to mention the chocolate tombola!

We are asking for Easter egg donations for the chocolate tombola - please could these be brought into school on Monday/Tuesday next week.

Children are also invited to decorate an egg and/or an Easter bonnet and they can bring these in next Friday. Reverend Ruth will be judging and there will be prizes for the winners but also something for all who enter.

For more information click [here](#)

FOSS Movie Night

We raised £235 at Movie Night so thank you to all families who attended and supported this event. It was the first of its kind for school so we're glad it was a success. Please let FOSS or the office know if you have any suggestions for a film for next term.

Change to Menu

There will be a change to the Menu on Wednesday 29th March. We will now be having an Easter Roast Lunch.

Roast Chicken with Yorkshire Puddings & Gravy
Roast Potatoes, Peas & Carrots

Chocolate Fudge Cake & Chocolate Sauce

Forest School Volunteers

Berlioz Class will be taking part in Forest School every Monday from after Easter until the May half term.

Forest School is a child-centred inspirational learning process, that offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions. It is a program that supports play, exploration and supported risk taking. It develops confidence and self-esteem through learner inspired, hands-on experiences in a natural setting.

If you would like to join us for one or more of these sessions, please let Mrs Bellwood know either in person, by telephone or email.

Street Sign Comp

As parents/carers may be aware, V&A Homes will be commencing development of 60 new homes in Sharow during the coming year. They would like to invite the staff, students and their families to suggest names for the new roads within the development and they will provide a shortlist to The Council for approval. They would be particularly keen for the suggested names to have a local significance, either places, people, events or features. V&A Homes are very excited to be associated with the delivering these new homes to our community and are sure there will be some fantastic suggestions for names that will become part of the villages history for many, many decades to come. There will be a prize for any names that are chosen and of course the chance to visit the street you named in years to come!! Please submit your suggestions, with your name, to the school office **no later than Thursday 30th March 2023.**

Governor Update

Justin Wheatley is leaving our governing board and we would like to thank him for his contribution over many years.

Anna Whitham will be joining our Governing Board. Here a few words from Anna to introduce herself:



I am delighted to be joining the Sharow School community as a LA Governor. I am currently a Year 2/3 teacher at Queen Mary's School in Thirsk and have taught in schools for the past 10 years. Earlier this year, I completed a Masters in Learning and Teaching at Oxford University and have a particular interest in school improvement. I am hoping that the knowledge and skills I have gained from working in the teaching profession will be advantageous to the governing body. I look forward to working as part of the Sharow School community and meeting many of you in the future.

Choir Club

Due to the popularity of choir club in school, Mrs Kendrick has decided to extend it to include Y2-Y6 children.

From the Summer term Choir club will take place on a Tuesday after school till 4pm. The club will be run at a cost of 50p a week to help pay toward music, copyright & performances. A payment item has been set up on Parentpay to allow you to pay for the club and give consent for your child/ren to attend. Consent must be given on Parentpay for your child to attend. If you have any queries regarding the club, please speak to Mrs Kendrick or alternatively Mrs Bellwood in the school office.

Singing Club

Singing Club will start after Easter for all children in Byrd & Bach class who would like to attend. This club will be lead by Mrs Kendrick and take place on a Wednesday lunchtime. There will be no charge for this club.

Dog Fouling

We have had reports of dog fouling on the footpath leading to the school. Please can we ask that if you do walk your dog in the village or if you know anyone else that does, please be responsible and collect up after your dog.

Summer Term Lunch Menu

The Summer Term menu is now available on the website and can be viewed by clicking [here](#)

Parking restrictions near schools

What are the yellow zig-zag lines on the road outside schools for?

We have painted yellow 'zig-zags' road markings outside our school for a very good reason: the safety of pupils.

Do not park or stop even for a short moment on these markings.

Any cars stopped or parked in the restricted area can hide small children who are about to cross the road. The children may not see approaching cars, and approaching motorists may not see the children.

Enforcement and penalties

You'll see time plates on poles near the zig-zag road markings.

The Highway Code states: **"You MUST NOT wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings."** (Highway Code rule 238, Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.)

Despite this, a small number of parents/carers continue to stop or park illegally and dangerously on these markings. We periodically step up enforcement to target the minority of parents who ignore the rules.

If you stop or park on the markings, you could face a fine

We all want to keep your children safe. You can help – keep the zig-zags clear.

Do you have to drive to school?

Most children live close enough to walk or cycle to school. Please consider this option. Walking is good exercise for children... and for you! Additional benefits include significantly better air quality outside cars and children arrive better prepared to settle in class and learn after an active, stimulating and energetic journey to school.

If you really must drive, allow time to park safely and considerately, and do not block entrances, driveways, or junctions - you may have to park some distance away from the school and walk the rest. Morning arrival and afternoon departure of pupils inevitably results in traffic jams near schools so allow plenty of time for your journey. Try walking or cycling one day, it may be faster!

If you can walk, hold your child's hand, especially when crossing roads and teach them correct road safety skills for life. You can play your part in reinforcing the road safety education which your child receives at school.

Message from our Eco Warriors

The Great Big School Clean

What is it?

The Great Big School Clean

When is it?

17th March until 2nd April

What do we have to do?

Collect as many bags of litter as possible to help save the environment. We can use litter pickers in school to collect litter we see and then count the bags altogether.

How can you help?

On weekends your family will be able to borrow our litter picking equipment. All you need to do is ask Miss Tye and she will give your adult the litter pickers. Once you have collected your litter dispose of the bags and when returning the pickers, you can tell Miss Tye how many bags you collected to add to our total. For more information click [here](#)

Wraparound Care

Reminder bookings are now open for [April](#) complete the form and return by 25th to secure the cheaper rate.

Safeguarding - Undressed

[Undressed \(lgfl.net\)](#)

This resource isn't for teens, it's for the youngest primary pupils. Why? Although there is awareness about teens choosing to or being coerced or tricked into sharing nudes online, this is about another issue altogether (although the principles taught here will also help children as they grow into the age of sexual experimentation later.

We want schools and parents to spread the message of Undressed to the very youngest primary pupils because

law enforcement agencies such as NCA CEOP have repeatedly warned about sexual predators tricking young children into getting changed or undressed on camera by playing a 'game' or issuing a 'challenge' to see how fast they can get changed into different clothes or into a swimming costume.



This might happen over video chat or livestreaming app; children often don't even know this has happened; videos are often taken and then circulated.

The Internet Watch Foundation has identified an increase in this trend during 2020 ([IWF annual report](#)) – and it's important to recognise that this happens in regular, safe families, while parents are in the house...sometimes the analysts notice the recording ending when a child is called for dinner! So this is something that affects all families. Read the IWF report above or these [case studies](#) (also IWF) of real children affected by this abuse strategy (the youngest was 7 years old but even younger children can be affected).

Easter Tennis

Click [here](#) for information on Easter Tennis Clubs

Springtime Live

Click [here](#) for more information about Springtime Live on Saturday 1st April 2023

Ripon Cathedral Events

Ripon Cathedral are holding some activities over the Easter period, for more information click [here](#)

Essay Writing Competition for Y3,4 & 5 Children

Harrogate Ladies College are running an essay writing competition for Y3,4,&5 children. The closing date is 31st March so get writing! For more information click [here](#)

Parent/Carer Voice

We are the recognised Parent Carer Forum for North Yorkshire supporting families with children and young people (0-25 years) with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities. We are holding an event for families on 29th March 2023. Please click [here](#) for further information.

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 admin@sharow.n-yorks.sch.uk