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Dear Parent and Carers

We are very much looking forward to welcoming everyone back tomorrow and just wanted to share a few things before the term begins.

Class names

Numbering the classes at Sharow has never been helpful. For example, Year 1 children were in Class 2, Year 3 children were in Class 4 and Year 6 children were in Class 5.

So, we have decided that we will give each class across the federation a themed name which will also allow them to learn more about the theme. This year, the classes are going to be named after composers:

Sharow

- Early Years – nursery and reception: **Byrd** (Renaissance)
- Year 1: **Bach** (Baroque)
- Year 2: **Beethoven** (Classical)
- Year 3 and 4: **Berlioz** (Romantic)
- Y5 and 6: **Britten** (20th Century)

Skelton

- Nursery, reception, year 1 and 2: **Brahms** (Classical)

Sharow entry and exit points

Byrd	Through the front door of the classroom
Bach	Through the back door through the Early Years outdoor area
Beethoven	Through the main door near the school office
Berlioz	Through the main door near the school office
Britten	Through the main door near the school office



At the end of the day, Sharow children will be reunited with you at 3.15pm and Skelton children at 3.30pm.

Byrd	Class 1	Through the front door of the classroom
Bach	Class 2	From under the shelter.
Beethoven	Class 3	Through the exit opposite Byrd classroom, near the Flourish display board.
Berlioz	Class 4	Through the main door near the school office
Britten	Class 5	Through the classroom door onto the playground.

School lunches

A menu is attached for the autumn term, which operates on a three weekly cycle. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to a universal infant free school dinner; a subsidy grant received from the Government. Children in Years 3 - 6 are charged at £2.80 a day and these are charged through ParentPay. Nursery children are charged £1.90 for a school dinner.

With many families facing financial hardship as the cost of living increases, we want to do all we can to ensure that every family, that is eligible to claim Free School Meals (FSM) for their child, is benefiting from this additional help. In order to make this as easy as possible for both schools and families, we are pleased to announce that North Yorkshire County Council have launched a new and improved application process. Please click [Apply for free school meals online](#) to see if you are eligible.

Packed Lunches

In order to flourish, we need a healthy body and mind. To help us achieve this we have chosen to work towards achieving North Yorkshire's Healthy Schools Award focusing on food as it plays such a big part in our health. We know that our school meal menus are carefully constructed by experts in food nutrition and so are beginning our journey by evaluating packed lunches.

We would like to achieve:

For every lunch to have two pieces of fruit or vegetables, which includes at least one savoury item.

Every lunch to contain a portion of protein.

That no lunches contain sugary or fatty foods.

We ask that children do not have nuts in their packed lunches as we have children in school with nut allergies. Please comply with this request so we can keep our children safe. Can we please request that grapes/olives etc are cut in half lengthways to minimize a choking risk.

Uniform

Nursery to Year 2 - School uniform should be worn every day. On days when PE is scheduled, children should bring their PE kits to school to get changed into for the lesson.

Years 3 - 6 – School uniform should be worn on days when a PE lesson is not timetabled. PE kits can be worn for the whole day when the children have PE lessons.

To find out when your child has a PE lesson, please look at the class pages on the website.

What to bring to school?

Children should bring the following:

- a full water bottle (to be taken home each day, cleaned and filled)
- if required, packed lunch (ensuring all packaging can be opened by your child)
- Reading book and reading record
- Fruit or vegetable for a snack at break (KS1 receive fruit from school)
- Waterproof coat
- Sun hat/cap

If sun protection is necessary, please apply liberally before school.
It is preferred that children do not bring large bags into school as storage is limited to their lockers.

Volunteers

We are always very grateful for the time given to us by volunteers. If you, or anyone you know, would like to volunteer in school to support activities such as forest schools or listening to children read please get in touch with us.

Wraparound Care

Breakfast Club is run by Mrs Fletcher and Mrs Colley, and operates in the dining room, to allow classrooms to get set up and ready for the day ahead. It is at the end of Byrd's (Class 1) outside area.

3.15 Club is based in the hall, but makes the most of time outside too. There has been a slight increase of £1 to the charges. Fees at 3.15 Club are now £7 per session, with a late booking fee of £9.

Breakfast Club Opening time: 7.30 a.m. till school begins Monday to Friday Available to: all children attending school Cost: £5 per session	3.15 Club Opening times: end of the school day till 5.15 p.m. Monday to Thursday Available to: children in reception and above Cost: £7 per session If children would like a snack, they should bring their own with them.
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A booking form is attached for you to complete if you require cover for September and have not already returned your form.

Learning and routines

Remember to look at the class pages on the school website where you can find out about the learning for this term. Timetables, termly overview, home learning expectations and regular updates on class activities.

Home learning will continue to be shared on Teams.

Consent forms

Veritau have updated the consent form can you please complete the attached consent forms and return to school this week.

Yours sincerely

Jacqui Palmer
Executive Headteacher