



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year!

Hopefully, you have had a restful and enjoyable summer break. We are excited to welcome you and the children back to Sharow School for another wonderful year of learning and growth.

School start date: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

School timings: school starts at 8.45am and school finishes at 3.15pm

## Class information

We will be updating our class pages on the school website in the coming week. Please take a look to find out what your child/ren will be learning as well as their timetable.

## Arbor

During the summer, we had planned to be offering you access to the Arbor parents app which links with the new system in school. This has been delayed and further information will be shared as soon as we are able.

## ParentPay

ParentPay remains to be the payment system used. Again, plans for any changes have been delayed but we will give you sufficient notice before these take place.

## Staffing and recruitment

We start the year with a couple of vacancies. If you know anyone who may be interested, please let them have the details.

**Before School Club Supervisor, General Teaching Assistant (GTA) and After School Club Assistant**



Closing Date: 04/09/2024

Closing time: 23:59

Salary: Before School Club Supervisor £2,519.12 annually. General Teaching Assistant £8,136.00 annually. After School Club Assistant £2,169.60 annually Contract: Permanent Hours: 23.5 per week

[Before School Club Supervisor, General Teaching Assistant \(GTA\) and After School Club Assistant, Sharow Church Of England School \(engageats.co.uk\)](http://engageats.co.uk)

### School Administrator 35 hours

Closing Date: 04/09/2024

Closing time: 23:59

Salary: £12 to £12.38 per hour Contract Type: Term Time only Hours/working pattern: Part Time

[School Administrator, Sharow Church of England School \(engageats.co.uk\)](http://engageats.co.uk)

### Entry and exit points

Nursery and reception	Through the front door of the classroom
Year 1 & 2	Through the main door near the school office
Year 3 & 4	Through the main door near the school office
Year 5 & 6	Through the main door near the school office

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

Nursery and reception	Through the front door of the classroom
Year 1 & 2	Through the main door near the school office.
Year 3 & 4	Through the classroom door onto the playground.
Year 5 & 6	Through the exit opposite the reception classroom.

### Lunches

In order to flourish, we need a healthy body and mind.

School meals are carefully planned and nutritionally balanced by professionals in the catering team. The menu is available on the school website.



Packed lunches from home are provided for many of our children and we would encourage you to consider how healthy they are? Guidance suggests that we should aim:

- 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.
- For water to be the only drink.

For the safety of our children, lunches should contain:

- NO NUTS
- GRAPES/OLIVES ETC ARE CUT IN HALF LENGTHWAYS

## Uniform

Black shoes, white polo shirt, Sharow school or plain navy jumper/cardigan, navy or dark grey skirt, skort or trousers. Blue gingham dress or dark grey shorts in the summer.

Hair accessories should be in simple and smart. Not brightly coloured.

As we encourage our Reception children to spend their learning time exploring the environment, which very often includes mud, sand, paint and water, the children in reception can wear either a white or navy-blue polo shirt.

PE Kit: Blue shorts, plain white t-shirt, socks, pumps, trainers (for outdoor use). Navy tracksuit bottoms and Sharow school or plain navy jumper. Hair must be tied up and no jewellery to be worn for PE.

Nursery to Year 2 - School uniform should be worn every day. PE kits should be kept in school during the week and taken home on Fridays.

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

<b>Breakfast Club</b> Opening time: 7.30 a.m. till school begins Monday to Friday Available to: children in reception and above Cost: £5 per session	<b>3.15 Club</b> 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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## Clubs

All clubs are held after school and finish at 4.15

What is it?	Who is it for?	When is it held?
KS1 Sports Club	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Mondays after school
Homework club	Invited children only	Mondays after school
KS2 Singing club	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	Tuesday lunchtimes
KS2 Sports Club	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	Tuesdays after school



Rugby Tots		Fridays after school
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Booking details will be sent later in the week by email – keep your eyes open.

## FOSS

Want to socialise and help Sharow School?

You might have seen the initials FOSS and not known much more about it. FOSS are Friends of Sharow School. We are the PTA (but not the kind of PTA you see in movies). We are a friendly bunch of parents / carers who arrange fundraising activities such as discos and fairs.

Our aim is to put on events that children and families can enjoy that also make money that can fund events and resources for the school. We are always on the look out for new members and you can contribute as little or as much as you like (we totally understand how busy life gets).

If you would like to join, want to know more, or have any ideas or feedback that could be helpful, please drop us an email on [fosssharrow@gmail.com](mailto:fosssharrow@gmail.com) or 07910520336

If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch.

We look forward to a happy and successful school year. Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

*Jacqui Palmer*

Headteacher

