



Weekly Bulletin 20th September 2024

Diary dates

27 th September	Individual School Photos
1 st October	Parent's phonics evening 5.30pm
2 nd October	Learning Together afternoon – phonics and spelling
4 th October	Ripon Walk To School Day
8 th & 10 th October	Pupil Progress meetings

RIPON WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

Get active whilst helping combat climate change! Can you leave the car at home for most, if not all, of the school run?

Did you know that in North Yorkshire more carbon emissions are created by transport than anything else, and that more than three quarters of this comes from cars and vans? By choosing a more sustainable form of transport, you can do your bit to help protect our communities and our planet by tackling climate change. Even if you live too far from school to walk or cycle all the way, there are other options such as public transport, car sharing or 'park and stride' – this is where you park sooner than normal and walk the last part. All these options will help lower our carbon footprint. We do what we can, when we can and every mile counts!

The physical and mental health benefits of exercise are well known, with studies also showing that walking to school improves concentration and helps students arrive ready to learn. Making the journey on foot, by bike or using public transport means fewer vehicles on the road, benefitting the wider community with less traffic and cleaner air.

Ripon Together and Zero Carbon Harrogate will be awarding all schools that take part this year, with a gold award to those that do so most regularly – so let's build great transport habits and choose a sustainable method of travel on the day and beyond!

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Please go to www.zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk/walk-to-school-day for more information.

For guidance on road safety please go to <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/our-blog/get-active/2019/everyday-walking-and-cycling/walking-safety-tips-for-children/>

RESIDENTS URGED TO CHECK THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE

Audience: Primary & Secondary Schools

Cascade: Please share with Families

Residents across North Yorkshire are being reminded to check that they are registered to vote at their address so that everyone who has the right to take part in upcoming elections can have their say on decisions that affect them.

Like all UK local authorities, every year North Yorkshire Council's elections team is required by law to confirm whether the details held on the electoral register are correct. This is known as the annual canvass.

Households with teenagers should be aware that the electoral register can be important for getting a credit rating, which is required when applying for a mobile phone contract or credit card. From age 16 British citizens and qualifying Commonwealth or EU citizens living in the UK can be added.

The letter or email people receive from the council will set out what they need to do, and recipients are asked to respond as soon as possible to prevent costly reminders being posted out.

Households that have not responded before mid-October should expect a visit from someone to get the information needed in person.

Anyone concerned about the risk of scams should be reassured that the council will never ask for bank details as part of the annual canvass. There are also examples of the forms online, so people know what questions to expect.

A revised register will be published on December 1. Find out more about the annual canvass in North Yorkshire and registering to vote at www.northyorks.gov.uk/annualcanvass

Individual School Photos Friday 27th September

We have secured School House Photography (who did the class photos at the end of summer) to take this year's individual photos. Please make sure everyone is in school uniform. If your child has PE on this day, please bring their PE kit to get changed into later.

Rugby Club – Fridays till 4.15

We haven't had much interest in the rugby club for year 3 and 4 so it is going to be widened and offered to year 5 and 6 too. An email with a booking link will be shared soon.

Arbor

We are continuing our switch over the Arbor. Don't panic – everything will be okay. You will have received an email with instructions. Please follow these, and get in touch if you have any problems.

Staffing

Mrs Curzon is having a long awaited operation on her foot and will be away from school from Friday 27th September. She will be replaced by Heidi Cheadle, who has lots of experience teaching year 5 and 6, and has spent today in the classroom getting to know everyone. Mrs Cheadle will be around at the end of the day to meet you all too.

We are hoping that Mrs Curzon be back – maybe not up and running! – after the half term break. This does mean that she will not be available to Pupil Progress meetings in October and these will be rescheduled as soon as possible on her return.

Please help us by encouraging your communities, service users, audiences, networks, partners, friends and families to take part in our engagement survey about how active the residents of North Yorkshire are, and if they aren't what are the barriers stopping them from being active. **The online survey is here www.northyorks.gov.uk/LetsTalk**

This kit is designed to help you share information with your audiences about the 'Let's Talk Active' survey between **9 September and 4 November 2024**.

North Yorkshire Council is continuing our biggest countywide conversation, Let's Talk, to understand how residents are feeling about a range of topics, and to gather intelligence to inform decision making and policies.

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

Community Notices

This Sunday there is a family event at the Ripon Library that is part of the Ripon Poetry Festival. Tickets are £5 per family, and more details are in the flier below.

Rugby Tots will be offering a free Taster session to students in Years 3 and 4 next Friday after school (until 4:15 pm). Please reach out to the school office if you're interested in signing up.

Ripon Together

Ripon Together is holding a Green Fair on Saturday 5th October 2024 (flyer attached) and we are keen to involve young people and families. There will be a range of environmental groups and organisations working on green issues, including sustainable transport and renewable energy. Several of the stands will have activities and information for children, there will be some daytrip bus tickets for families to win and we are holding a children's art competition.

The Climate Change In Colour Competition is open to all local primary school children and the art can be created in school or at home.

Entries should be no larger than A4, but can be created using any materials.

They could be drawn, painted, printed, written or glued together, the more colourful the better, and all should be ideas about our environment, either locally or topics affecting the whole world. They must be at school before 10am on Tuesday 1st October 2024.

Ripon Together will collect all entries from the schools on Tuesday 1st October and as many as possible will be displayed at the fair, where winners will be chosen for each school year.

RIPON POETRY FESTIVAL 2024

Saturday 21st September
10am at Ripon Library



Adisa the Verbaliser
A chance for anyone
who missed Adisa's
children's poetry
workshop last year to
write poems with the
brilliantly energetic
king of Lip Hop.
Funny, enthusiastic
and inspiring. Get
ready to Verbalise!

Visit

<https://riponpoetryfestival.co.uk/>
to book your tickets

Workshop
£5 per
family

Ripon Library, The Arcade, Ripon,
HG4 1EG
Tel. 01609 536623



THE LITTLE RIPON BOOKSHOP

Ripon

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GREEN FAIR

Saturday 5th October 10am - 3pm

Allhallowgate Methodist Church Hall



We want to see your ideas about the environment in any way you'd like

Maximum size A4, entries could be a picture, a photograph, writing, a collage or model. They must include your full name, school and year group and be handed into your school by 10:00 AM Tuesday 1st of October 2024

Judging will take place at the fair

Schools will be notified of the winners after 7th October 2024

Ripon Together cannot be responsible for any of the work and cannot guarantee to return any entries.

Visit ripontgether.com/greenfair
or scan the QR code...



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 **ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS**

 **ENERGY SAVING ADVICE**

 **CAMPAIGNS**

 **LOCAL GREEN BUSINESSES**

 **COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECTS**

 **CHANCE TO GET INVOLVED**

 **RETROFIT**

 **RENEWABLE ENERGY**

 **RE-WILDING**

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 **RECYCLING & COMPOSTING**

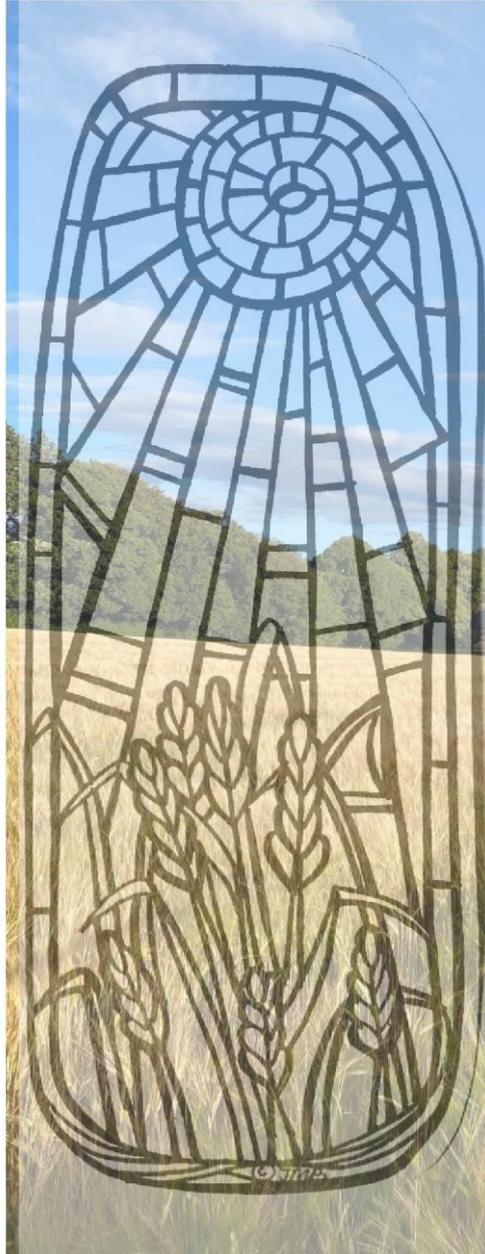
 **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

Experts, Presentations, Stalls & Advice

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Please see the following pages for details of upcoming events at St John's.



Harvest

Family Service

St John's Church

Sharow

All Welcome

September 22nd



Welcome to bring offerings of tinned or packet foods for our Village Food Pantry for anyone needing a meal.



A sharing Harvest lunch to follow after the Service



 RECYCLED DECORATIONS

 **DONATE, BRING & BUY THRIFTY GIFTS**

 HANDMADE CRAFTS & CARDS

 **ECO GIFTS**

 GIFTWRAP GIFT BAGS

 **MULLED WINE**

 REFRESHMENTS

 **COLOURING CALM FOR ALL AGES**

 **GREEN CHRISTMAS FAIR** 

  **ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE** 