



Weekly Newsletter 27th June 2025

Diary dates

30 th June	Y1,2,3,4,5&6	Cross Country- All come in PE kits
30 th June	Year 6	Crucial Crew
3 rd July	ALL	Story telling with Peter Chand at School
4 th July	Year 6	Leavers service at Ripon Cathedral
4 th July	ALL	Live Performance: "Anansi and the lost sun"
8 th July	Year 3&4	Stump Cross & Cold Stone Cut
8 th July	Year 5/6	Performance 1:30 & 6:00
9 th July	ALL	Primary Robins Performance of singing 2:30
9 th July		NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
9 th July	ALL	Internal transition
11 th July	ALL	Rock Steady Concert- 9:30
11 th July	ALL	Summer Fair
14 th July	ALL	Piano Concert 2:30
15 th July	ALL	Uniform Giveaway
17 th July	ALL	End of Year celebration 2:15pm
18 th July		Finish for Summer 2:15pm
2 nd Sept		New School Year.

Saltburn

Tuesday brought most of the school to the beautiful seaside town of Saltburn, not just for a day of fresh air and fun—but for a day of learning in the great outdoors!

Our EYFS children explored the seaside through the lens of discovery. They learned about different types of transport, looked at maps, and talked about what they could see at the seaside—from waves and sand to boats and birds.

Year 1/2 focused on geography, identifying human and natural features around Saltburn.

With clipboards in hand, they conducted a tally survey, counting how many shops, benches, and cafés they could spot along the promenade.

Meanwhile, Year 5/6 took on an environmental mission. They collected data on how much rubbish they could find along the beach and promenade, linking their findings to their current topic: "Why are oceans important and how can we protect them?" Their observations sparked thoughtful conversations about pollution, conservation, and the role we all play in caring for our planet.

And of course, no trip to the seaside would be complete without a splash—we also managed a paddle in the sea, which brought squeals of delight and sandy toes all around!

It was a day full of sunshine, sea breeze, and meaningful learning, with each year group gaining new insights from their surroundings. A perfect blend of education and exploration!



Sacred Art Day at the Cathedral

Year 3/4 had a truly inspiring day at Ripon Cathedral, taking part in the Sacred Art Day. Surrounded by the beauty and history of the cathedral, the children explored their creativity through a variety of artistic activities.

They began by listening to the powerful Bible stories of Jonah and the Whale and Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35–41), reflecting on the themes of trust, courage, and faith. These stories sparked thoughtful discussions and inspired the artwork that followed.

The children created individual collage pieces, using a range of textures and colours to express their interpretations of the stories. Working together, they also designed and constructed a large collaborative group artwork, which beautifully captured the spirit of the day and the messages they had explored.

It was a day full of creativity, reflection, and teamwork—one that the children will remember for a long time.

Year 6 campout

Our Year 6 had an unforgettable evening under the stars during their recent camp out—a brilliant blend of fun, laughter, and just a little bit of chaos!

The evening kicked off with classic games like sardines and hide and seek, filling the field with giggles and excitement. As the sun set, the group gathered to share imaginative stories using the prompts “fortunately” and “unfortunately,” sparking lots of creativity (and a few dramatic plot twists!).

A treasure hunt followed, complete with a tricky conundrum that led the children on a quest to find the lost treasure. Mysterious animal sounds from the woods added to the adventure, making it all the more thrilling.

Later, everyone enjoyed a comforting cup of hot chocolate with a biscuit, while gazing up at a beautiful night sky. There were plenty of giggles, a few trips over guide ropes, and some very deflated air beds—but spirits remained high!

After a night of not-so-much sleep, the morning brought a lovely breakfast of pancakes, fruit, and cereal, shared together in the fresh air.

Tired but happy, the children returned home with memories of a magical night full of laughter, teamwork, and starlit stories.

Year 2 Campout

Our Year 2 camp out was a night to remember! The children kicked things off with a key game and scavenger hunt, followed by a magical walk in the woods where they made clay faces on trees—check out the gallery!

We were drawn to the sound of singing from the church and enjoyed a surprise choir performance. Back at school, we sipped hot chocolate, munched biscuits, and shared giggles under the stars.

Pheasants paid us a visit, and Mrs Walker and Ms Copperthwaite had a laugh with a deflating air bed.

The next morning, we enjoyed breakfast in our pyjamas, chatting about the night's adventures. A truly special experience full of fun, friendship, and a little woodland magic.

Pyjamarama Day

A huge thank you to everyone who came to school in their pyjamas for Pyjamarama Day! It was wonderful to see so many cosy outfits and smiling faces as we celebrated the joy of reading in comfort.

Your support helps raise awareness and funds for BookTrust, ensuring that every child has access to books and the magic of storytelling.

If you would like to make a donation, you can still do so by visiting [Donate to BookTrust](#)

Forest Schools

3.6.25	Year 1/2
10.6.25	Year 3/4
17.6.25	Year 3/4
24.6.25	Y5/6
1.7.25	Y5/6
8.7.25	EYFS
15.7.25	EYFS

We would like to inform you of a small change to our upcoming Forest School sessions. Originally scheduled for EYFS on the 25th June and 1st July, these sessions will now be held for **Year 5 & 6** instead.

We appreciate your understanding and flexibility as we make this adjustment. Further details for EYFS Forest School will be shared soon.

Piano Concert – 14th July

We are excited to announce that our upcoming Piano Concert will take place on Monday, 14th July.

If you play the piano and would like to take part in this special event, please get in touch with the school office as soon as possible. We'd love to showcase the talents of our school community!

Music Lessons – Brass or Guitar?

We're excited to offer music lessons with two fantastic tutors: Brass with Mr Sidwell and Guitar with Mr Rudland Simpson.

If your child is interested in learning an instrument, why not try a taster session before the summer holidays? It's a great way to see what they enjoy before committing.

Lessons will begin again in September, so now is the perfect time to register your interest. Please contact the school office if you'd like to arrange a taster or sign up for lessons.

Let the music begin!

Learning in Mixed-Age Classes at Sharow CE Primary

We are proud of our mixed-age class structure, which offers unique benefits for both academic progress and personal development. Recently, a few parents have asked how this approach works in practice—so we'd love to share more!

In mixed-age classes, pupils from different year groups learn together in the same classroom. This is a well-established model in many small schools and is thoughtfully designed to meet the needs of all learners.

✿ Why Mixed-Age Classes Work Well

- Tailored Learning: Teachers plan carefully to ensure that activities are matched to each child's stage of learning. Pupils are challenged appropriately, whether they need support or extension.
- Peer Support: Older pupils often take on mentoring roles, helping younger classmates and reinforcing their own understanding in the process.
- Flexible Grouping: Children work in a variety of groupings, which helps build collaboration, independence, and confidence.
- Continuity and Relationships: Pupils often stay with the same teacher for more than one year, allowing for strong relationships and deeper understanding of individual learning needs.

📅 Curriculum Planning and Delivery

Our curriculum is carefully sequenced to ensure progression across year groups. Teachers use assessment and observation to adapt lessons so that all pupils can access the content and make progress. We revisit key knowledge regularly to help pupils retain and build on what they've learned.

🗣️ What Ofsted Said

"Throughout the school, pupils are taught in mixed-age classes. Pupils in the same class are therefore at different stages and have different learning needs. The school checks effectively how well pupils are learning the curriculum."

We continue to refine our approach to ensure that teaching is always responsive to what pupils know and need next.

🔗 Learn More

For a detailed explanation of how mixed-age teaching works at Sharow, visit our website:

👉 [Mixed-Age Classes at Sharow CE Primary](#)

Colouring Competition

Following our engaging road safety talk last week with Lauren Doughaty, we're excited to announce a special Road Safety Heroes Art Competition for all the primary schools we've visited this year.

To commemorate our visits and to serve as a lasting reminder of the importance of road safety, we are designing new certificates to leave with each school. These certificates will feature artwork created by the children themselves!

We're inviting pupils to submit a drawing that celebrates Road Safety Heroes. This could be: a lollipop person helping children cross the road safely, A police officer assisting after a road incident Or any other creative idea that highlights someone who helps keep our roads safe We're sure the children will come up with some brilliant and imaginative designs!

Submission Details:

- Format: **A4 paper**
- **Deadline: 11th July**

- **How to submit:** Please bring your artwork into school
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We can't wait to see the children's fantastic creations and celebrate their contributions to road safety awareness!

Parent Governor

Just to let you know that Sarah Brewster will be stepping down from her role as Parent Governor at the end of this term. We're very grateful for all the time and support she's given during her time on the governing body.

We'll be looking to welcome a new Parent Governor in September, so if it's something you might be interested in, have a think over the summer. If you'd like to know more, feel free to chat with one of our current governors, like Mrs Palmer, or get in touch with the school office.

You can also find helpful information about the role on the National Governance Association website: www.nga.org.uk

Parent forum

Our most recent Parent Forum has now been uploaded to the school website. [Parent Forum | Have Your Say at Sharow Primary School](#)

Thank you to everyone who took the time to join us, or share their questions.

Get Involved

This year's chosen charity is [Lucie's Animal Rescue](#). When you have a moment, please can you have a look at the Wishlist with your child and make a donation.

Once a donation has been made, we would love to know about it so we can congratulate / thank them in school.

[Get Involved | Lucie's Animal Rescue](#)

Toy Stall at the School Fair – Supporting Lucy's Animal Rescue! 🧸🐾

We're excited to announce that this year's school fair will feature a Toy Stall to help raise funds for the wonderful work done by Lucy's Animal Rescue!

This is a fantastic opportunity for our school community to come together, have fun, and support a cause that's close to our hearts. Proceeds from the stall will go directly to helping animals in need—providing food, shelter, and care for rescued pets.



Donation Day: Friday 4th July

Please bring in any good-quality toys you'd like to donate on this day. This gives us time to sort and price everything ahead of the fair.

Let's make this a huge success and show our support for Lucy's Animal Rescue. Thank you for your generosity!

Out of School Achievements

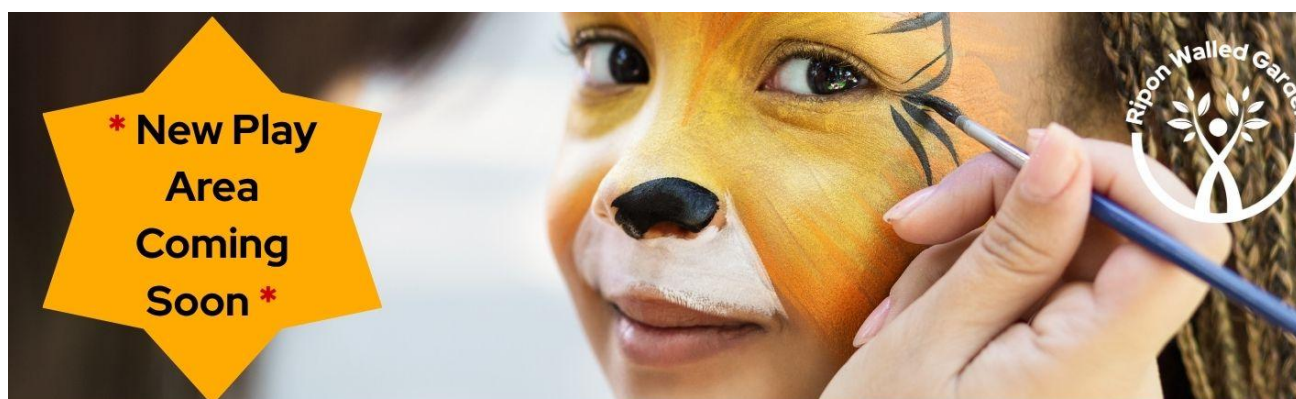
If your child has any out of school achievements, we would love to hear about them. Send pictures and information to admin@sharow.n-yorks.sch.uk



Nicholas played for the U8's Ripon Panthers at a Football Tournament in Killinghall on Sunday. They won 🏆 after playing 6 matches.

Community Notices

Please see below for fliers about activities in and around Ripon



Upcoming Events

School Holidays

Visit our new play area and Woodland Trail

May

Member made **Bird Installation in the Orchard**, enjoy our
Woodland Trail

Sunday 6th July

Spa Gardens for **Ripon Theatre Festival**
Members Performance at 10.30am

Thursday 17th July

A Taste of Royalty with Colin Alderson,
Pastry Chef to Queen Elizabeth II

Tuesday 29th July - 10am & 12 noon

Storytime - Ripon Library at Ripon Walled Garden

9th - 16th August

Beach Week at Ripon Walled Garden

Weds 13th August

Boomwhacker Session -11 am - all welcome

Friday 15th August

Member Danceathon on the beach- all welcome

Saturday 4th October

Apple Day

17th Oct - 31st Oct

Pumpkin Patch at Ripon Walled Garden

Mid November to 24th Dec

Christmas Tree Sales and 7 day opening

Sun 30th Nov, 6th and 7th Dec

Visit Santa Claus at Ripon Walled Garden

January '26

Christmas Tree Collections



**JOIN US ON THE
12TH - 13TH JULY 2025**

**A FUN, FRIENDLY TRIATHLON
FESTIVAL FOR ALL LEVELS**

ADULT SPRINT

750M / 23.4KM / 4.4KM

ADULT OLYMPIC

1500M / 40KM / 10KM

JUNIORS

TRISTART - 8YRS (BORN 2017)

TRISTAR 1 - 9 & 10YRS (BORN 2015/2016)

TRISTAR 2 - 11 & 12YRS (BORN 2013/2014)

TRISTAR 3 - 13 & 14YRS (BORN 2011/2012)

YOUTHS - 15 & 16YRS (BORN 2009/2010)

LIVE MUSIC & SPECIAL GUESTS

JUNIOR ENTERTAINMENT

**JETSKIS. WAKE BOARDING.
TUBING. WATER SPORTS**

ARE YOU JOINING?

RIPON TRIATHLON FESTIVAL



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ACTIVITY CAMPS

Moorside Community
Primary School

28th July - 1st August

AGES:

Year 1 - Year 6

TIMES:

8:30am - 4:00pm



APPROVED



Children's
Activities
Association

BOOK NOW



REGISTERED



SUMMER HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

**BASE
CAMP**

AT BALDERSBY PARK,
TOPCLIFFE.



MON 18TH AUG (8-13 years old)
KAYAKING & FOREST SCHOOL
£38 PER SESSION Includes drinks & homemade snack.

WED 20TH AUG (5-11 years old)
WILD FIRST AID
£32 PER SESSION Includes drinks & homemade snack.

FRI 22ND AUG (5-11 years old)
**WILD SCIENCE &
FOREST SCHOOL**
£32 PER SESSION Includes drinks & homemade snack.

MON 27TH AUG (7-13 years old)
**ARCHERY &
FOREST SCHOOL**
£32 PER SESSION Includes drinks & homemade snack.

10 AM - 3 PM TO BOOK - www.basecamplearning.co.uk

