

Weekly Bulletin June 7th 2024

Diary dates

10 th June	Bags2School collection (details below)
<mark>11th June</mark>	Parents meeting for Y2 campout 5.30pm
<mark>13th June</mark>	Parent forum 5.30pm
21 st June	Learning Together morning – till 9.30 am
27 th June	Year 2 campout
28 th June	Pyjamarama day
4 th July	Sports Day
9 th July	Bath class play
12 th July	Summer Fair
18 th July	End of Year Celebration Service 1.30pm – all welcome
18 th July	Leavers/School Disco
19 th July	School closes for summer 2.15pm

Flourish Awards

Sofia W received an award for writing with detail and stamina. Amelia H received an award for a detailed piece of writing.

Bag2school - next collection is Monday 10th June.

Bring your bags of unwanted / preloved clothes, shoes, bedding and soft toys to school for 9am. This is the easiest way to raise funds for our school without spending a penny. See <u>https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect</u> for more info.



Parent Forum

The next parent forum is scheduled for Thursday 13th June at 6pm. You can find notes from previous meetings on the website <u>Parent Forum | Sharow Primary School</u>

It is a great time to meet other parents and share views about the school, along with meeting some of the governing board. If you have any items for the agenda, please submit them by email to <u>admin@sharow.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> midday on Wednesday.

Forest School Summer 2

Over the second half of the summer term all the children in school are able to have extra Forest School sessions. Below are the allocated sessions for Summer 2.

June 4th	Von Goetz
June 11th	Edison
June 18th	Edison
June 25th	Bath
July 2nd	Bath

Jı	uly 9th	Hawking
Ju	uly 16th	Hawking

Have you ever wondered what goes on in one of these sessions?

Forest school is a child centred learning process, providing learner inspired, hands on experience in a natural environment. It encourages, promotes and develops independence; resilience; confidence; perseverance; risk management; problem solving and social skills. It enables individuals to reconnect with nature and place: developing awe and wonder in the natural world. Children find new skills, new talents, new passions, new friends and they have FUN!

As we watch seasons unfold, life cycles develop, weather impact surroundings, creatures go about their daily lives, we are learning inordinate amounts about ourselves, our world (and even our curriculum!), in an active, experiential way: through play. Alongside this, we are developing practical skills like using tools, manipulating materials, building shelters, fire lighting, cooking, fire safety, tool safety and teamwork. Through risk, challenge and adventure we develop our gross and fine motor skills: building muscles which will make us stronger and more capable humans.

Many of the skills we learn at Forest School will help us back in the classroom, with physical elements like sitting straight and holding a pencil, but also: improved concentration levels, increased intrinsic motivation and improvements in behaviour, are regularly reported.

In a fast pace world of never-ending technology and instant gratification, Forest School gives us the time and space to slow down, reduce anxiety, decrease stress, self-regulate, improve our mental health and BE HAPPY!

Why not join us? We are always looking for volunteers to come and help us out. It doesn't need to be every week – it might just be one session. Get in touch if you would like to discuss this further.

Ripon City Band

Thank you to Ripon City Band for visiting us this week. We learnt about pitch, rhythm and beat; sang songs and danced the can-can; and learnt about some of the band members and their instruments.

If any KS2 children are interested in learning an instrument by joining the training band you are invited to get in touch with them. They've even got instruments for us to borrow.



Choir

The choir performed at Queen Mary's School this week along with pupils from the school. The afternoon began with rehearsals and then ended with a performance for both pupils and parents. Thank you to those parents who came along to listen.

This event brought mixed emotions as it was the last time that the choir would be led by Charlie Gower-Smith. He has kindly offered his expertise and time to us throughout the year, leading weekly choir on a Thursday and performances in services and events. Thank you so much to Charlie for his generosity.

If anyone else would be interested in leading the choir in the future, please contact the office.

Music Tuition

You may have seen reports about the quality of music curriculum and opportunities offered in schools. The government, quite rightly, continues in raising the profile of music and expectations. We are extremely proud that we are able to offer music tuition for such a range of instruments, including piano, brass, strings and guitar.

If you are interested in lessons for your child, please contact the school office. Piano spaces will be coming available in September, and a waiting list will be held.

Street naming competition

We are in communication with the building company responsible for the development in Sharow about the suggested street names. Unfortunately, we only have anonymous records of submission. If your child submitted a suggestion, please contact the office to let us know.

Book Amnesty



Please can you take a look at home for any KS1 reading books? They will have this symbol on the front. We are currently missing 21 books from our scheme.

Out of School Achievements

Denny plays for Boroughbridge Junior Football Club. Last Saturday he received a medal at their presentation. Well done Denny.



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

Information for Parents

Funds Available for Low Income Families

Reminder there are funds available for low income families: List of goods available under the North Yorkshire Local Assistance Fund | North Yorkshire Council

Child Safety Week

The online world continues to develop and is both a vital learning tool, but also an area of risk for children and young people. Over Child Safety Week, North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership want to raise awareness of online dangers and the information they have for parents and carers on our website:

- 1. Games, consoles, smart devices and how to keep your child safe
- 2. Online Safety
- 3. <u>Reporting online images of my child</u>

Water Safety

As we approach the holiday season it is also worth keeping in mind of the risks from open water and open water swimming. Our partners at the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service have produced some informative videos about water safety and North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership have developed some guidance for parents and carers which can be accessed from their website (https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/parents-carers/water-safety/).

Swim safe this Summer

Whilst it may not seem warm enough to go for a swim yet, it's never too soon to be thinking about water safety.

It's scary to think about but drowning doesn't happen like it does in the movies. A drowning child doesn't splash about or cry for help. They slip quietly under the water, often unnoticed. But, once you understand how and where drowning happens, there are things you can do to prevent it.

Be burns aware

BBQ season will soon be upon us and we can't wait to enjoy eating outside again. Just remember a BBQ and the ground underneath it can stay hot enough to cause a serious burn for a long time after it's been used.

So, stay alert and keep children well away from the cooking area until it's completely cooled.

Is your garden child-friendly?

Are you lucky enough to have a garden? Or can your child play in the garden of family or friends? Outdoor play is a great way to burn off energy but not every garden is child friendly. So, make sure chemicals like weed killer and fertiliser are kept away from curious youngsters and garden tools are locked away in a shed.

Children choking on food

Four top tips to stop young children choking:

- 1. Stay with babies and young children while they eat.
- 2. Learn how best to cut up their food:
- grapes, strawberries, small tomatoes cut lengthways and into quarters
- sausages, cheese, large hard fruit cut into thin strips.
- 3. Avoid some foods until they're older hard sweets, whole nuts, popcorn and marshmallows.
- 4. Learn basic first aid so you know what to do in an emergency.

There are a lot of posters at the end of this email but please take time to have a look as they may be of interest.





Do you have an autistic child (with or without diagnosis) and need support?

Autism Central coffee mornings are an opportunity for families and carers of autistic people to connect with each other and get advice and support from Autism Central staff.

This group is suitable for you if you have a family member who is diagnosed/going through the diagnostic process/has been identified as having a need relating to autism, ADHD, sensory

processing difficulties, anxiety and social communication differences.

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Address: Children and Families centre Ripon, Clotherholme road, HG42DE

(attached to the Outwood Academy, Ripon) The Coach stop can be used for

parking during our session

13th May 2024 / 11.30am-12.30am

3rd June 2024 / 11.30am-12.30am

17th June 2024 / 11.30am-12.30am

For more information, please contact the Autism Central team on support@daisychainproject.co.uk / visit https://daisychainproject.co.uk/autism-central/



Considering Baptism? BAPTISMS



All welcome to be Baptised Babies, Children, Adults, & Families by Reverend Ruth Newton in her final Family Service for Baptism 10am at St John's Church, Sharow



Sunday 30th June

Baptism Preparation sessions available Mondays 3.30pm after school, or by appointment

Register interest and find out more details by Email: revdruthnewton@gmail.com

St John's Church Bicentennial Sharow Scarecrow Trail



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