

# Sherburn High School

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Dear parents and carers,

#### Spotlight on Safeguarding:

Please see attached this month's Safeguarding Bulletin that is distributed to all parents/carers in STAR MAT secondary schools.

Remember – if you have any concerns about the safety and wellbeing of your child or any other student at Sherburn High School you can contact our DSL, Ruth Marsh, your child's Head of Year or use the "Tell Us" link on our website.

## Action from last year's Parent/Carer Survey - You said...We did!

You said: We could improve communication home and that sometimes you didn't know who to contact.

**We did:** We have reviewed our communication guidance and attached to this letter is our updated Communication Guidance for parents and carers.

**You said:** We don't always know what our child is learning at school.

**We did:** In the summer term we reviewed the curriculum information on our website. Please take a look to find out what your child will be learning whilst they are at Sherburn High School.

**You said:** Year 7 parents and carers said that they would have liked to meet with their child's form teacher before Progress Evening.

**We did:** We have added a Year 7 Meet the Form Tutor online event to our school calendar, the date for this is Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November (further details to follow).

#### **Biometric permissions**

As part of our new catering service, we will be updating our payment system in the coming weeks. To facilitate this, we will need to retake every childs biometric. This will allow your child to continue to use the cashless service easily. If for any reason, you would like to revoke your permission for biometrics please email <a href="mailto:admin@shs.starmat.uk">admin@shs.starmat.uk</a> at the earliest opportunity. You must do this before Tuesday 8th October.

### Life beyond the classroom:

This week's assemblies have focussed on one of our key words, "Community." Throughout the week Ms Miller has shared with students how they can contribute to the school community by joining in the many extra-curricular activities that are on offer, for free, to all students.

If any young person is unsure about what's on offer, full details are on Google Classroom. Alternatively, if they speak to Ms Miller or their form teacher, they will be able to find out more. I was particularly impressed to learn that over 80 students auditioned for our school production, "Matilda" and I look forward to meeting our new student leaders after the forthcoming elections.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support,

Kind regards, Miriam Oakley Headteacher