

Sherburn High School

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Dear parents, carers and students,

Keeping our Students Safe

The safety of our students is an absolute priority and it is because of this that I wanted to warn parents, carers and students of what is known as the "Blackout Challenge." This challenge, which has started to recirculate on social media, involves young people purposefully attempting to make themselves faint by holding their nose/breath until they pass out. Sadly, there have been a number of deaths associated with this challenge and a number of schools in Yorkshire have reported incidents that have required urgent medical attention.

As always if anyone has any concerns about the safety of young people please do let us know. You can do this by contacting:

- Your child's Head of Year or form tutor
- Ruth Marsh, our Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Using the "Tell Us" function on our school website

STAR MAT Student Survey

We want to make Sherburn High School even better! And in order to do that, we need to hear what Team Sherburn thinks. Students have been sent a link to the Edurio survey, which is being completed by students in all STAR MAT schools. A huge thank you – over 75% of students have already completed it.

On Monday, Year 7 students will all access ICT rooms so that they have an opportunity in school to complete the survey.

The survey closes on March 31^a – don't miss out on the chance to have your say!

From Team Sherburn to Team England!

Did you know that a group of our students will be representing England as part of the Bethany Lauren dance squad in Lithuania in May? The squad will be competing in the LDF World Championships, but they need our help to fund their trip.

We are joining forces with the local council and many local businesses by supporting the fundraising efforts and as part of this on Friday 31st March staff and students are invited to attend school in non-uniform. Please, use the link on ParentPay to contribute and help get Team Sherburn to Lithuania.

And finally...

Congratulations to students in Years 11 and 13 who have received Health and Social and ICT examination results recently – your outcomes are outstanding and we couldn't be prouder of you! And good luck to our GCSE drama students who have their practical examination on Wednesday 29th March, as they say in the world of theatre "Break a leg!"

Have a lovely weekend,

Kind regards,

Miriam Oakley Headteacher