

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we were absolutely thrilled to welcome so many members of our wider community into our classrooms to see how we build belonging in our school. It was incredible to watch adults diving into our routines, joining in with backpacks, smiles, laughter, dancing —and yes, we even spotted a few press-ups happening too! Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to join us. Your energy and support mean so much, and we can't wait to host more events throughout the year to showcase the amazing things happening at our school.

Best Wishes. Mrs Davie Headteacher

School Community News

🎄 Elfridges is Coming 🎄

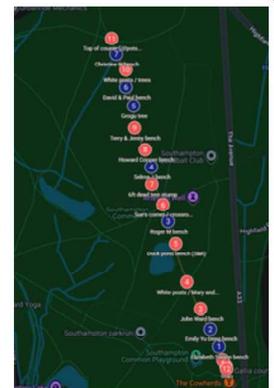
The PTFA are getting ready for one of the most exciting events of the season—Elfridges is just around the corner! Find further details about how you can support later in the newsletter.

School Community Messages

🏃 Shirley Junior School's First Parkrun! 🏃

We're thrilled to announce our very first Shirley Junior School parkrun! Join us at Southampton Common Junior Parkrun on Sunday, 7th December at 9:00 AM for a fantastic morning of fun and fitness. This special event will bring our pupils and families together for an unforgettable experience. We'll be running on the alternate course, starting near The Cowherds Pub and finishing at ///pots.myself.email (What3Words location).

We can't wait to see you there—let's make this a memorable day for our SJS community!



Upcoming Events

- 5th December - PTFA/FOSIS Christmas family disco
- 7th December - Park run Southampton Common
- 9th December - Minstead parent information evening 5:30
- 10th December - Kinkajou's swimming
- 11th December - Christmas jumper day/Christmas dinner
- 17th/18th December - Elfridges



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School Community Messages

PARENT SURVEY 2025 Parent Survey – We Value Your Voice!



HAVE YOUR SAY

SCAN ME



SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE PARENT SURVEY

HAMWIC EDUCATION TRUST

In line with Hamwic, our academy trust, we are launching our annual parent survey today. Please take a few moments to scan the code and complete the five quick questions we've prepared for this term. Your feedback is incredibly important to us—it is reviewed by the Leadership Team, alongside the Governing Body and Hamwic, to help us reflect on what we do well and identify areas where we can improve in order to support our pupils and community. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts. Your input truly makes a difference!

Chat Bites

This week ChatBites have continued to spark lively and thoughtful conversations in the dining hall!



To keep the conversation going, why not ask your child one of this week's ChatBite questions over dinner? It's a great way to hear their ideas, share your own, and enjoy some quality family time through thoughtful dialogue.

If you could design a magical winter hat, what powers would it give you?

Flying? Making snow appear? Talking to reindeer?

If you could invent a new winter sport, what would it be?

How would people play it? What makes it fun?

If you could create a new flavour of candy cane, what would it taste like?

Pizza? Bubblegum? Or something else?

Imagine you could invite any winter animal to a holiday party—who would you choose and why?

Penguin? Polar bear? Arctic fox?

Imagine you woke up and your school was made of gingerbread—what would you do first?

Would you eat the walls? Decorate the classrooms?

