



# Shirley Junior School Weekly Communications

**KINDNESS.**  
**RESPECT.**  
**INTEGRITY.**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**Headteacher Message:**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had so many application forms for pupil-led clubs that we have struggled to choose! Well done to those who are going to be running a club for the next four weeks and commiserations to those whose clubs did not get chosen - you can always try again after half term.

We have seen lots and lots of children coming to the leadership office for Headteacher awards for their learning this week because they are proud of their efforts - it's lovely to see so many of them working so hard!

**Whole School Dates:**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Parents Evening 3.30–6.00pm (face to face only)  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September–Parents Evening 3.30-6.00pm (online only)  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – PFTA AGM 7pm  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Bring a grownup to school day 8.40 – 9.30am  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Crazy Hair Day  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of Term  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – **INSET DAY**  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – **Back to School**  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – **INSET DAY**

**Messages:**

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September the children will be celebrating the Harvest Festival assembly. We welcome donations in support of the 'Basics Food Bank' to be brought in on the day. Please see the link for the most urgently needed items. [Get Involved: How To Donate – Southampton City Mission](#)

Parents Evening - We're looking forward to seeing you all at the parent evenings next week. These meetings are an opportunity for you to discuss how your child has settled in to their new class.

# Coming up in your year group...

## Year 3

## Year 4

## Year 5

25<sup>th</sup> September; 2<sup>nd</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> October – Fossa class swimming lessons

## Year 6

### SCC Secondary School Application Information Session

27<sup>th</sup> September – 9am in the school hall (please enter through the junior school gates and up the slope)

A representative from Southampton City Council will speak to parents and be available to answer any questions about how to apply for a secondary school place for your child. Applications for secondary school close at the end of October.

30<sup>th</sup> September - 4<sup>th</sup> October – Osmington Bay Residential

# Messages...

## PTFA AGM

**Thursday 3rd October from 7pm in school hall** the PTFA will hold their AGM where we nominate the committee for the year ahead, decide on the events we want to run this year and discuss how we have spent last years' funds. Everyone is welcome to attend, whether you would like to get involved or just come along to find out more.

## PTFA Quiz Night

**Friday 4th October 7.30pm-10.30pm** - come and join us for a fun quiz and curry night at Freemantle Community Centre. Tickets £12 per person (including curry) now on sale.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sjs-ptfa/index.cfm?event=shop>



# Messages...



You're invited to our upcoming workshop on...

## INTRODUCTION TO ANXIETY IN CHILDREN

The Mental Health in Schools Team are an NHS service who work in schools across Southampton.

Our workshops are informal, non-judgemental, spaces where you can find out more about the topic, take away some practical tips, and meet other parents/carers in similar situations.

All children experience anxiety but for some children this can start to impact their wellbeing.

It can be difficult for parents/care givers to know how best to support children to overcome challenges.

This workshop is for parents and caregivers to understand more about what anxiety is and learn some tools which help with managing anxiety.



Monday 23rd September, 9-10am.  
Shirley Infant and Junior School.

Please email Karen Allen so that we have a rough idea of numbers. [karen.allen@shirleyschools.co.uk](mailto:karen.allen@shirleyschools.co.uk)



Meet the facilitator - Nikki

Hi, I am excited to meet you at the workshop.



## Strengthening Families



A **FREE** course for families  
Online via ZOOM

Mums, dads and carers participate together with one of their children who must be aged 10-14 years  
Get some helpful tips to strengthen your relationship with your child!



Explore subjects together such as:

- Setting loving limits
- Making house rules
- Encouraging positive behaviour
- Using consequences
- Building bridges
- Communicating when you don't agree

Course materials and snacks will be sent to your home!

An 8 week course starting on 2nd October 2024

Wednesdays 6.30 – 8.30pm on Zoom

2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd Oct. and 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th Nov. 2024

Book a place on the course by emailing us on [info@sfrust.org.uk](mailto:info@sfrust.org.uk)



## Join the Toot! Ensemble for a fun concert for 7 to 11-year-olds and their families.

Experience the charm of the wind quintet as they bring you a performance filled with warmth, excitement, and magic. Be mesmerised by Paquito D'Rivera's *Aires Tropicales*. Be calmed by Handel's Sonata for Oboe. Let Valerie Coleman's *Red Clay* and *Mississippi Delta* transport you into the blues of the deep south. Feel the vibrant energy of György Ligeti's *Bagatelles*, and let Judith Weir's *Mountain Airs* carry you to the majestic Scottish Highlands.

If you would like to book tickets, please follow the link:- [Toot!](https://turnersims.co.uk)  
[\(turnersims.co.uk\)](https://turnersims.co.uk)



# Messages...

EVERY  
CHANCE  
Opportunities  
Inclusive  
Accept

EVERY  
DAY  
Understanding  
Consistent  
Ambitious



Southampton  
Hospitals  
Charity  
Charity Registration Number: 1051202

**Charity Symphony Orchestra**  
Supporting the Priority Fund  
at Princess Anne Hospital

Craig Lawton, Conductor

SPITFIRE PRELUDE AND FUGUE

WALTON

FIVE VARIANTS ON DIVES AND LAZARUS

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

## THE PLANETS HOLST

**Saturday 21st September 2024, 7.30pm**

**The Abbey, Romsey SO51 8EP**

Reserved £18, £10 (under 18), Unreserved £9  
[www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey)



CHARITY  
SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA

### Polite Reminder

If you bring your child to school by car, please observe the parking and school street restrictions in the local area, and drive with consideration for other road users and pedestrians.

Thank you for prioritising the safety of our pupils.

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