

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at SJS, the festive spirit has truly arrived! Our classes have been busy building connections through Christmas Connection Calendars and rehearsing for the exciting Poetry Battle Final on Monday. We also gathered in the hall, beautifully decorated with a sparkling Christmas tree, to enjoy a delicious Christmas Dinner filled with laughter, singing, and cracker-pulling fun. A huge thank you to our incredible PTFA volunteers whose hard work made this celebration extra special for all our pupils. What a wonderful way to start the season of joy and togetherness!

Best Wishes, Mrs Davie

Headteacher



School Community News

Shirley Juniors Parkrun

A huge thank you to all our amazing pupils, their families, and teachers who braved the early rainy Sunday morning last week for our very first Parkrun! It was fantastic to see you coming together for this event, and we're excited to welcome even more of our community to future runs throughout the year.

School Community Messages

Elfridges Christmas Shop

Every Christmas, with your support, the PTFA opens the magical 'Elfridges' shop for all our children. Each child will have the chance to choose two gifts for family or friends, wrap them, and bring them home to pop under the tree. This year, Elfridges will run on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th December during the school day. There is a suggested voluntary donation of £3 per child to help cover costs, but every child will be included regardless. Thank you for helping us keep this wonderful tradition alive!



Upcoming Events

17th/18th December - Elfridges

18th December - Kinkajou swimming

19th December - Christmas performance (Christingle) - St James Church- Morning performance - 10am/ Afternoon performance - 1:40pm



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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.

IMAGINE YOU COULD SPEND ONE DAY INSIDE A SNOW GLOBE—WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

WOULD YOU PLAY IN THE SNOW, DECORATE TINY HOUSES, OR SOMETHING ELSE?

IF YOU COULD CREATE A MAGICAL HOT CHOCOLATE FLAVOUR, WHAT WOULD IT TASTE LIKE?

WOULD IT SPARKLE? CHANGE COLOURS? GIVE YOU POWERS?

IMAGINE YOU WOKE UP AND YOUR SCHOOL WAS MADE OF GINGERBREAD—WHAT WOULD YOU DO FIRST?

WOULD YOU EAT THE WALLS? DECORATE THE CLASSROOMS?

CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

QUESTION: WHAT FOOD WOULD YOU SERVE AT A PERFECT CHRISTMAS DINNER?

GAME: LET'S PLAY CHARADES WITH CHRISTMAS MOVIES!

RIDDLE: WHAT BITES BUT HAS NO TEETH?

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IF YOU COULD TURN ANY EVERYDAY OBJECT INTO A CHRISTMAS DECORATION, WHAT WOULD YOU CHOOSE?

A SKATEBOARD? A BACKPACK? HOW WOULD YOU DECORATE IT?

