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Dear Parent/Carer and wider members of our Shirley community,
Next half term the children at Shirley Junior School will be developing their personal skill:

To aspire

Each week of Spring 2, the children will be exploring what it means to 'dream big', learn from inspirational figures and reflect on their own aspirations and steps to be successful in achieving them.

As a part of this we would like to hold a 'careers fair' where children can explore the jobs of people in our community. We know that there is a wealth of skills and expertise in such a vast range of careers and we would like our children to have the chance to ask questions, see demonstrations, see equipment or just be able to hear about what could be available to them in the future.

Are you (or someone you know!) able to give us some of your time on **Friday 1st April** from **1pm - 3pm**? All professions and roles are welcome and encouraged – we truly want our children to experience the wider world of work and open their eyes to the many, many opportunities that there are.

If you, your company or someone you know would be willing to give up time, and are available to be a part of widening the children's understanding of careers, please let the office know with any requirements you may need (office@shirleyschools.co.uk FAO Mrs Booth -Careers Fair).

Being able to see equipment, try on, watch demonstrations or simply just having the opportunity to speak to real life people truly inspired our children in 2019 and that was down to our amazing support of our fabulous community. So we really do need you!

We really look forward to hearing and having your support in this,

Anne Booth

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Complementing our aspiration focus we will be developing children's understanding of science, technology, engineering and mathematics this half term (STEM)

Shirley Junior Science Week 2020 – w.b. 9th March

British Science Week 2022's theme is Growth.



We are so excited to explore this wonderful theme in our school.

This year, Shirley Juniors are going to be focussing on their **Working Scientifically skills** to work out which vegetables will be best suited to grow in our new school allotment.

Each year group will be given a different vegetable seedling and, through a week of very careful investigation, will prove what conditions it needs to thrive. Once we have our evidence, the seedlings will be donated to our allotment team to grow on in our school grounds.



This investigation will provide opportunities for our children to develop their scientific skills in prediction, planning an investigation, using their results to make conclusions and evaluating how fair their test was. We are very excited to let you know our learning from across the school after Science Week on the school website.

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