



Shirley Schools



Weekly Communication

To contact any member of staff, please email
office@shirleyschools.co.uk
marked for the attention of the member of staff and your email
will be forwarded.

Friday 22nd July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached to the school website the following letters;

- Scavenger Hunt Pack
- New Caterers Dolce - Parent Information
- Infant Newsletter
- Junior Newsletter
- Infants After School Clubs - Team Spirit
- Junior After School Clubs - Team Spirit
- Infants Diary Dates
- Junior Diary Dates
- Juniors Year 6 Little Canada Info Letter



We finally made to the end of the school year.
Hope you all have an amazing summer holiday.

Please find the links to the letter pages on our websites:

<https://www.shirleyinfantschool.org.uk/parents/letters/letters-summer-2-2022>

<https://www.shirleyjuniorschool.org/page/?title=Letters%3A+Summer+2&pid=82>

Dates for your Diary

Shirley Infant School

Shirley Junior School

JULY

Friday 22nd School closes at 3.10pm for Summer Holidays

JULY

Friday 22nd School closes at 3.20pm for Summer Holidays

SEPT

Thursday 1st **INSET DAY—Schools closed to Pupils**

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Friday 2nd School re-opens at 8.45am for Autumn 1

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Monday 5th Year R Green Group start school - 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Tuesday 6th Year R Purple Group start school - 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Wednesday 7th Year R Green Group morning only 8.40am - 12pm
 Thursday 8th Year R Purple Group 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Friday 9th Year R Green Group 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Friday 9th Karate After School Club starts
 Monday 12th Team Spirit After School Clubs start
 Monday 12th Year R Purple Group 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Tuesday 13th Year R Green Group 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Tuesday 13th Year R Curriculum Evening 6pm - 7.30pm
 Wednesday 14th Year R Purple Group morning only 8.40am - 12pm
 Thursday 15th Year R Green Group 8.40am till 3.10pm
 Friday 16th Year R Purple Group 8.40am till 3.10pm

Thursday 8th Year 6 Little Canada meeting 6pm - Hall
 Monday 12th YR 3 Healthy Me hook day
 Monday 12th All Stars Dance After School Club Starts
 Monday 12th Team Spirit After School Clubs start
 Wednesday 14th Year 5 Planetarium Visit - on site
 Thursday 15th Year 4 Butser Trip - off site
 Monday 26th Year 6 Little Canada Residential - 1 week

Coming soon

News on Scooter / Bike Shed

Dear Parents/Carers,

From September the school will have new caterers preparing your child's school dinners - Dolce.

We will still have the same lovely staff working in our schools and Dolce are working to ensure a smooth transition.

As part of this change, Dolce has a new system for you to book school dinners for your child/ren, called SchoolGrid. While this does mean that you will need to sign up online to enable this to happen, the new system has many advantages. This system will allow you to choose and pay for meals up to one term in advance with the peace of mind that a meal has been booked. Another advantage is if your child has one of the 14 main allergies, you will only be able to select foods that do not contain those ingredients. All meals will have the ingredients listed on SchoolGrid for parents to view.

Please find information from Dolce on school website, please read it carefully and return the slip to the school office. A paper copy will also be sent home with your child in case you do not have printing facilities. School Grid will email sign up and login details to you so that you may start using the system and paying online. The school will no longer be involved in collecting dinner money as this is now being taken over by Dolce. They have a customer service desk customercare@dolce.co.uk or telephone 01942 707709 who will be able to answer any of your questions or concerns.

Please read the information carefully as it is important to you and your child/ren going forward.



MCAS New Log ins - Year 2 going to Year 3

Please be aware that when your child starts school in the Juniors in September that you will need a new school id number and invitation code to use.

Your account details previously from the Infant school will not work.

We will inform you of your new details as close to the first 2 weeks of the new academic year.

Shirley Infants & Juniors

As the weather is now beginning to warm up, please can we remind you to ensure children are dressed appropriately;

- Please provide your child with a named sun hat
- Please apply sun cream before children come to school
- Sun cream can be brought into school, **but children must be able to apply it themselves**
- Please ensure jumpers are **named**, as children do like to take them off when it's hot
- Children should continue to wear sensible school shoes
- Please make sure children have a full water bottle for the day
- Please provide a light weight coat for Year R's particularly as the weather can change and we are still outside a lot!



Shirley Infants & Juniors Lost property

Can you all please come and check lost property, we have collected lots of un-named items.



This will be donated to charity by the end of Friday 22nd July.

The School day and Attendance Matters - Shirley Schools

At Shirley Infant and Junior schools we are VERY proud that we continue to be 2 of the highest attended schools in Southampton. We would like to thank all of our parents for supporting us in maintaining this, this year.

From 2nd September 2022 Shirley Infant school will start at 8:40. The gates will remain open until 8:50, by which time all children must be in school.

Shirley Junior school will continue to start at 8:45 with all children to be in school by 8:55, this has stayed the same as it meets the government criteria and guidance.

The changes to the Infant school times are to ensure that we meet the government's new rules that all children are in school for 32.5 hours per week. To ensure that we meet this we will be increasing the school day by 5 minutes.

Please can we remind you we are not able to authorise leave of absence for holidays and we ask that you absolutely do your best to minimise any future missing days of school please. Please can we also remind you of the following;

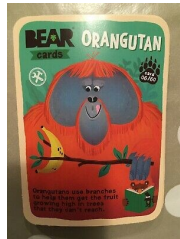
- The Infant School doors open at 8:40am and close at 8:50am, the Junior School doors open at 8:45am and close at 8:55am. This means that the children can settle in class and then be ready to begin their lessons.
- After 8:55am, children are late and MUST always be signed in at the school office to ensure their safety. If you know your are going to be late please contact the school office by 9:20am.
- We expect ALL appointments, with the exception of hospital appointments, to be made outside of normal school hours.
- For appointments from 9:30am onwards, we expect all pupils to attend the school for registration and then be collected and returned within an appropriate time frame. If you are unsure about this, please speak to the school office.

Thank you for your ongoing support with your child's school attendance. It means so much to us and your child/children.

Shirley Infants

As per the parent forum request, we will no longer run the Pokemon and Yoyo card swaps on a Friday. This will stop as of September.

So the last swap day is 22nd July 2022.



Junior School Uniform Reminder for September

Boys PE Uniform

- Green schools sports hoodie/school jumper
- House T-shirt/white polo/PE shirt
- Black joggers/shorts (no logos/patterns)
- Trainers (preferably black)



Girls PE Uniform

- Green schools sports hoodie/school jumper
- House T-shirt/white polo/PE shirt
- Summer dress (**in this case a PE kit needs to be in school that they can change into for PE**)
- Black joggers/leggings/shorts/skorts /PE skirt (no logos/patterns)
- Trainers (preferably black)

Shirley Infant & Junior parents, we need your help!

Children and Young People's Child Friendly survey

Thank you so much to everyone who has helped promote or engage children and young people in our survey so far. The survey is still open until 31 July so there is still time for us to hear many more voices!

How can you help?

- Encourage children and young people to take part in the survey
- Support children and young people to complete the survey
- Promote the survey on your social media, newsletters or in your venues.

You can access the main survey [HERE!](#)

Safeguarding



Wishing you a wonderful Summer break!

**CLEVER GIVES CHILDREN THE SKILLS AND TOOL TO ENJOY
THEIR FREEDOM ON THE BEACH ON HOLIDAY SAFELY!**



**Clever Never Goes will continue to keep
children safe this Summer.**

Throughout the summer holidays, we will be continuing to update our social media and teaching materials on how to stay safe outside of the classroom.

Make sure to follow us on our social media platforms to instantly see new content and news!

Support for parents and carers with #CEOPSummerSafety this summer break

Over the summer we will be covering a different online safety topic each week on our social media channels, helping parents and carers to **learn** more, **talk** to their children and take **action** together. Posts will support parents and carers with articles, activity sheets and videos on the following topics:

- Cyber security
- Social media
- Gaming
- Live streaming
- Sharing images online
- Watching videos online

You can follow CEOP's social media channels for further information:

Twitter: [@CEOPUK](#) **Facebook:** [Click CEOP](#) and follow the #CEOPSummerSafety to stay informed.

FOSIS/PTFA



YEAR R INTAKE FOR 2022/23



Do you have a little one who will be joining Shirley Infants Year R in September this year? Or know someone that does? Please help us spread the word and share the link to our private Facebook group to help us support parents and carers:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1150736922357432>

DON'T FORGET ...



Does your company offer match funding?

Many companies will offer to match or add to money raised when you volunteer at PTFA/FOSIS events – this can really boost the amount of money we raise. If your company does this, then please let us know and we can make the arrangements and raise more funds for our schools.



Our school lottery raises money directly for the **Junior School**. Every week there is a guaranteed cash prize for someone from the school. This prize money goes up the more tickets we sell. You are also automatically entered into the national draw where you could win £25,000! The tickets cost just £1 each week.

Sign up here: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/shirley-junior-school>



If you are **shopping online**, please click on these links first. They then donate to the school at **NO EXTRA COST TO YOU**. Amazon = <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/>

Infants – choose Friends of Shirley Infant School

Juniors - choose Shirley Junior School PTA

Online shopping from bread to bathrooms, use Easyfundraising, sign up here:

[Infants – Friends of Shirley Infants – Southampton](#)

[Juniors – Shirley Junior School PTFA – Southampton](#)

STAY CONNECTED AND GET INVOLVED...

On Facebook through the private year groups – please remember that these groups are managed by parents and not run by the school:

Infants

Year 2 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/172919936937823>

Year 1 Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/849370902208557>

Year R Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/774368666506974>

Juniors

Parents of Year 6 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1601794303401012>

Parents of Year 5 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1716707195249069>

Parents of Year 4 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/649407131910961>

Parents of Year 3 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137311320449399>

Through your class reps (see list below) and WhatsApp groups:

Infants

Woodpeckers - Gayle Doulton and Jo James

Badgers - Tracey Ward and Natalie Formstone

Foxes - Katy Durston and Colette Thorp

Owls - Lisa Witt and Lisa Longhurst

Rabbits - Gemma Gore and Kerrie Read

Moles - Maria Dimech and Tabytha Greenhalgh

Hedgehogs - Sarah Willcocks and Gill McCann

Squirrels - Sarah Scott and Hilary Rebecca

Otters – Zoe Konn and Sarah Whicher

Juniors

A complete list of class reps for Juniors can be [found here](#)

Community Information

PARENTING *Children with Additional Needs*

(aged
3 to 11
yrs old)

FREE!

Online course for parents/carers of children with ADHD

Four sessions designed to:

- understand more about ADHD
- channel your child's energy
- improve their self-esteem
- boost your parent/child relationship
- use effective discipline

Via ZOOM

Starting on Tue 20/09/2022, 9.30-11.30am
for 4 weekly sessions

BOOK BY EMAILING US AT:

info@sftrust.org.uk



**Southampton
Family Trust**
building relationships



PARENTING *Children with Additional Needs*



FREE!

Online course for parents/carers of children with ASD

Four sessions designed to:

- understand more about ASD
- work with your child's unique personalities and abilities
- help your child with issues of communication, imagination and social interaction
- advice on how to handle special interests or repetitive behaviour
- give guidance on oppositional behaviour using practical strategies

Via ZOOM

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Summer Break Family Activities 2022

Shirley Library, Shirley Precinct, Shirley High Street, Southampton, SO15 5LL

Opening times

Monday: 10am to 7pm
Tuesday: 10am to 7pm
Wednesday: 10am to 7pm
Thursday: 10am to 4pm
Friday: 10am to 5pm
Saturday: 10am to 4pm
Sunday: closed

Lordshill Library, Lordshill Centre, Southampton, SO16 8HY

Opening times

Monday: closed
Tuesday: 10am to 7pm
Wednesday: 10am to 5pm
Thursday: 10am to 7pm
Friday: 10am to 4pm
Saturday: 10am to 4pm
Sunday: closed

Spanish Rhyme Time at Shirley Library

26th July, 2nd August. 11:00am -12:00pm

Our popular rhyme time activity but in Spanish! Rhyme time is a fun and interactive singing activity designed for under 5s. The session is free but booking in advance is essential.

Free but booking required. Contact [Iraya Mommer](mailto:toucan01@yahoo.com) via email at toucan01@yahoo.com to book.

Story Time at Shirley Library

27th July. 10:30am - 11:00am

Story time is a fun and interactive storytelling activity designed for under 5s.

The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Rhyme Time at Shirley Library

3rd Aug. 10:30am -11:00am

Rhyme time is a fun and interactive singing activity designed for under 5s. The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Sticking Together craft morning at Lordshill Library

23rd July, 30th July. 10:30am - 12:00pm

"Sticking Together" craft mornings are suitable for children aged 3-11. The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Story Time at Lordshill Library

26th July. 11:00am - 11:30am

Story time is a fun and interactive storytelling activity designed for under 5s. The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!

Summer Break Family Activities 2022

Find your fabulous with Vie Portland at Lordshill Library

26th July, 2pm -3pm

A fun session, for children and their parents or guardians, aimed at exploring self-confidence, kindness and promoting happiness. Open to children of all ages and completely free with no need to book. Wear your comfy clothes, you might need to wriggle and jiggle! Free, no booking required.

Rhyme Time at Lordshill Library

2nd Aug, 11am -11:30am

Rhyme time is a fun and interactive singing activity designed for under 5s. The session is free and there is no need to book - just turn up!



We're so excited to reveal the theme for the Summer Reading Challenge 2022!

Get ready for **Gadeteers**, arriving online and in your **local library** this summer.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Science is all around you! What do you love doing? Are you a brilliant baker? Or a mega music fan? Are you the tech wizard amongst your friends? Join the **Gadeteers** for the Summer Reading Challenge to **discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around you**, including some of your favourite things!

Curious? Perfect! Your imagination can unlock endless possibilities... We're teaming up with **Science Museum Group** for a very special science-themed Challenge that will inspire you to use your imagination and creativity!

Gadeteers will feature amazing books, awesome rewards, and plenty of ideas for cool experiments and activities to discover the science all around you. The Challenge will be brought to life by top children's writer and illustrator Julian Beresford.

Are you excited to join the **#Gadeteers** this summer? Keep an eye on our **blog** for all the latest Summer Reading Challenge news.



Summer Camp is back for 2022!

We are excited to announce that our Summer Camp support pack is returning again this year so that we can continue offering advice and support to parents and carers over the six-week break.

By signing up you will be given access to a huge library of resources including videos, podcasts and downloads. We will also email you fun activity sheets for your child to enjoy over the holidays.

Here's what topics you can expect to be covered -

- Top tips for going on holiday
- Managing sibling relationships
- Sleep support
- Helping a child in crisis
- Managing anxiety
- Changing routines
- Activities for building social and motor skills
- Creating fun adventures without the price tag
- Activities for primary/secondary aged pupils
- Managing anxiety around exam results



Everyone who signs up will be emailed a link so that you can easily access the support materials at the click of a button.

We hope you can join us for what's sure to be a great summer!

It would be wonderful if you were able to help us spread the word about Summer Camp with your friends, family and colleagues so please let us know if you would like a digital flyer to make it easier for you to share. Contact us at webinars@witherslackgroup.co.uk for more information.

Register here: - shorturl.at/brW28

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The Special Educational Needs Podcast

Let's celebrate
neurodiversity

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The Role of Friendship and Autism podcast!

Making friends or developing a social circle can present it's challenges for autistic children and young people and so in our latest podcast we explore strategies around developing social environments that fit with individual interests and enjoyment.

Sign up here:- shorturl.at/fHSVW

Kids' summer activities

Summer activities start next week and they are booking up! So don't miss out on some great family time or getting sometime to yourself. We have five weeks of amazing fun family activities to keep everyone entertained.

View all activities on our [What's On flyer](#), or view and book them through wegottickets.com/SouthamptonCulture.

Here's what's still available for the **Week 1**:

Wed 27 July

Play with Paper: Sketching from nature (5yrs+) | City Art Gallery | 12.30pm or 2.30pm | £7.50 per participant - [Find out more](#)

Illuminated Letters (all ages) | Tudor House | 10.30am, 12pm or 1.30 pm | £6 per child - [Find out more](#)

Walk the walls Family Tour | from Tudor House | 11am | £24 family or £6 individual ticket - [Find out more](#)

Thurs 28 July

- **Half-day Culture Club for Kids - PRE-HISTORY** | SeaCity Museum | 10am | £20 per participant - [Find out more](#)

Magic Fairy Doors (all ages) | Tudor House | 10.30am, 12pm or 1.30 pm | £5 per child - [Find out more](#)

Fri 29 July

Exhibit your Art! - Workshops (7yrs+) | City Art Gallery | 10am or 1pm | **FREE** - [Find out more](#)

- **Football fever workshop (all ages)** | SeaCity Museum | 10am | **FREE** - [Find out more](#)

Don't forget your Culture Club for Families loyalty card

Booking children and family activities and workshops over the summer? If you buy six, you can get a seventh **free** with our Culture Club for Families scheme.

Just pick up your loyalty card from the front desk at one of our venues:

- SeaCity Museum
- Tudor House and Garden
- Southampton City Art Gallery

Get your loyalty card stamped each time you attend a paid workshop, and once you have collected 6 stamps, you can redeem your free activity. [See T&Cs here](#).

Tudor House and Garden Summer Fete | Saturday 30 July 2022 | 10am – 5pm

Join us to celebrate 110 years since Tudor House opened as a museum with fun activities in the garden and around the museum.

Entry £2.50 per person (including children 5 and over. Under 5s are free), the equivalent of 6p when it first opened.

We highly recommend you [book tickets in advance](#), to guarantee entry. Please also note that pre-booking is required for the Old Town Tours and the Wand Making Workshops.

BBQ in the garden 12-2pm, please pay in the cafe.

- Old Town Tours - [pre-book here](#)
- Wand Making Workshops - [pre-book here](#)
- Spot the Fairy Trail
- Face-painting*
- Archery*

(*small charges apply on the day).

Tudor House is closed Saturday 23 July

Unfortunately we have to close Tudor House & Garden this Saturday, **23 July**, due to staff shortages from COVID-19 but we will be open on Sunday as usual.

This is our last resort but we are keeping our other two amazing venues, SeaCity Museum and our FREE to enter Southampton City Art Gallery open from 10am to 5pm this Saturday.