



# Shirley Junior School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Every year, Y6 are extremely lucky to have support from parents in the summer term, organising, planning and coordinating our leaver's events. This year is no different; please see a message from our recently formed *SJS Leavers Planning Group*:

As we head into the final 1.5 terms of our children's time at SJS we are looking to support the school and run some events that will give them the perfect send off and memory from their SJS journey!

We know how busy life is for everyone so wanted to share some plans to give you the heads up on what's happening and some potential costs/donations, and hopefully, to recruit some extra volunteers to help with the events!

- Leaver's hoodies: comfortable jumper that includes the name of every child (who wishes to be included). You will be able to order this directly from an online shop and the cost will depend on how many orders are made - the cost may range from £25-30 depending on how many are ordered and are optional.
- Yearbook: a beautiful keepsake that is full of group/individual pictures and anecdotes from through the years. We would love to be able to provide all children with one of these and the cost/suggested donation to enable this is £15 per child.
- SATs breakfast and treats: every morning of this week and the Friday prior, breakfast will be provided in the school hall for all year 6 children from 8am; it brings much appreciated fun and sense of togetherness. Cost/suggested donation £3 per child.
- Leavers festival: a big hit celebration event for all of the year 6's in their final week, lots of fun, food, dancing, singing, mocktails, games, crafts - Cost/suggested donation £5 per child
- Leavers show - this is a production that the school coordinates but asks for help with set and logistics. There may be a request for a donation to put towards the cost of materials and also help with making/creating costumes!

With the current cost of living crisis, we do not want to further burden families, however, we do not have any funding for these events/activities so they will rely 100% on donations. If you can contribute, it would be much appreciated. We'll be back in touch with how you can do this later in the term.

Finally, if you can help with the planning of any of the above, please pop a post on the year 6 Facebook page and we can add you to the relevant messenger group to get involved!

If you **do not** wish for your child's name to be included on the leaver's hoodie, or appear in the Yearbook, please email the school office by Friday 31st March.

Many thanks

SJS Leavers Planning Group

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