



# Shirley Juniors

## Weekly Communication

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

### KEEPING US INFORMED

Please could we ask all parents to inform the school if anyone in the household is going for a coronavirus test or is self-isolating as another family member in the household has tested positive.

Please remember to be considerate of others when lining up in the queue and to wear a mask where possible unless you have a medical condition which exempts you.



### Dates for your Diary

#### APRIL

**Monday 5th**

**Easter Holidays**

Monday 19th

School reopens for Summer 1

Tuesday 20th

Parents Evening

Thursday 22nd

Parent Evening

## **LOST PROPERTY**

Due to the current situation we are unable to have Lost Property at school, so can you please make sure you label all your child's belongings



## **PARENTS EVENING**

This year parents evening will take place virtually on Tuesday 20th and Thursday 22nd April.

Bookings open for appointments at 10am on Monday 29th March online. These meetings are a fixed 10 minutes after which teacher and parent will be disconnected. Bookings will close on 16th April.

You should be able to connect to these using any device with a up to date browser, camera and microphone that work.

Full instruction are attached to the school website.

**Don't forget to look at our Community Information page also in the letters section for what's happening in Southampton on our website.**

<http://www.shirleyinfantschool.org.uk/page/default.asp?pid=82>

# Community News

## EASTER OFFER



A virtual offer over the Easter holidays. This will be available as of the 12<sup>th</sup> of April, but parents can pre-register as of now.

## Emergency SOS calls and location pins

In current times it may be helpful to use the attached resource for educating students on how to make emergency SOS calls – the linked guide is for iPhones – as well as advice on preparing for an emergency on Google and Samsung devices also: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/sos-call>

There are also little-known location links such as the paperclip in WhatsApp – which if a message is opened and you press and hold the paperclip – you can send live location to people of your choosing for example if walking home.

Given the media reporting of the death of Sarah Everard it may be a useful discussion and opportunity to discuss personal safety with students as part of a relevant event and to develop understanding of the pros and pitfalls of location settings.

## 3 City & Guilds courses to join for free today:

Exciting opportunities await! Introducing three free courses from City & Guilds, designed to help you step into growing industries – and **earn some seriously CV-boosting digital credentials** along the way. This opportunity is **FREE until 31st May** so now's the time to join.

[https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/collections/step-into-new-opportunities?  
utm\\_campaign=fl\\_bau&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=marketing&utm\\_term=210329\\_GNL\\_\\_UK&utm\\_content=main\\_CTA](https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/collections/step-into-new-opportunities?utm_campaign=fl_bau&utm_medium=email&utm_source=marketing&utm_term=210329_GNL__UK&utm_content=main_CTA)

# PTFA

## **Bags2school**

Thank you so much to everyone who donated items for this, we made over £200 for both schools..

## **School Lottery**

If you haven't already, why not come and try your luck in our school lottery. Weekly prize money currently standing at £20.80, and the more people that play the more you could win! There's also big prizes to be won nationwide – a big bike voucher this week! Only £1 a ticket, and this year more than ever this funding is vital for us to continue to support the school. Sign up here:

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

## **Join the new committee!**

At the end of this Academic the co-chairs, treasurer and secretary will be stepping down. We would love to talk to anyone interested in taking over these roles, so that the PTFA can continue to thrive! Please contact us via facebook or on [ptfa@shirleyschools.co.uk](mailto:ptfa@shirleyschools.co.uk) if you'd like to talk it through with us. We have all thoroughly enjoyed the years that we have done this.