



# Shirley Schools



## 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.**

**Friday 15th July 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached to the school website the following letters;

- Scavenger Hunt Pack
- New Caterers Dolce - Parent Information
- Shirley Infants Parent Forum minutes

**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

Thursday 21st Year R Party Come outside Day  
9.15am – 2.45pm  
Thursday 21st Year 1 Bug Ball Party 1pm– 2.45pm  
Thursday 21st Year 2 End of term party 4-6pm  
Friday 22nd No hot dinners, only sandwiches to  
be provided  
Friday 22nd School closes at 3.10pm for  
Summer Holidays

#### JULY

Monday 18th Water Activity Day  
Tuesday 19th Year 6 Evening Performances 6.30pm  
Wednesday 20th House Competition Day (Taskmaster)  
Wednesday 20th Year 6 Evening Performances 6.30pm  
Friday 22nd Year 6 Farewell Festival  
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Holidays

#### SEPT

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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](mailto: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 Infant & Junior School Lunches

Due to circumstances beyond our control we can only offer cheese or ham packed lunch on Friday 22nd July.

There will be no other options available on this day.



Juniors will be having a picnic on this day, so you can order a packed lunch or bring your own packed lunch.

## 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.

## Shirley Infants and Juniors Library Books

Could we please ask that all library books are returned to the school library before the end of term. Many thanks



## Shirley Infants and Juniors MCAS accounts

Please be aware that we are unable to take any further cash or cheque payments in the school office after Monday 18th July 2022.

Please ensure that all accounts are settled prior to this date.

## **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 Schools Year 2 & 6 ONLY**

The children from Shirley Infants are able to sign each other's school t-shirts on Friday 22nd July.

The children from Shirley Junior are able to sign each others school t-shirts on Thursday 21st July.

If you wish for your child to partake in this, please provide them a separate clean school t-shirt / shirt and a suitable pen. Thank you



## 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.



# 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

## OUT WITH STRANGER DANGER IN WITH CLEVER NEVER GOES



### TEACH THE CLEVER OPTION AT HOME

**CLEVER NEVER GOES is the new, child-friendly lesson that teaches children how to stay safe from abduction when they are outside (e.g. walking to or from school), or online.**

It's been created to help parents/guardians talk to their children about staying safe in a simple way.

Instead of creating a fear of people it teaches them to recognise the danger in a situation, regardless of who's involved.

### THE RULE:

**If anyone asks you to go - even someone that you know - if it hasn't been agreed, remember: CLEVER NEVER GOES**



The **CLEVER NEVER GOES** rule means children shouldn't go anywhere with anyone - even if they know them - if it hasn't been agreed in advance by a parent or guardian.

And please remember, children learn through repetition so make sure you remind them regularly of **CLEVER NEVER GOES** when they're going outside or online.

For more information, ideas and resources to have that clever conversation go to: [clevernevergoes.org](http://clevernevergoes.org)

### WHY CHANGE?

Since it was introduced in the 1970's, the 'stranger danger' message has been fundamentally flawed.

Most strangers will help rather than harm a child, and many people that do pose a risk to children are not strangers.

Furthermore, it demands that all strangers should be treated with suspicion, which breeds fear in our communities. This has led to children spending less time outdoors, fuelling a rise in obesity and mental health problems.

Add to this, children are spending more time online, increasing their risk of being groomed. Now is the time for a new approach that creates safer, happier and healthier children.

Backed by more than 1,000 schools across the UK, **CLEVER NEVER GOES** is more practical than stranger danger and gives children the skills and confidence to safely explore their outdoor and online worlds without fear. And gives parents the reassurance to let them.

# clever never goes



# FOSIS/PTFA

## JUNIOR CAKE SALE TODAY (15 JULY)!!



Cake cakes and more cakes! Bring your pennies to buy lots of fabulous cakes and raise money for our junior school after school today (Friday 15 July) – 50p a cake.

Please bring your own containers to take cakes home. Thank you!

## 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 ...



**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

## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2022



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### **ASDA CAFE**

Kids eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend from 25th July - 4th Sept 2022

### **FUTURE INNS**

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal during the school holidays

### **TABLE TABLE**

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### **YO! SUSHI**

Kid's eat free from 3pm-5.30pm, Monday to Thursday until 1st September 2022

### **THE REAL GREEK**

Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

### **SIZZLING PUBS**

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

### **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### **PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**

From June 27th kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend

### **MARKS & SPENCER CAFE**

Likely But Not Yet Announced

### **WHITBREAD INNS**

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

### **MORRISONS**

Spend £4.99 after 3pm daily & get one free kids meal (usually all day during half term)

### **HUNGRY HORSE**

Kids eat breakfast free with every adult breakfast, daily from 9am - 12pm.

### **BELLA ITALIA**

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Monday to Thursday

### **CAFE ROUGE**

Kids eat for £1 when you order one adult's main meal. Excludes Saturdays

### **SA BRAINS PUBS**

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Only valid Wednesdays but on all day

### **ANGUS STEAKHOUSE**

One free children's meal per paid adult meal 12-5pm daily throughout the holidays

### **PRETO**

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto

### **FARMHOUSE INNS**

Likely But Not Yet Announced

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# SOUTHAMPTON WOMEN'S FC'S

## FAMILY FUN DAY

*Activities for all  
of the family!*

- Foot golf
- Sponge a coach
- Penalty shoot-out
- Skill School
- Assault course
- And LOADS MORE!



**COME ON DOWN TO REDBRIDGE  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL ON SATURDAY  
JULY 30TH, OPEN 10AM - 3PM**



### ENTRY PRICES

Adults <b>£2</b>	Kids <b>£1</b>
under-5s <b>FREE</b>	



## Have you tried our new walk routes?

Earlier this year, we launched three new walk routes on the Go Jauntly app to give outdoor lovers some new inspiration. There's a walk dedicated to foodies, another for those of us who enjoy public art, and a third one perfect for treasure-hunting children.

Simply download the [free Go Jauntly app](#) and browse your area for ideas.

## Refill on the go

Have you heard of the [Refill](#) campaign? Download the app that shows you where across the country you can refill your water bottle on the go.

Some participating businesses also reward coffee drinkers for bringing their own cup, and you can also find places that offer plastic-free shopping. Download the app on the App Store or Google Play.

## COVID travel

Don't let COVID-19 stop you making memories this year. Get your vaccinations up to date now and keep your travel options open.

Many places require proof that you've been vaccinated against COVID-19 before you enter the country and entry rules can change at short notice. Being fully vaccinated will give you the best chance of being able to visit the people and places you want to see.

How to get your jab:

Book your [jab online at NHS.UK](#)

Find a convenient [walk-in clinic](#) – no appointment needed for this option and you don't need to be registered with a GP

- Ring 119

Visit [COVID-19: Travelling abroad \(southampton.gov.uk\)](#) for more travel guidance and links to trusted resources.



## Gadgeteers - Summer Reading Challenge 2022

This year it's all about being inventive! We're inviting you to explore the world of the Gadgeteers - by joining the [Summer Reading Challenge 2022](#)!

Developed in partnership with The Science Museum Group, it is a science-filled challenge that will inspire children to see the science and innovation behind everyday objects, showing that reading and science are for everyone.

### Everything you need to know

Gadgeteers will launch in all our libraries on **Saturday 9 July 2022** and run until **Saturday 3 September 2022**.

It is open to ALL children, completely free of charge. Simply visit your [local library](#) to join the challenge and read six books over the summer to collect your prizes!

### What books do we need to read?

Children can read ANY book of their choice; fiction, non-fiction, picture books or books they share with parents and carers, they can also listen to audiobooks, they all count! Very young children can pick up a special prize when they've completed their challenge too.

**So what are you waiting for, head down to your local Southampton library and join the challenge today!**





# SUMMER OF HAF 2022



### WHAT IS IT?

Tech, Sport & Having Fun what could be better?  
Aged 5-16 come along and join in the fun with 360 degree sports coaching and ComputerXplorers.

### WHERE IS IT?

Multiple Venues Across Southampton

- Itchen College
- Redbridge Community School

### WHATS ON?

- Laser Tag
- Hoverboards
- Multi Sports
- VR
- Robotics and Coding
- Game Design
- Dodgeball
- Minecraft

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK NOW](#)

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