



# 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,

**Please find attached to the school website the following;**

- Online Safety Part 2

To view these attachments please [click here](#)

### **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.

Coming soon

As of September 2021 children will remain in their Sports Uniform

## Dates for your Diary

### **May**

Thursday 27th

Year 6 Leavers Photos

Friday 28th

Non-Uniform Day

**Monday 31st –Friday 4th May**

**MAY HALF TERM**

### **UNIFORM REMINDER**

Please remember children should be wearing **BLACK** Sports Joggers, Leggings, or Skorts, only school jumpers are allowed.

### **Southampton Music Services**

Southampton Music Service would like to offer a double bass taster session to pupils at Shirley Junior School.

If your child would be interested in attending with a view to continuing with a peripatetic lessons which incurs a cost , please let the school office know.



### **HEALTHY TRAVEL**

The bike shed is back open if your child would like to scoot or cycle to school.

Lets get healthy!



### **My Child at School App — MCAS**

As we have previously communicated we are now using a new online app for payments, weekly communication and emails

If you have not yet down loaded the MCAS app or visited the website to access this or are having issues accessing MCAS please let the know so that we may assist you with this as we will be using other aspects of MCAS in the future

If you are currently not using the MCAS app the Weekly Communication will be sent to your nominated email address whereas if you have downloaded the add it will show in the MCAS app

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

<https://www.shirleyjuniorschool.org/page/?title=Community+Information&pid=115>

## The Big Ask survey for school pupils

Last month the Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, launched [The Big Ask](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/) – the largest ever survey of children in England. It asks all children about their priorities and concerns for the future, so that we can put children at the heart of the national recovery post-COVID-19.

Have your pupils all had their say about what matters to them? If not, then please consider supporting them in completing this survey and make their voice heard. Every single pupil's voice is important. The deadline for completing the survey is Friday 28 May.

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

## Mental Health Awareness Week 10th -16th May

The theme for this year is nature. Spending quality time with nature can reduce stress, balance your mood and help you feel more positive.

The important thing is to switch on your senses and really connect with the outside world. Hopefully, you can do this over the coming week in particular with your family. This may be by going for a woodland walk, exercising outside or just appreciating being outside and all the goodness it has to offer.



# Community News

## Over 40s can now book a vaccination

**Are you aged 40 or over?**

**Say YES to the COVID-19 vaccine.**

You can get the COVID-19 vaccine if:

- you're aged 40 or over
- You'll turn 40 before 1 July 2021

You are at [high risk from coronavirus](#) (clinically extremely vulnerable)

- You are an eligible frontline health or social care worker
- You have a condition that puts you at higher risk (clinically vulnerable)
- You are a main carer for someone at high risk from coronavirus

You must book your appointment before you go to a vaccination centre. You can book appointments at a larger vaccination centre or a pharmacy that provides COVID-19 vaccinations.

If you have received an invitation, [book your appointment call 119, or contact your GP surgery to book](#)

Please make sure you plan your journey responsibly to allow for as much social distancing as possible.

[A new study by Public Health England](#) (PHE) has shown that one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine reduces household transmission by up to half, but be sure to schedule and attend vaccinations for **both** doses when you book.

### ***Due for your second dose of the vaccine soon?***

You will be eligible for your second dose of the COVID-19 vaccination from 10-12 weeks after your first dose.

Please review [NHS programme guidance on vaccinations](#) for more details about where you receive your second dose.

Depending on where you were first vaccinated, the ways of confirming second dose appointments differ; this is due to the logistics of operating different sites and different vaccines, compounded by vaccine delivery schedules.

- If you were invited by your **GP practice** (e.g. Adelaide Health Centre, Ladies Walk Surgery, Chessel Avenue Surgery, St Peters Surgery, University Health Centre), wait to be contacted by your GP.
- If you were invited for vaccination at a **hospital site**, (e.g. Solent NHS Trust Hospital), then you will be contacted by the hospital site to book your second dose appointments.
- If you went to a **mass vaccination site or pharmacy site (e.g. Applemore Leisure Centre, Boots Pharmacy, West Quay Retail Park)**, you can book your second appointment online via the National Booking Service [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) or by calling 119 if you do not already have one.

### [Book your second dose](#)

Excellent progress continues to be made with the delivery of the COVID-19 vaccination programme across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

More than 1.36m vaccines have now been delivered to those in our communities who are most at risk.

**FIND OUT MORE** <https://hampshiresouthamptonandisleofwightccg.nhs.uk/your-health/latest-information-on-covid-19/covid-19-vaccination-programme>

Hamwic Education Trust are pleased to partner with Shout 85258 - a free, confidential, 24/7 text message support service for any of our students, staff or parents who are feeling overwhelmed or struggling to cope. The service is staffed by trained volunteers who will work with students, staff or parents to take next steps towards feeling better.



They can help with issues such as stress, anxiety, worry and relationship problems and are there to talk at any time of day or night.

For more information visit <https://giveusashout.org/>

Text HAM to 85258 for immediate support.

**SAFE AT HOME**

Are you safe at home?

Want to access DA support services?

Want advice on Domestic abuse?

Scan here

What's available locally?

Need to help a friend or colleague?

Reach out to us. We are here to help.

**The Gregg Schools**

**OPEN DAY**

Saturday 26th June 10am - 1pm

Please book in advance for tours of the schools  
Minibus service between the two sites running throughout the morning

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Independent Day Schools for 3-16 Year olds in Southampton

# PTFA

## Uniform sale

Do you need a top up? Has your child had a growth spurt? Check out our online uniform sale next week on facebook.

<https://fb.me/e/1osdAUPLm>

## Join the new committee!

Are you interested? We'd love to chat about it! We've had one volunteer already to join the new team, could you help too? We're hoping to organise an event for the end of term, so this would be a great way to find out how it all works.

Find us through facebook, email [pta@shirleyschools.co.uk](mailto:pta@shirleyschools.co.uk) find us on the road some time if you'd like to ask any questions. We have all thoroughly enjoyed the years that we have done this!

## School Lottery

This remains a great way to support the school - with the chance to win £25,000!! Weekly prize money to someone in our school is currently standing at £20.80, and the more people that play the more you could win! 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>