



# Shirley Junior School

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24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I know that you are aware that there is further teacher strike action planned for Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. I am aware that a large number of our teachers will not be in attendance due to the strike action, but I will not be completely sure of actual numbers until the day. As a result of knowing the minimum number of teachers who will and will not be in, Shirley Junior School has made the decision to remain open to the following groups of children:

- Firefly Class
- Orchid Mantis Class
- Blue Tit Class
- Siberian Husky Class – (Children will still attend the swimming session booked for that day.)
- A small number of vulnerable children whose parents will be contacted individually by 3pm on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

I know that this may not be ideal for you, and I hope you can understand how difficult it has been to navigate and make this decision.

In order to be able to fulfil this offer, we have considered if we will have enough staff to cover first aid, break times and lunch duties as well as being legally covered with first aiders and fulfil the necessary ratios. We have identified that we will not have enough staff available to open to any more children.

Remote learning for pupils will be available so please help your child log on to their Google Classroom.

Many thanks for your understanding and I am very sorry for the inconvenience that I know this will cause, but I have tried to give you as much notice as possible. I understand how frustrating it is having the schools closed again, but the safety of the school community continues to be my priority.

If your child is free school meals, but has not been invited into school on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and you would like school to provide them with a packed lunch, which you will need to collect, please complete the reply slip below. Please return this no later than Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Hixon  
Headteacher

**Headteacher : Mrs. A Hixon BA Hons NPQH**

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I confirm that my child/children is/are Pupil free school meals and I wish to collect a school packed lunch from the school office on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023.

Name of Child/children.....

Classes .....

Ham sandwich

Or

Cheese Sandwich

I can confirm I will collect the lunch from school between 12.00pm and 1.00pm

Signed .....

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