# **Junior Weekly Communication** Please reply to <u>juniorinfo@shirleyschools.co.uk</u> Dear Parents and Carers, Please find attached to the school website the following letters; **Diary Dates** Year 4 Home Work **FORTHCOMING DATES** Monday 6th School re-opens at 8:45am for SPRING 1 Monday 6th Parent Corner with Karen Allen 9am Every Monday in Community Room Monday 6th Year 6 Author Visit at school Arts & Crafts (Monday Class) After School Club Starts Monday 6th Tuesday 7th Karate Club Starts 7.45am Tuesday 7th Year 5 Orca Swimming Starts (6 weeks) Tuesday 7th School Orchestra Starts Wednesday 8th Arts & Crafts (Wednesday Class) After School Club Starts Thursday 9th Ukulele After School Club Starts Thursday 9th Katies Cooking After School Club Starts (TBC) **MISSED THE FLU IMMUNISATION?** Catch up clinic for the children in your schools who did not receive the flu vaccine in school at the vaccination session because they were absent, unwell or had not returned a form. The information is as follows: Children's flu catch up clinics on THURSDAY 9TH OF JANUARY, Adelaide Health Centre, William Macleod Way, SO164XE, 3 -4.30pm or Thornhill Centre for Healthy Living, Pepys Avenue, SO196PJ, 3-4.30pm.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all. Kind regards Amanda Hunt Administration Officer **PTFA Thank you** so much for all your support over the last year. It's been lots of fun and we've raised an amazing amount of funds for the school. Can't wait to see the new playground development early next year! We've got lots more planned for the coming year so buy those quiz tickets, sign up to the lottery, and don't be shy, why not join our group of volunteers – everyone is very welcome! **NEW School Lottery – starts 11th Jan!** If we sell 100 tickets a week for our school lottery we will raise £40 every week, £160 every month, £1920 every year. That's nearly £2000 extra we can spend on the school and the children. So please sign up today, it's only £1 per week and not only will someone from the school win at least £20 every week, there is also the chance of winning £25,000 in the national draw. First draw 11th January. Everyone can join - grandparents, aunties, uncles, neighbours - just share the link and support the school! You can sign up here: https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/shirley-junior-school School Quiz night - Fri 24th Jan 2020 Juniors - join us for the annual children's quiz! Tickets are just £3.50 per child and include a hot dog with free squash and water. There will also be a tuck shop selling sweets and crisps or feel free to bring your own snacks.

Then later that same evening......join us for the <u>adults quiz & curry night!</u>
For just £10 per person you'll have entry to the quiz and a delicious curry from Sanjha.
Teams can be a maximum of 8 people with no minimum. For smaller groups and individuals, just let us know if you'd like to be joined with others to make up a bigger team. Ticket price includes a buffet of chicken and vegetable curry with naan and poppadums. Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

## Tickets to both quizzes are available now - click here:

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sjs-ptfa/index.cfm?event=shop#.XfJV Oj7RPY



## Silent Disco - Fri 13th March

Join us for an amazing family event! We'll have 2 family discos followed by an adults-only disco with licensed bar. More details to follow – watch this space!!



# Match funding

This year we are hoping to increase the money we raise by looking at match funding. Many companies will offer to match or add to money raised when you volunteer. If we had one parent do this for each event we could really get a boost on what we raise. Do you think you could help? Please look into whether your company does this and then contact us to arrange this. Imagine adding £250 to an event for one hour of your time.

The poster below might give you some ideas about UK companies who are known to match fund in this way. If you work for one of them, please ask about it and let us know!



### **Uniform Shop**

Don't forget we run a uniform shop every Monday after drop off in the community room.

#### **Pond Area**

There is a team working on a plan for developing the pond area. If you would like to be involved please contact Jen Bleeck. Plans for spending The junior school are saving up for a big playground redevelopment starting early next year. The pond (yes, there is really a pond) and its surrounding woodland space is mostly unused behind the big fence. We are saving to pay for a new, smaller fence to be put up around the pond itself so that the big external fence can be removed and children can enjoy the shaded area during break times, and teachers can use the woodland area as an outdoor classroom. We are also planning on removing the mushrooms as several of them are broken, and instead putting in fabulous new equipment for the enjoyment of all the junior children. We need to raise lots of funds to support this – if you or your company would like to sponsor this development, please just email <a href="mailto:pta@shirleyschools.co.uk">pta@shirleyschools.co.uk</a>. **Shopping for school** If you are doing your shopping online, please use these Amazon Smile or Easyfundraising links first – these pay money directly to the PTFA, which goes directly to the school, at NO EXTRA COST to you. https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sjsptfa/?fbclid=lwAR1GZz2Oc 2PBKEGIP9wkjM cVbz92U1I6OXnP1aHEwmAChKk1gKcYGy2NBA