



Shirley Schools



Weekly Communication

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

Friday 20th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached to the school website the following letters;

- Year 3 Blue Funnel Cruise Parent Information

Please find the links to the letter pages on our websites

<https://www.shirleyinfantschool.org.uk/page/?title=Letters&pid=72>

<https://www.shirleyjuniorschool.org.uk/page/?title=School+Letters&pid=39>

Dates for your Diary

Shirley Infant School

MAY 2022

Thursday 26th Year R Celebration Event 2:50pm
 Friday 27th Year 1 Celebration Event 2:50pm
 Hamwic Jubilee Celebrations wear red, white & blue
LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM 1
School closes at 3.10pm

JUNE 2022

Monday 6th School opens 8.45am for Summer 2
 Thursday 9th Year 1 Hilliers Trip
 Friday 10th Year 2 Marwell Trip
 Thursday 16th Year 2 Leavers Photos
 Tuesday 21st Year 2 going to Year 3 New Parent
 Info Evening - Junior Hall 6pm
 Friday 24th **INSET DAY School closed to pupils**

Shirley Junior School

MAY 2022

Monday 23rd Year 4 Foxlease parents info evening at 5.30pm - Hall - **PARENTS ONLY**
 Thursday 26th Share my Learning 8:20am & 3:10pm
 Friday 27th Hamwic Jubilee Celebrations & Cultural Diversity Day - wear cultural clothing or red, white & blue
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School closes at 3.20pm

JUNE 2022

Monday 6th School opens 8.45am for Summer 2
 Thursday 9th Year 4 Common Trip
 Thursday 9th Year 3 Outcome in Hall 4.45pm
 Friday 10th Year 5 Paultons Park
 Wednesday 15th Year 4 Foxlease Residential 2 nights
 Thursday 16th Year 6 Leavers Photos
 Friday 24th **INSET DAY School closed to pupils**

Coming soon

Wednesday 6th July Transition Day

Year 2 End of year celebration arrangements

Juniors Sports Day 18th July

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!

Attendance

As COVID restrictions have eased and it has become possible to travel again, we have received an increase in applications for leave of absence (holiday forms). This has meant that it is taking longer to process the forms, please bear with us. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that it is important that your child/ren attends school regularly and that they are only absent when they are ill or when personal circumstances mean it is unavoidable. All requests for holidays will be declined and parents may be liable to a fine of £60 per parent per child. Please can you ensure that all requests for leave are submitted at least 3 weeks before the date of the leave unless there are exceptional circumstances.

YEAR 3 PARENTS

On Thursday 9th June, we would like to celebrate all the amazing learning the year 3 children have done throughout our project, Firework Maker's Daughter.

Please join us at 4.45pm for our showcase in the Junior Hall.

FOSIS/PTFA

INFANT CAKE SALE - TODAY (after school) 2022



Year R parents, we need:

Donations (baked or bought), bring to pick up

Everyone:

Bring pennies (we will also accept card payments!) for your children to spend!

Bring a Tupperware box on the day to carry their purchases!

***SAVE THE DATE* - SUMMER FAIR – SATURDAY 2 JULY (11-2PM)**



How to get involved:

If you work for or know of any companies that would like to donate a **raffle prize**, please get in touch via pta@shirleyschools.co.uk. We'll include their logo in our promotional material and programme as much as possible.

Volunteers, volunteers, volunteers, we'll need lots of them so if you have an hour or two spare and can help out, we would love to hear from you, please email

pta@shirleyschools.co.uk

All proceeds go to FOSIS

A LITTLE THANK YOU TO OUR RAFFLE PRIZE SPONSORS SO FAR..



Raffle tickets for the Summer Fair will soon be coming home with your children.

Huge thank you to our sponsors, especially Morris Dibben for donating an iPad!

If anyone else wants to donate a raffle prize, it's not too late - email pta@shirleyschools.co.uk

Toyota GB supports FOSIS and Shirley Infants School with £1750 donation



Toyota GB has given a grant of £1750 to the Friends Of Shirley Infant School (FOSIS) charity to support the excellent work they do.

Kassandra Colley (Co-Chair for FOSIS, pictured far right) said *"this generous grant from Toyota enables us to support the school with larger projects than we might otherwise have been able to do"*. Alastair Rutt (Treasurer for FOSIS and representing Toyota GB, pictured left) said *"it's an honour to be able to give something back to the community by working with FOSIS, and to have an employer who is prepared to support this is amazing"*. The money is to go

towards helping the children be able to make more sustainable choices for their journey to and from school with the provision of a new, secure scooter and bike shed as well as going towards a large, longer term project.

Cate Gregory (Shirley Infant School's Headteacher, pictured middle right) commented *"we work really closely with FOSIS, who provide not only monetary support but run loads of fun, and educational events to support our amazing school. The ability for them to be able to support larger projects for us with generous donations like this one from Toyota really enables us to help future generations have the best start possible"*.

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>

COMING SOON...



JUNIOR SCHOOL LOTTERY



Extra prizes to win if you sign up to our school lottery **before 25th June** - just £1 per week and someone from **OUR school wins EVERY week!**

Sign up here: [Support Shirley Junior School when you play Your School Lottery - Your School Lottery](#)

- Please help give our fundraising a much-needed boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- Win up to £25,000!

To support your school, go to:
yourschoollottery.co.uk/play
and search for: **Shirley Junior**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 25th June 2022. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).

DON'T FORGET ...



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

Ever used Shirley Parish Hall? Or have some ideas of how it can be improved for the community?

It's desperately in need of refurbishment or redevelopment to make it into a good facility for the next generations. We'd love to know your honest impressions of the Hall at the moment, and your ideas for how it could best serve our local community in the future.



Please head to www.stjamesbythepark.org/shirleyparishhall to fill in a 5 minute survey.

Thank you!

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🕒 Time: 9am - 4pm

📍 Location: The Mountbatten School, Romsey

📅 30th, 31st May & 1st June



£25 per day
£67.50 for 3 days



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How can anxious parents raise confident children?

Together we can find out

If you are a parent who experiences anxiety you could help test a new free online course designed to help parents of children aged 2-11.

Find out more:



www.parentingwithanxiety.org.uk



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Parenting with Anxiety: Helping Anxious Parents Raise Confident Children



What is the Parenting with Anxiety study?



I am Professor Sam Cartwright-Hatton who heads the Parenting with Anxiety study team at the University of Sussex. Our work is focused on developing tools and support to help parents who experience anxiety and reduce anxiety in children.

We are looking for 2,000 parents who experience anxiety to join us in testing an online course developed to give anxious parents skills and techniques to raise confident children.

Parents who get involved are not only helping us to test the course, they are contributing to scientific research which will bring us closer to improving the lives of parents and children with anxiety.

What does taking part involve?

The course is made up of eight modules. They take about 20-30 minutes to complete and it is all done online, on your computer, tablet or smart phone. You can do it at your own pace and at a time that suits you.

You will also be asked to fill in a set of questionnaires at the start and again on two occasions over the next year and a half.

Half of the parents who sign up for the study will be asked to complete this course and the other half will just be asked to fill in the questionnaires.

If you wanted to try the course, it may be disappointing to be in the control group, but you are still playing an essential role in our work in helping parents with anxiety. We value the contribution of every parent who takes part.

Who can take part?

You can take part if you:

- Experience high levels of anxiety
- Have a child aged 2-11 that you see at least 50 days per year
- Are aged over 16
- Are a UK resident
- Are able to commit your time to answering our questionnaires on three occasions over the next 18 months

Find out more and sign up at
www.parentingwithanxiety.org.uk

.....so that parenting needn't end when a relationship does



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VOLUNTEER?

ECCC began running a child contact centre in May 2003. We are an independent charitable organisation and are accredited by the National Association of Child Contact Centres (NACCC). ECCC is a safe, impartial, 'supported' contact centre and our focus is the children. We support children of separated families so that time can be spent with one or both parents and sometimes other family members where there is no safe viable alternative for contact to occur.

Do you have a few hours to spare at the weekends and like to help local children?

People who volunteer with the contact centre need to be impartial, caring, tolerant, sensitive, flexible, discreet and reliable. We always put children's needs first, we do not take sides with either parent or any other adults involved in the contact.

Come along to an open evening to find out more!

Where: Dovetail Centre, Chandlers Ford Methodist Church

When: 12th May 2022

What time: drop in between 7.00-9.00pm

Light refreshments will be served



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