



Shirley Juniors

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.

Dear Parents and Carers,

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.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st February 2021 - Extra INSET DAY—School closed to all pupils

No work will be set or any online Lessons due to this Inset

Day

Please remember to be considerate of others when lining up in the queue

Please remember to wear a mask where possible unless you have a medical condition which exempts you.



JUNIOR PLAYGROUND

Take a look at the new apparatus going up in the Junior Playground



It will be ready soon

Use of Google Classroom to contact teachers

Please can we ask parents to use the office@shirleyschools.co.uk email address to contact teachers with any concerns they may have about their child in terms of online learning? The Classroom Stream is there for children to converse with their teachers, to ask questions and get feedback. It is not appropriate for parents to use it to communicate with teachers due to safeguarding of the children.

ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Coronavirus (COVID-19): support for parents and carers to keep children safe online

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online>

Thinkuknow resources for families – 15 minute family activity packs around staying safe online https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/?utm_source=Thinkuknow&utm_campaign=c96a649dde-TUK_GLOBAL_12_11_20&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_0b54505554-c96a649dde-64897013

NET Aware – NSPCC guide to social media and apps online including advice on security of apps and risks <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

NSPCC and o2 Keeping children safe online support – further links to resources and access to support (including o2 gurus) <https://www.o2.co.uk/help/nspcc> (you do not need to be an NSPCC customer to use the free service)

Internet Matters - Fantastic resources including 'advice by age' and guidance for settings and controls some really great resources for all ages from 0 -18 <https://www.internetmatters.org/>

UK Safer Internet Centre – lots of guidance, support and advice including a free subscription to a Newsletter (at the bottom of home page) <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>



**FREE ONLINE
HOMEWORK
CLUB!**

- RUN BY LIBRARIES PLUS -

FOR ANYONE AGED 5-18

Libraries Plus is a free homework club run by students at the University of Southampton.

Bring along homework or questions that you would like support with!

Our sessions will run online via Zoom between the w/c 1st of February and the w/c 15th of March.

Our session times are:

Wednesdays, 4-6pm
Saturdays, 11am-1pm

To book a session, follow the link below!
librariesplus.ticketleap.com/librariesplus-homework-club/

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PTFA

FAMILY QUIZ - NEXT FRIDAY

Join us on Zoom on Fri 5th Feb at 6.15pm for our second virtual family quiz.

Just £5 per family for over 2 hours of fun!

The picture round will be shown from 6.15pm, followed by the next round at 6.30pm. We'll aim to finish at 8.30pm.

The family ticket includes 8 family-friendly quiz rounds and games.

Optional extras (just £1 per person playing) include a game of Higher or Lower and a thrilling virtual duck race where the winner keeps half the kitty for each game. You can either buy your tickets for these games in advance or on the night. See the event for more details.

Tickets available now at:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sjs-ptfa/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=34255>

PYJAMA DAY! Feb 12th Feb.

Celebrate making it through this half term by wearing your pyjamas for school or home school. £1 donation to Fosis/PTFA.

Paypal money pool here <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8wgyQoj3ev> or cash in envelope to 55 Darlington Gardens or 93 Wilton road.

VALENTINE'S DAY VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE - 14th Feb

Flying from the Eiffel Tower, Paris, the city of love..

Buy your balloons for just £3. Beat the others in your family and enjoy Amanda's daily updates! The winner from our school wins a prize, and if your balloon beats all the other charity balloons you win £500.

Buy your balloon here: <https://ecoracing.co/user/page/1342>

PTFA Logo

We still need a Logo! Take a break from home school to design us a logo. See the letter from last week for the template and optional owls, and drop any designs in the basket outside 1 Branksome Ave by Sun 21st Feb.

NEW PLAYGROUND

You won't believe it - it looks amazing.. Kids are going to love it.

COMING SOON

Bagstoschool - Collection planned for March

World Book Day Fun.