Junior Weekly Communication Please reply to juniorinfo@shirleyschools.co.uk Dear Parents and Carers, Please find attached to the school website the following letters; Citizenships Award Booklet PTFA Newsletter • Careers Fair & Science Week Parents Evening Letter Coronavirus Update **FORTHCOMING DATES** Monday 2nd Year 5 River Trip Thursday 5th World Book Day - Dress up Scientist / Engineer (famous/not famous) Monday 9th **INSET DAY—School Closed for pupils** Tuesday 10th Science Week Tuesday 10th Year 6 Hook Day - Pupils wear old clothes as they will be getting dirty Friday 13th PTFA Silent Disco **NEW CITIZENSHIP AWARD** We are delighted to present out new Citizenship Award. The award aims to help children develop skills in 9 different strands, including Independence, Eco Warrior, School Community, Wider Community and Leadership. Each child will get an Award Booklet to be kept at school which contains suggestions for activities and space for each one to be signed off, and there will be some extra ideas for some of the strands on the website in the Pupils section.

To earn their award each year, children need to complete an activity in each of 9 strands. They will receive a coloured wristband that they can wear for the rest of their time at Shirley Junior School, and if they do the award each year they can collect all 4 different colours. This award replaces Bands of Trust and we hope that lots of our children will be inspired to have a go at earning it. In year 6, as long as children have completed at least one activity from each strand in their time with us, they can nominate themselves for their Governors Award, where they will have an interview with our Chair of Governors to talk about themselves as citizens and how they have contributed. On our website will be a copy of the booklet so you can see what the booklet will look like; we will also send a paper copy home with the children so you can stick it to your fridge for reference. In conjunction with this, and linked to Grit, our newest Learning Value, Big Life Journal have offered us a 10% discount code on all their journals and downloadable resources: use the code Shirley10 - or if you use this link, the code is applied automatically: https://biglifejournal-uk.co.uk/discount/Shirley10 **PARENT CORNER** There will be NO Parent Corner with Mrs Allen on Monday 2nd March YEAR 6 PARENTS 31at March & 2nd April Please book via the school office Kind regards Amanda Hunt Administration Officer

