



# Shirley Junior School

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4th May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Shirley Junior School!

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming months. Thank you for choosing Shirley Junior School; it is a great pleasure to be embarking on the next phase of your child's learning with them. We believe it is important to ensure your child has had opportunities to meet other pupils, make friends, build a relationship with their teacher and to get to know as much about our school as possible before they start with us in September to ensure a positive transition. We are writing to let you know of some of the events we have planned this half term to support this smooth transition into Year 3 at Shirley Junior School.

We work closely with the year 2 team at Shirley Infant School to give the children as many opportunities as possible to get to know the Junior School and the staff. These activities will start later in the summer term with a range of activities including coming to listen to stories in Year 3, shared play together on the Junior School playground, taking part in MOOT together with Year 3 pupils and having a chance to meet and play with their future Year 6 buddies. The year 3 team will inform you of these sessions towards the end of this half term. These sessions are open to all children starting at Shirley Junior School regardless of where they are currently and will happen automatically for Shirley Infant School children. Therefore, if your child does NOT currently attend Shirley Infant school, please telephone the school office to let us know whether they will be attending.

We would like to find out as much about your child and their family as we can. To help with this, we have created a Google questionnaire where you can tell us about your child's feelings, their learning, their friends and any issues you would like to make us aware of. We can then use this to inform us when organising the class groups for next year. We would ask you to complete the questionnaire by the end of May 2021:

<https://forms.gle/MrBq9CLHft8hJSGL7>

If you would like to book an individual meeting with the Year Leader or Bridget Patten (SEND Co) to discuss your child's needs, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with the school office for after May half term.

Due to changing circumstances, we will be sharing our school prospectus at a later date so it is as current as it can be, given the current restrictions and guidance.

We look forward to meeting you and getting to know you.

Best Wishes

Annette Hixon  
Headteacher

Jo Tearle  
Deputy Headteacher

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

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Date for your diary:

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 6pm - we will be holding a new parent's information evening. This will be an opportunity for you to get to know the junior school staff, how the school runs, what your children's topics will be and to also collect a pack containing information. We would like to hold this in the Junior School hall, but if this is not possible then it will be virtual – information will follow about this later in the term.

## Other Information

Details regarding pupil registration will be sent out to you in due course.

If your circumstances change, meaning that your child no longer requires a place at Shirley Junior School, it is essential that you inform either the School Office or the Local Authority (LA) immediately.

LA: Telephone number: 023 8083 3004 or E-mail: [school.admissions@southampton.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@southampton.gov.uk)

SCHOOL: Telephone number: 023 8077 1434 or E-mail: [office@shirleyschools.co.uk](mailto:office@shirleyschools.co.uk)

We all look forward to meeting you in June – the start of a very important journey!

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

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