June 2022 You spoke, we listened...

We value parent and carer feedback at Shirley Junior School, and make sure we take it into account where possible. We know that we are not perfect and we recognise there are lots of things about school that are set by the government or by the Trust that we cannot change - but there are also lots of things within our control that we have sought your views on.

Over the last year, these are some of the changes that have been made as a result of your feedback:

Communication:

- Communication from both schools comes out on one standard day every week.
- Letters are in one single place on both schools' websites.
- The weekly communication has a hyperlink to the letters page on the websites.
- There is an annual letter about year group trips.
- We have removed reply slips for the regular trips.
- Dates are publicised a term in advance as much as possible.
- Information is sent via email and My Child At School so that Marvellous Me can be reserved for learning
- Both schools have stepped away from Facebook as having information on there from the schools was confusing.
- The subject link of most emails says which school the communication is from.
- We are trialling translating the weekly communication into Polish.
- We have added a general feedback form to the website (under the Contact Us) section

Planners:

- The planners now feature space for children to record additional home learning, and test results in class.
- The planners now feature a page where passwords can be stored. The extra information which was for parents rather than children, has been removed and is shared in other ways.
- High frequency spelling words are now included.

Other:

- The websites have been changed several times in response to feedback. This has included where information can be found, and how letters are named.
- Information has been sent home about software used in school (such as Flipgrid and Google classroom).
- We notified parents when there were 3 cases of Covid in a class so they could take preventative actions, and encouraged parents to use Lateral Flow tests when there were 5 cases or more in a class.
- We have returned to real books that the children can take home to read.
- The next parent's evening will be a hybrid one, with a choice between a virtual session and a face-to-face session

If you have any other suggestions, they can be shared with your class rep, or via the parent feedback form on the 'Contact us' section of the website (https://www.shirleyjuniorschool.org/contact - scroll down below the table to find a link)

Thank you for your continued support and your continued investment in our school

Mrs Hixon, head teacher Mrs Tearle, deputy head teacher