



Shirley Infant School

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DIARY DATES

November

Monday 19th	Parent Corner 9am
Thursday 22nd	Year R Dress Up Day
Friday 23rd	Year 2 Home Learning
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Friday 23rd	FOSIS Beetle Drive
Wednesday 28th	Otter Class Teddy Bear Hospital



December

Wednesday 5th	Squirrel Class Teddy Bear Hospital
Monday 10th	Bag2School collection 9.30am
Tuesday 11th	Christmas Performance 1.45 – 3pm
Wednesday 12th	Hedgehog Class Teddy Bear Hospital
Wednesday 12th	Christmas Performance 9.45—11am
Friday 14th	Christmas Jumper & Dinner Day
Monday 17th	Parent Corner 9-10am
Tuesday 18th	Year 2 Theatre Trip
Thursday 20th	School closes at 3.10pm for Christmas
Friday 21st	INSET DAY

January

Monday 7th School re-opens at 8.45am for Spring 1

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We have had some very exciting and busy weeks.

Year 2 have visited the Sea City Museum which launched their Titanic Topic. They are working on timelines and key events of the historical facts.

Year 1 have visited the Winchester Science Museum as the launch to their Sparkle and Shine topic. They are so excited about learning about the first moon landing and thinking about reflection and light.

Year R have discovered a magic key. They have created some fantastic castle role play areas and discussed what castles they would like to live in, in their *Once Long Ago* topic.

We would like to share our **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-19**. These are our school improvement plans for the coming year which have been drawn up following consultation with staff and governors:-

- To develop middle leadership across the school
- To ensure that assessment of pupils with SEND leads to appropriate and effective task design for individuals
- To embed the effective and accurate assessment of children with SEND
- To improve the provision of greater depth challenge in core subjects
- To improve the security and quality of maths evidence in books, leading to improved outcomes across KS1



If you would like to see a copy of the Improvement Plan please ask at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas productions. Nativity Information to follow soon!

Thank you for your support this half term.



We wish to say such a huge thank you to the parents who have kindly donated from our Amazon wish list or brought us some new stationary. This is so gratefully received and the staff have been so excited for these gifts. We truly are very lucky to be part of the family community that we all belong to and support each other. Thank you from the children and staff.

[AMAZON WISHLIST](#)

Parking Responsibly

Once again, may we remind you that you must always park legally when dropping children to school. The City Council now have a new CCTV car that will be patrolling around schools in Southampton. This will include blocking drives, gates, parking too close to a junction and stopping on the zig zags.

HARVEST DONATIONS

We were overwhelmed by your generosity for harvest. 8 large boxes crammed full with donations were gratefully received by the Society of St James, a Hampshire based homelessness charity.

Thank you, you are simply amazing!



FIREWORK DISPLAY



We would like to say a huge thank you for all the hard work of the FOSIS team and Junior PTA. This event was spectacular not just for the fireworks but the amazing community feel. Mr Davis put on a fabulous display with the help of Mr Hack who was on hand for any first aid. Thank you to all of you who supported this new event it was a delight to hear that this enabled so many families to attend a firework display together.

We would like to thank *Make it Magic* for their generous donation of the fireworks at an affordable cost and the support he gave in putting the display together for us. This is a fabulous company who have hugely supported a community event.



Anti-Bullying Week



The children have been learning about this year's focus of 'Choose Respect'.

The aim of this year's Anti Bullying campaign is that individuals have the right to be respected and to respect others. We have focussed on respecting your own body and mind.

We have been empowering the children to celebrate what makes them, and others, unique (UNICEF, Article 17 & 29). We believe that together we can support our children in their understanding of bullying. Throughout last week we encouraged all members of staff and children to show their respecting actions in different ways.

Learning and behaviours are unique to all people. We have explored how respectful actions can look different to each other and as a parenting community we need to support our children with this understanding. This has further strength our ethos to allow for individual and collective action to prevent bullying, creating safe environments where children can be themselves (UNICEF, Article 3 & 23). We have been extremely proud of the children's responses and work in their Philosophy sessions.



TRANSFER TO JUNIOR SCHOOL

Parents of children in Year 2 are currently making applications for junior school places.

The nearest junior schools to Shirley Infants are;

SHIRLEY JUNIOR SCHOOL
HOLLYBROOK JUNIOR SCHOOL
FAIRISLE JUNIOR SCHOOL



Please be aware that **Wordsworth is a Primary School**, therefore, you will be unable to choose this as one of your options when applying for a Year 3 place.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CURRENTLY 97.8%

