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Shirley Infant School

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Dear Families,

We continue to be so proud of our children and have loved seeing their creations and super work that have been sent in to the info email account. The staff are working hard on their stories and challenges for you. So keep a look out on the website for the next virtual book in our virtual library in news section on the home page of the website. We hope you are enjoying the activities that are with the books too.



We know there is a lot of speculation about when schools will return and we are sorry to say we honestly do not know. We are receiving our updates at the same time as you within the main government announcements. This means we are having to put systems and plans into place in a very short space of time. We are continuing to work hard on planning the curriculum that the children have not had yet for their current year groups and how we will support them back into school. We know you all have lots of questions about transition and how bringing your little ones back to school will happen. Even though we are making lots of plans and setting up many scenarios we are unable to share with you how this will happen yet. Please can I reassure you that transition is fundamentally one of our main principles in your child's education and this year will be no different as to how we handle this. We are in close liaison with HAM-WIC and the Local Authority and we will keep you updated. Please can we ask that if you have changed your email address since your child has started school that you have updated us with this. We can only communicate with you using the information that we have. Please email the info@shirleyschools.co.uk account and we can update our records. We are giving you all a Perse sticker for you perseverance skills at this time.



We will continue to put up all of our communication as normal with you in the same way using the website. This will continue to be loaded every Friday after 3pm. Any emergency communication will go through a Marvellous Me as per our agreed communication policy that came out in November 2019.

Parents are sharing their concerns with us about trying to get their little one engaged. We honestly understand what you are going through. When facing the tricky times we are all experiencing, please remember the happy memories you are creating as well. Reading is fundamental to all learning so please keep this up and just do as much as you can of the other curriculum areas. We have topic projects that cover all areas of the curriculum which will support your child's all round development which is practical so give these a go instead.



You can count on us.....

Your Shirley Infant Team

If your financial circumstances have now changed as a result of the Coronavirus your child may be eligible for free school meals. If your child is in Years R, 1 or 2 and therefore entitled to the Universal School Meal it is worth checking for free school meal eligibility as this may result in the schools entitlement to pupil premium for your child. Pupil premium is additional funding given to publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers.

You can perform your own eligibility check by visiting the SCC website at:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/southampton/>

Please select the correct school name from the list on the second page of the online form and if eligible, the school will be notified of this.

If you have been contacted by the school and you are eligible for a Hamper each week, please can you ensure you collect this every Monday between 11:30 and 2:00. An awful lot of organisation and support is going into this scheme and we really need you to be able to collect them on the day within the time period. We look forward to seeing you every Monday between 11:30 and 2:00 in the community room, enter via the Junior school gate on Bellemoor Road.



Useful sites we have already recommended to you for home learning practice:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/>

Your child can read the books that match their colour sequenced books from school. Remember you can email us a video of your child reading if you feel they are finding the book progressively easier. We will assess and Marvellous Me you if they need to change colour sequence. Please add the title of the book to help us when you email.

<https://singup.cmail20.com/t/d-i-mttydt-l-y/>

Continue our love of music and sing along with sing up for Mrs Hearne.

PE with Joe <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6r99N3kXME>

Cosmic Kids Yoga <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

Continue being active and keep your steps up with PE or yoga. Get your grown-ups joining in too.

<https://www.flipsnack.com/CSKidsBooks/what-s-going-on.html>

This links to a lovely book to reassure your child about what is happening

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

Supportive lessons and programmes to support your child's ability and key stage phase

Our support Real PE provider has some brilliant home support for physical and mental well being ideas. Give them a go and log on to:

The website address is: home.jasmineactive.com

Parent email: parent@shirleyinf-1.com

Password: shirleyinf

