



Shirley Infant School Weekly Communications

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Friday 19th January 2024

Head Teacher Message:

We have had a busy week in school which has been good for keeping warm. The children have really enjoyed the awe and wonder that the icy weather brings. Year R made some wonderful petal potions which then froze overnight! As a school, we are focusing on our learning behaviour to collaborate with each other and thinking about what we can do when something does not quite go as planned.



Remember to go and take a look at our new wider curriculum pages on the website so you can see all the wonderful things your children learn in school.



Have a great weekend,
"If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way."

Whole School Dates:

Tue 30/1/24 – Pupil Progress Drop-In Morning (see page 3 for details)

Thu 1/2/24 – Pupil Progress Drop-In Morning (see page 3 for details)

Fri 2/2/24 – INSET day (school closed to pupils)

Mon 5/2/24 – INSET day (school closed to pupils)

Mon 12/2/24 – Fri 16/1/24 Half Term

Mon 11/3/24 - INSET day (school closed to pupils)

Mon 25/3/24 – School Photo Day

Messages:

Park Run Number 3

Well done to all the runners who took part this week. It was another cold one and the new route worked well. We had 4 newcomers which was great to see. Well done to Euan from Woodpeckers, Lorrie from Badgers and Torrin from Rabbits who ran 9 laps. Another well done to Jasmine in Rabbits who showed great perseverance this week. (Well done to Mum for running too). We look forward to seeing you all next week. We will have a zumba warm-up.

A gentle reminder, whenever possible please pre-order your child's meal on the SchoolGrid system. This helps the kitchen and school in the event of any last minute technical issues. The link to the login page is: <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk>. Please be aware the cut off for ordering from home is 8.55am and you can also cancel meals if your child is unwell and not at school.

Coming up in your year group...

Year R

People who help us – Do you have time to come in and talk about the job you do to help people? We would love it if you can take 20 minutes to come and talk to Year R about how you help people. Please see your child's class teacher if you can help us.

Celebration Event Friday 9th February at 2.45pm – The children will be showing you their hospital day video.


There are no planned school dress up days in Spring 1.

Please see the next page for information about Little Wandle Phonics sessions 22-26 January.

Year 1

Celebration Events – The children will be sharing their space dances with you in the hall. These are all at 2:45pm but on different days. Please see below:

Moles - Tuesday 30th Jan 

Owls - Wednesday 31st Jan 

Rabbits - Thursday 1st Feb 

There are no planned school dress up days in Spring 1.

Year 2

30th January – Year 2 Spelling Quiz in school

Celebration Event Thursday 8th February at 2.45pm – The children will share their Peter Pan stories with you.

There are no planned school dress up days in Spring 1.

Weekly Attendance Whole School Attendance – 92.1%



83.9%	91.7%	91%	94.8%	92%	99.7%	91.3%	93.3%	93.6%
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If your child is not in school we miss them greatly and will call to see how they are.

The school's Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

DSL: Mrs C Gregory

Deputy DSL: Mrs L Watts

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Year R – Little Wandle Phonics

We teach our pupils how to read through our chosen programme 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised'. We would like to invite you to come and join us for a **Phonics** session where you will get to watch a lesson in your child's classroom and experience the 'Little Wandle way'.

Sessions will run from 9am to 9:20am and 6 people can sign up for each morning. **This will run from Monday 22nd January to Friday 26th January.** The sign up sheet will be on your child's classroom door.

Please can we ask that only one parent or carer attends on this occasion and if siblings attend they will need to sit as quietly as possible so as not to disrupt the learning. The reading leader will be available at the end of the session to answer any questions or queries you may have.

PUPIL PROGRESS DROP-IN MORNINGS (all years)

We will be holding Pupil Progress drop in mornings on **Tuesday 30th January and Thursday 1st February from 8:40am until 8:55am.** This is an opportunity for you to come into the classroom and celebrate your child's work with them. The doors will open at 8:40am as normal and you will be able to come into the classroom with them. We look forward to seeing you then.

Good Grub Club

There is a free Good Grub Club running in February half term, on Tuesday 13th. Families attending will be able to get involved in cooking some tasty food. Please see the flyer attached for further information and to book.

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Thursday 12:15 - 1:00

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Thursday 3:15 - 4:15

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Monday, Shirley Ensemble (12-18 yrs)
4:30 - 6:00

Wednesday, LAMDA Tuition (7+)
times vary depending on grade. Enquire for details.

Thursday, Musical Theatre Class (7-14 yrs)
5:00 - 6:00

Friday, Mixed Company (7-16 yrs)
4:30 - 6:30

Maskers Theatre Company
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