

To contact any member of staff, please email <u>office@shirleyschools.co.uk</u> marked for the attention of the member of staff and your email will be forwarded.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached to the school website the following;

- Returning to School Booklet
- Wellbeing Leaflet
- Symptom Free Testing Letter
- Potentially Dangerous App Letter

#### **KEEPING US INFORMED**

Please could we ask all parents to inform the school if anyone in the household is going for a coronavirus test or is self-isolating as another family member in the household has tested positive.

Please remember to be considerate of others when lining up in the queue and to wear a mask where possible unless you have a medical condition which exempts you.



# Dates for your Diary

#### **MARCH**

Friday 12th Thursday 25th Wednesday 31st **INSET DAY CANCELLED** (rescheduled date below) Parent Forum Bags2School

Thursday 1st April

INSET DAY—School closed to pupils

#### **INSET DAY**

As all children will now return to school on Monday 8th March as per government guidance, the INSET day on Friday 12th March will now move to Thursday 1st April 2021. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

#### Road Closure from 8th March

When children return to school on the 8th March, we will be reinstating the Road Closure on Wilton Road therefore we need volunteers for this. If you are able to help please contact Sarah Horsfall on sarah.horsfall@shirleyschools.co.uk

#### Weekly Communication—IMPORTANT NEWS

As of the week beginning the 8th March when all children return to school we will be sending out our weekly communication via parents email addresses, this will be sent as an attachment and also available on the schools website. Please ensure we hold a current email address in order for you to receive this.

# MARVELLOUS ME

Techers will continue to use Marvellous Me for communications / rewards / updates etc

# PARENT SURVEY PLEASE HELP

We have created a survey for parents to tell us their child's experiences of this lockdown and any particular challenges their child has had. We would be very grateful if you could complete it by Sunday 7th March so that any information can be acted on.

https://forms.gle/WSZ5i2KLv1Hz1nCt9

# LAPTOPS / IPADS/ DONGLES BORROWED FOR HOME LEARNING

If your child borrow a school laptop/ipad/dongle for online learning during lockdown, these **MUST** be returned to a member of the school office team so they can be signed as received no later than **Monday 8th March 2021**.

#### Extra Layers of clothing

When the children return to school on the 8th March it will still be necessary for good ventilation in the classrooms, therefore if you wish your child to wear extra layers underneath their uniform such as long sleeved tops etc then please do so.

#### LATERAL FLOW TESTING

Please see the link below for information on lateral flow testing for households, childcare and support bubbles of primary and secondary-age pupils. The guidance is for people without symptoms. Anyone displaying symptoms should continue to follow national guidance.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff

#### **READING PLANET**

Here are this week's results - Congratulations to Fox and Mole Class who have the most logins

3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	

Don't forget to look at our Community Information page also in the letters section for what's happening in Southampton on our website.

http://www.shirleyinfantschool.org.uk/page/default.asp?pid=82

# **Community Information**

### **SOTSEF Goes Digital 2021**

SOTSEF Goes Digital is the digital edition of the Southampton Science and Engineering Festival, an annual award-winning science festival that allows everyone to explore and discover what the world of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) has to offer.

The Festival will run from Friday 5 to Sunday 14 March 2021.

For further information, please visit https://www.sotsef.co.uk/



#### Free online activity packs

For all parents with children at home at the moment, you may find some of these fun, creative and free education resources really useful.

Tudor House and Garden - https://tudorhouseandgarden.com/hands-on-learning/online-resources/

SeaCity Museum - https://seacitymuseum.co.uk/online-activities

Southampton City Art Gallery - https://www.southamptoncityartgallery.com/resources/

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Until Tuesday next week, eligible people can now walk-in for their COVID-19 vaccination at Oakley Road in Millbrook, Southampton, between 12.30pm and 3.30pm. Eligible people can also visit 3 other vaccination centres offering this trial walk-in vaccine service over the next few days, or pre-book appointments by visiting <u>www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination</u>, where they can choose a time slot and location that suits them, or they can call 119 free of charge, anytime between 7am and 11pm, seven days a week.

Find out more about the <u>COVID-19 vaccine walk-in service</u> and the <u>vaccine roll-out</u> across Hampshire and the Isle of White.

# COVID-19 vaccines for unpaid and family carers



Do you know someone who is an unpaid or family carer? Unpaid and family carers aged 16+ are on one of the priority lists for an early COVID-19 vaccination and vaccines for this group have already begun.

Many unpaid or family carers do not recognise their caring role. Please encourage any family members, neighbours or colleagues you think might have caring responsibilities to register with Carers in Southampton as an unpaid or family carer to be in line to receive the vaccine, even if they are already registered with Carers in Southampton. They must be registered with a Southampton GP Practice.

They will need to tell Carers in Southampton they are a carer by completing a form here: <a href="https://www.carersinsouthampton.co.uk/covid19vaccine">www.carersinsouthampton.co.uk/covid19vaccine</a> or by calling Freephone 0800 776 5217 (Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm) but please be aware that the phone lines are extremely busy.

It is also possible for people in receipt of a carers allowance to go online and book their vaccination at <a href="http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/">www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/</a>, or call 119.





# SCN4 Access to Southampton General Hospital

We are making improvements to how people get around Southampton on foot and by bike.

This proposed improvement would deliver targeted measures to create a continuous cycle corridor between Adanac Park (site of a new Park and Ride) to the city centre, via Lords Hill Centre and the General Hospital (See map). We are planning enhancements to add cycling facilities along this route which forms an important part of Southampton's Cycle Network (SCN route 4 or SCN4).

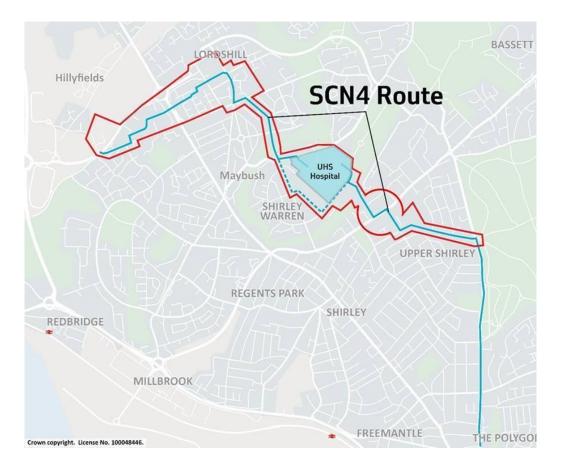
As part of providing a safe cycling route we are making upgrades to the junction of Dale Road, Winchester Road and Wilton Road, then guiding cyclists through quiet roads to the cycle facilities on Hill Lane.

We want to hear your opinions on the Active Travel routes in this area. All feedback received will help to closely inform our plans for the area as these continue to be shaped and developed over the coming months.

If you would like to participate in our short survey, please visit: <u>http://bit.ly/SCN4survey</u>.

The closure for this survey will be Wednesday 10 March.

For additional information please visit <u>https://transport.southampton.gov.uk/scn4access</u>



# FOSIS

Bags2school Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March – details to follow

# **Fairy Door Hunt**



Wouldn't it be lovely to have Fairy Doors pop up around our local streets!

We would love to encourage children from Shirley Infant School to decorate one and put it outside their homes for others to enjoy.

We have some fairy doors and kits for sale here. <u>https://www.pta-events.co.uk/</u> fosis/index.cfm?event=shop#.YBxoUej7Q2w

If you would like to do one yourself or already have one that would be lovely too. We are producing a virtual map where the doors are and to appear on it just email <u>fosis@shirleyschools.co.uk</u>

# Keep up to date with everything going with our facebook pages

Year 2 Face book group - https://www.facebook.com/groups/137311320449399

year 1 Facebook group - https://www.facebook.com/groups/172919936937823

Year R Facebook group - https://www.facebook.com/groups/849370902208557

At the end of this Academic year both the co-chairs, the treasurer and the secretary will be stepping down. We would love to talk to anyone interested in taking over our roles. Please contact us on the above email so we talk you through what the roles look like. I have thoroughly enjoyed the 2 years I have done this.