



Shirley Infant School Weekly Communications

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Friday 17th January 2025

Head Teacher Message

Dear families,

We hoped you enjoyed sharing the road maps with your children last week. These are now officially live on the website too. You will find them on [Curriculum - Shirley Infant School](#).

As part of our Going for Goals and thinking of our aspirations have a chat with your little one about, they have been sharing with us about what they strive to be when they are older. You can talk to them about your dream and aspiration was and what you needed to do to get there. Talk with them about the difficulties and think that were hard and who and what helped you to get there.



Messages:

Christmas jumpers/T-shirts

Are you having a clear out? If you are looking to donate we would love to create a box to support little ones next year who are not able to bring a Christmas jumper to school. Please hand your kind donation to the school office.

Winter Health

Please see attached a letter to parents and carers about current winter pressures, how to keep children well, and the Pharmacy First service.

Cool Milk

Dear parent/guardian. If you have not yet placed this term's school milk order there is still time to do so by visiting www.coolmilk.com, logging into your online account and selecting 'make a payment'. If you have not yet registered your child but wish to do so, please visit www.coolmilk.com/register. For any questions related to our milk scheme, please contact Cool Milk directly at www.coolmilk.com/contact

Emails

When emailing the school office, please include in the subject line the name of the teacher you are contacting, or teacher/class name if you are contacting about end of day collections. Thank you.

Coming up in your year group...

Year R



Year R Height and Weight Checks – 22nd January with the school nursing team

Celebration event – 12th February: 2.45pm – The children will be sharing their video with you of their hospital role play day in school.

Hospital Roleplay – 24th February

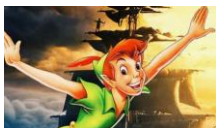
Year 1



As part of our space topic please can all the children bring in a **small** cereal box e.g a breakfast bar box over the next few weeks. Thank you - we will be making moon buggies.

Celebration event - Friday 7th February at 2:45pm. The children will be sharing their space songs that they have learnt throughout their music unit.

Year 2



Curriculum Letter – See attachment

Celebration event - Thursday 6th February: 2.45pm – The children will be sharing their Peter Pan stories with you.

Weekly Attendance Whole School Attendance for last week – 95.8%

Schools target attendance this week is -

97%



95%	98%	96%	95%	97%	96%	98%	97%	91%
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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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School Messages...

EVERY
CHANCE
Opportunities
Inclusive

EVERY
DAY
Understanding
Consistent

Shirley Schools Astro Appeal

Help us fundraise £10,000 to support the replacement of the shared astro pitch. In return for a £10 donation, you can 'own' a square metre of the new astro, [click here](#) to find out more and sign up. You'll be taken to the Infant School website, but the opportunity is open to families of both schools. A letter with a paper version of the sign-up form will be coming out in book bags soon, so please keep an eye out. Any questions, please email fosis@shirleyschools.co.uk We're also working on advertising opportunities for local businesses, so watch this space for more info!

Tennis ball challenge for Spring One.

Shirley Infant School Tennis ball challenge

This half term's challenge is to see how many throws in air you can make without dropping the ball.

You can do this just by throwing and catching or can you add a clap in between each throw? Remember this is a challenge with yourself.

We will ask for your best score at the end of next half term.

Spring Term INSET Day Reminder

The school will be closed for staff training on:

Monday 10th February 2025

Monday 24th February 2025

Friday 28th March 2025

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Community Messages...



#WarmWelcome is back for another winter season. Designed to tackle loneliness, bring communities together and provide a warm, safe place, you can enjoy many free events, warm drinks and snacks at your local library. From games and book clubs to support sessions, there's something for everyone. Find out more about the [#WarmWelcome initiative here](#).

STUBBINGTON STUDY CENTRE CLOSURE

The school has received notice that Hampshire County Council propose to close Stubbington Study Centre at the end of this school year. If you would like to share your views regarding the closure, please participate in the consultation process using the link below by 10th February:

[Consultation link](#)



From St James' Church

Thank you to those who gave generously to the Christmas collection at the nativity performances at St James' by the Park church. Almost £400 was raised to support Caraway (a Southampton charity working with people with dementia and their families) and the Peace Centre in the DRC (supporting women and children badly affected by tribal warfare).

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