



Shirley Infant School Weekly Communications

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Friday 27th September 2024

Head Teacher Message

Dear families,

We had a slight delay to our newly painted playground, but we are sure you will agree how fabulous it looks. Thank you for the lovely comments parents and children have shared with us already. We know there is a slight error on the welcome sign and the company are coming back to sort this for us. It was lovely to see so many families at the Year 2 curriculum evening. Thank you for the coming.



We would like to offer you a time to meet with our SEND Governor and Pupil Premium Governor for a meet and greet session. They would love to meet with you to hear your views around their areas of responsibility across the school. This session is a **new** date to the Yearly Calendar overview. It will take place on **Monday 7th October at 2:15pm to 3pm**. Please come and join them in the community room via the Juniors double gate.

We are looking forward to our school council and eco-council elections next week.



Messages:

HARVEST FESTIVAL



The Shirley Infant School Harvest Festival will be taking place on the morning of Thursday 3rd October. We will be joined by the 'Children and Families Team Leader' from St James' by the Park and will be singing our harvest songs to celebrate this seasonal event.

We would appreciate donations of dried and tinned food and toiletries, which will be given to the Basics Bank at Southampton City Mission (please do not donate any perishable products). Please bring food donations into school on WEDNESDAY 2nd October. These can be handed to your child's class teacher or alternatively put straight into a donations box in the office area. You can follow the link below to find out which food and toiletries are in particular demand.

<https://southamptoncitymission.co.uk/get-involved/how-to-donate>

Messages...

School Travel Policy 2025 – 2026

Please be advised that the School Travel Policy 2025-2026 consultation was launched on 9th September and Southampton City Council would like to hear your thoughts on the proposals and any impacts or alternative suggestions you would like them to consider.

All documents are available on the SCC website at:

www.southampton.gov.uk/schooltravelserviceconsultation

It is a 7-week consultation period that will end on Monday 28th October at 5pm.

2025/2026 Cohort Year R Open Mornings

We are holding open days for families that have a child starting in year R in September 2025.

Friday 11 October 2024 9:15am and 11:00am,

Saturday 12 October 2024 11:00am and 12:00pm.

Tuesday 15 October 2024 9:15am and 11:00am.

Wednesday 8 January 2025 9:15am

To book on to one of the sessions please click on the link below or visit the school website for more information. Please feel free to share this information with anyone you know who has a child due to start school in September 2025.

[Open Days for 2025 Year R Admissions - Shirley Infant School](#)

FOSIS News

INFANT SCHOOL CAKE SALE will be held on Monday 30th September.

Please see the FOSIS page of the Infant school website for more information

Diary Dates for FOSIS Events and Activities

Please see the attached poster

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Coming up in your year group...

Year R

Thursday 24th October – Celebration Event



Year 1

All In It Together Year 1 Curriculum Workshop, Monday 30th September 6-7pm – This will be a virtual session (Zoom link to be sent out on the day). We would like to invite you to attend our virtual workshop which will discuss how we will teach your children to read, write and apply their early maths skills. We will also discuss phonics and the Year one Government Phonics screen.

Wednesday 23rd October – Celebration Event



Year 2

Tuesday 15th October - Trip to Southampton Common (Information sheet has been sent to all parents).

Wednesday 16th October – Celebration Event



Recorder Lessons – Please see the attached letter

Weekly Attendance Whole School Attendance – 98.4 %



98.6%	98%	97%	98.6%	99.3%	96.3%	99.7%	99.7%	98.3%
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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