



Shirley Schools



Weekly Communication

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

Friday 25th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached to the school website the following letters;

- ♦ Junior Orchestra Letter
- ♦ Infant Parent Forum minutes

Please find the links to the letter pages on our websites

<https://www.shirleyinfantschool.org.uk/page/?title=Letters&pid=72>

<https://www.shirleyjuniorschool.org/page/?title=School+Letters&pid=39>

Dates for your Diary

Shirley Infant School

Shirley Junior School

March

Thursday 31st Year 2 SAT's Parents Information
Evening 6pm - Virtual
Thursday 31st Year 1 Phonic Workshop &
Celebration Event 9am - School Hall

April

Friday 1st FOSIS Non Uniform Day
Friday 1st FOSIS Escape room in a box night
Saturday 2nd FOSIS Tidy up Day
Thursday 7th Themed Menu Day
Friday 8th Pyjama Day - No donation
Friday 8th **School closes for Easter Holidays**

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 25th School re-opens for SUMMER 1

March

Wednesday 30th Arctic Lynx Swimming
Thursday 31st Year 3 Virtual Meeting for Sleepover

April

Friday 1st PTA Non Uniform Day
Friday 1st Careers Fair
Friday 1st PTA Escape room in a box night
Saturday 2nd PTA Tidy up Day
Wednesday 6th Arctic Lynx Swimming
Thursday 7th Themed Menu Day
Thursday 7th Year 3 Sleepover
Friday 8th PTA Cake Sale
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Coming soon

Jubilee Celebrations - 27th May

New Spring / Summer Menu - Starting 25th April 2022

Extra Inset day Tuesday 3rd May 2022—School closed to Pupils

Class Photo Day Thursday 5th May 2022

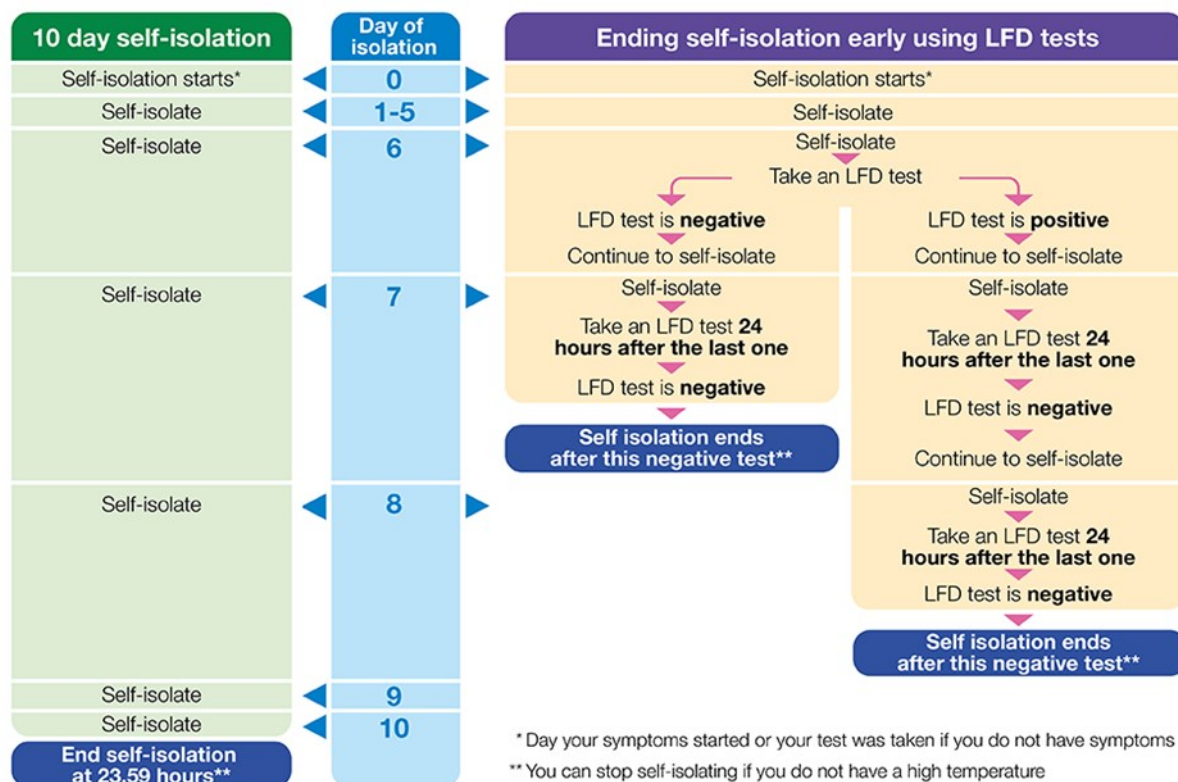
INFANTS & JUNIORS COVID UPDATE

Parent COVID Guidance – March 2022

We recognise the Government guidance has change but we would like to ask our parents and staff to continue to follow the recommended guidance in order to protect our community.

Anyone who develops 1 of the 3 main COVID-19 symptoms it is recommended that they stay at home and self-isolate and take a PCR test. They self-isolate if they get a positive test result for a minimum of 6 days, even if they have had a recent negative lateral flow test

Examples of when to end self-isolation if you have had COVID-19 symptoms or have received a positive COVID-19 test result



Lateral flow tests are taken by people who do not have COVID-19 symptoms.

If you choose to continue to use LF tests and your child tests positive, we recommend they isolate for at least 6 days

Other measures: The schools will continue to have a focus on hygiene and cleaning. It is no longer required that staff wear masks but they may do if they wish.

If children are off sick due to testing positive for COVID 19, there are lessons from the Hamwic Trust available on the link below, there is also TT Rockstarts, Reading Plus and Reading Planet.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-wLGwxq7mW2ngYNKAtjGTQ/videos>

MAGICAL PICNIC PARTY!



Chartwells
So much more than Fantastic Food

**Thursday
7th April**

MAINS

A selection of
scrumptious sandwiches
with your favourite fillings
Pizza whirl, potato wedges, carrot and
cucumber sticks and coleslaw

DESSERTS

Crunchy chocolate biscuit
Raspberry yoghurt cake



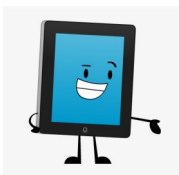
**DON'T FORGET! SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS
IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2.**

Infants Year 1 Celebration event and Phonics Meeting

On Thursday 31st March, we would like to invite you into the hall at 9.00am to share and celebrate the children's learning throughout our Victorian topic. (After drop off, please wait by the hall door next to the playground equipment and we will invite you into the hall). We will show a video of their learning journey and then after this we will discuss what will happen in the Phonics Screening check. This is a Phonics check all Year 1 children will complete in the summer term. This event will take approximately 40 minutes.

To help keep us all safe, please may we ask that you wear a mask and lateral flow in the morning. We are limiting the event to 1 parent member so there are not too many people in the hall. We will keep all windows and doors open to ensure there is good ventilation. For anyone who cannot attend, we will upload the slides to the school website and the video to google classroom. Any questions about the event please see Mrs Lubbock-Smith.

New devices - Infant School



We have some new computing devices arriving in school soon - we are really excited about these! If you have discovered any modern, fun, educational apps that are suitable for 4 - 7 year olds please do let us know and we will do our best to install them on the devices that the children can use in school.

Juniors Year 3 Virtual Meeting—Sleepover

There will be a Virtual Year 3 Meeting for Sleepover on Thursday 31st March at 16.30pm. This will inform parents of the arrangement for the sleepover, what to bring and the itinerary for the evening. It will be recorded and then added to the website. Link to follow.

FOSIS & PTA Non Uniform Day

Reminder for **Friday 1st April** we are having a Non Uniform Day organised by FOSIS and the PTA

Suggested donation £1
Cash donations in the buckets please at the school entrances on the day

**Non-uniform
day!**



LOST PROPERTY

We have a large number of **unnamed** Infant Jumpers and Cardigans in the lost property box as well as other items for both schools.

Please come and have a look

All these items will be disposed of on Friday 8th April



FOSIS/PTFA

UPCOMING EVENTS...



ESCAPE ROOM IN A BOX NIGHT - 1 APRIL 2022 Will your team be the first to solve the puzzle?

Fancy yourself as a bit of a detective? Enjoy solving clues against the clock? Then **our Locked in a Box** event is just the thing for you! A table-top escape room, plus other games on **Friday 1 April at 8pm** in the Junior School hall.

£30 per team to take part and max of five adults per team.
Cheeseboards available to order **for £10**.

Please bring your own snacks, drinks (and glasses) – no alcohol please. Tea, coffee and some snacks will be available to purchase on the night.

Book tickets here (£30 per table/team)

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fosis/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=45876&fbclid=IwAR3xJ-W5ZevgrgNz2Wijy_JF0f6zbmLdK_PgXPRh2Txu7YL6IDtTkk-u5MM#.Yh_tr9HP2UI

NON-UNIFORM DAY (INFANTS AND JUNIORS) – FRIDAY 1 APRIL

Suggested donation £1 - cash donations in the buckets please at the school entrances on the day, or if you'd prefer to donate online we'll share a link in the weekly comms next week.

TIDY UP DAY – SATURDAY 2 APRIL Bring the family, all ages welcome!



Can you spare a few hours to help spring clean the school grounds? Help us to give something back to the community and take pride in how wonderful our schools can look with just a little tidying help from many hands. Lots of jobs need doing, so the more the merrier. Just turn up on the day between **10am and 3pm**.

FREE TEA AND CAKE for all volunteers!!

SAVE THE DATE – JUNIOR CAKE SALE – FRIDAY 8 APRIL



Cake cakes and more cakes! Bring your pennies (and containers for your purchases!) to buy lots of fabulous cakes and raise money for our junior school - we'll be selling in the junior playground after school on Friday 8 April.

Cake donations (bought or baked, no nuts please) very gratefully received and can be taken to the office on the Friday morning or brought straight to the stall after school. Thank you

THANK YOU...



Thank you to everyone that helped out and came to the Silent Disco – it was a fab event and we raised £575 to be split between our schools.

A huge thank you also to our sponsors Southside AFC!

DON'T FORGET ...



Our school lottery raises money directly for the **Junior School**. Every week there is a guaranteed cash prize for someone from the school.

This prize money goes up the more tickets we sell.

You are also automatically entered into the national draw where you could win £25,000! The tickets cost just £1 each week.

Sign up here: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/shirley-junior-school>



If you are **shopping online**, please click on these links first. They then donate to the school at **NO EXTRA COST TO YOU**. Amazon =

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/>

Infants – choose Friends of Shirley Infant School

Juniors - choose Shirley Junior School PTA

Online shopping from bread to bathrooms, use Easyfundraising, sign up here:

STAY CONNECTED AND GET INVOLVED...

On Facebook through the private year groups – please remember that these groups are managed by parents and not run by the school:

Infants

Year 2 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/172919936937823>

Year 1 Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/849370902208557>

Year R Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/774368666506974>

Juniors

Parents of Year 6 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1601794303401012>

Parents of Year 5 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1716707195249069>

Parents of Year 4 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/649407131910961>

Parents of Year 3 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137311320449399>

Through your class reps (see list below) and WhatsApp groups:

Infants

Woodpeckers - Gayle Doulton and Jo James

Badgers - Tracey Ward and Natalie Formstone

Foxes - Katy Durston and Colette Thorp

Owls - Lisa Witt and Lisa Longhurst

Rabbits - Gemma Gore and Kerrie Read

Moles - Maria Dimech and Tabytha Greenhalgh

Hedgehogs - Sarah Willcocks and Gill McCann

Squirrels - Sarah Scott and Hilary Rebecca

Otters – Zoe Konn and Sarah Whicher

Juniors

A complete list of class reps for Juniors can be [found here](#)

Community Information

Parenting & community learning programmes as part of the 0-19 Early Help and Prevention service.








Understanding Behaviour The aim of this short workshop is to provide a safe, non-judgmental environment for parents to discuss & explore their children's behaviour. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand why our children behave the way they do Helps to empower parents to understand behaviour & feel motivated to respond in a more positive way 	Course information & how to book your place, including venue NVR (Non Violent Resistance) For parents/ carers with a child over 7 years of age who exhibits controlling or violent behaviours. This can include withdrawing from the relationship, isolating or hurting themselves as well as becoming outwardly angry and verbally and physically aggressive. The course may be especially helpful for families who have tried other parenting methods and find they need a different approach. The course will teach specific strategies using the concept of peaceful protest.		Emergency First Aid Gain confidence & learn how to deal with everyday lumps, bumps, bruises and accidents in the home.	Parent Leader Training This course offers parent/carers the opportunity to participate in an 11-week training programme enabling them to facilitate parenting programmes within the community on a voluntary basis. Successful applicants will receive certification from EPEC & an AQA accreditation. On-going training & development workshops will be offered.
Living With Teenagers This course is aimed at parents in Southampton who have one or more children between the ages of 11- 16 years . The course content includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managing risk Family meetings Exploring what it is like to be a teenager today Parental wellbeing Listening & communication Expressing & acknowledging feelings Discipline And lots more 	Project You After such a difficult year have you found yourself feeling lost? This course is a self-recovery journey using a range of activities to help you find you.		How To Book For further information please email or to book your place please complete & return a referral form to: eh&p.training@southampton.gov.uk Please state course title in subject bar	
Incredible Years For parent/carers of children aged 1-7 years Incredible Years Programme aims to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote positive parenting Support parent-child relationships Increase use of positive strategies to enhance children's positive behaviours, including play, praise and rewards 	Being A Parent For parent/carers of children aged 2-11 years . Learn practical communication skills to enable our children to be confident, happy and co-operative. Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discipline strategies Feelings Communication Understanding behaviour Valuing your children Non-directive play - special time 		Happy Baby Whether you are a new first time parent or want to update your knowledge then this course is perfect for you & your non-mobile baby! Learn useful tips on the best way to give your babies the very best start in life.	
Get Outside Make the most of learning in outside spaces with fun activities for you & your children (2yrs & over) Including stories, nature, crafts & more				
Venue Address Ashby Centre: Stratton Road, Shirley, SO15 5QZ Pickles Coppice Children's Centre: 65 Windermere Ave, SO16 9QX Redbridge Community School: Cuckmere Lane, SO16 9AW Sure Start Clovelly: 60-68 Clovelly Road, SO14 0AU Sure Start Townhill Park: Cutbush Lane, SO18 2GF Sure Start Thornhill: Byron Road, Thornhill, SO19 6FH Sure Start Swaythling: Honeysuckle Road, SO16 3BZ Sure Start Weston: Foxcott Close, SO19 9JQ				

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Sure Start



Citywide Parenting & Community Learning Programme Summer 2022		0-19 Early Help & Prevention		Sure Start Children's Centres Southampton	
Monday	Understanding Behaviour Ashby Centre 10am-2pm 4 th April No Crèche	Incredible Years Sure Start Townhill Park 9.30am-11.30am 25 th April-18 th July Not running Bank Holidays Free bookable crèche	Parent Group Leader Ashby Centre 9.30am-2.30am 25 th April-18 th July Not running Bank Holidays No crèche	Project You Pickles Coppice 12.30pm-2.30pm 25 th April-13 th June Not running Bank Holidays Free bookable crèche	Get Outside Pickles Coppice 12.30pm-2.30pm 20 th June-25 th July No Crèche:
Tuesday	Understanding Behaviour Sure Start Weston 9.30am-11.30am 26 th April & 3 rd May No Crèche		Happy Baby Sure Start Swaythling 10am-11.30am 26 th April-24 th May No Crèche		NVR Sure Start Weston 9.30am-12.30am 10 th May – 5 th July No Crèche
Wednesday	Emergency First Aid Sure Start Townhill Park 9.30am-11.30pm June date tbc Free bookable crèche			Living with Teenagers Redbridge School 6-8.30pm 11 th May-13 th July Not running in half term No Crèche	
Thursday	Emergency First Aid Sure Start Weston 9.30am-11.30pm 5 th May Free bookable crèche	Understanding Behaviour Sure Start Clovelly 10am-2pm 12 th May No Crèche		Being a Parent Sure Start Weston 9.30-11.30am 12 th May-14 th July Not running in half term Free bookable crèche	NVR Sure Start Swaythling 9.30am-12.30pm May 12 th -7 th July Not running in half term No Crèche
Friday			*For course information & how to book your place please see over page	All courses will be run in accordance with the current COVID Safe regulations & may be subject to change	

Referral for 0-19 Integrated Early Help & Prevention Parenting, Training & Community Learning Courses

Please complete and return form to eh&p.training@southampton.gov.uk stating course title in subject bar

Parents Name		Date of Birth	
Address		Tel Number	
		Parents Email Address	
Child's Name		Child's Date Of Birth	
Referral By		Agency	
		Email Address	
Date completed		Tel Number	
Learning History - please provide highest level qualification achieved (i.e. Level 2/GCSE 5 A-C)			
<p align="center">Privacy Notice</p> <p>Southampton City Council is collecting this information in order to perform this service or function, and if further information is needed in order to do so, you may be contacted using the details provided. In performing this service, the Council may be required to share your information with other organisations or departments, but it will only do so when it is necessary in order for the service to be provided.</p> <p>The Council may also share personal information for the purposes of the prevention, investigation, detection, or prosecution of criminal offences, but will not share personal information, or use it for this, or any other purpose, unless provided for by law.</p> <p>More detailed information about the Council's handling of your personal data can be found in its privacy policy, available online (http://www.southampton.gov.uk/privacy), or on request.</p>			
Briefly outline support required			
Parents Consent			
Course Interest		Please enter the details of the advertised course you are referring this parent/family too.	
Course Name:		Course Start Date:	

Course Venue:

Course Start Time:

Do you require crèche places? Please provide details.

Child's name

Date of birth

Child's name

Date of birth

Courses will be provided with crèche where possible.

PLEASE NOTE: Filling in this form will **NOT** guarantee a place on this course, a member of the team will contact you and the learner to confirm their place prior to the start of the course.

Additional needs / alerts / access
requirementsFOR EARLY HELP HUB
COMPLETION ONLY

Date received

Decision (Y/N)

Name of person receiving referral

Course booked on

Course details

Informed referrer /allocated social worker or family
engagement worker (Y/N & date)

Summary of course outcome monitoring - evaluation / attendance / level of engagement / etc.

More than 1,000 free places on weight loss programmes available for Southampton residents

For anyone who is looking to kickstart their health, help is at hand, with over 1,000 free places on weight loss programmes up for grabs for Southampton residents, from partners the Saints Foundation (Saints Goal), Slimming World, ShapeUp4Life, and the Community Wellbeing Team, all funded by Southampton City Council. But be quick because sign-up for free Southampton City Council funded places will close on **31 March 2022**.

The 12-week programmes include support with eating well, getting more active, and general health, with different options available to suit you – whether that's in-person or remote, 1 to 1 or in groups.

For more information, tips and to sign up, [click here](#).

Walk-In Clinics

1st, 2nd and booster COVID-19 jabs are available at the following vaccination walk-in clinics next week:

Date	Location	Time
Friday 25 March	St Mary's Fire Station, SO14 0DB	1pm – 8pm
Saturday 26 March	Mercy Revival Church, Shirley, SO15 5PQ	9am – 5pm
	Marlands Shopping Centre, old Shoe Zone store	10:30am – 6:30pm
Sunday 27 March	Marlands Shopping Centre, old Shoe Zone store	10:30am – 6:30pm
Every Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (until further notice)	Boots West Quay Retail Park	9:30am – 5:30pm (closed 1pm – 2:30pm for lunch)
Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday	Oakley Road, SO16 4GX	8am – 8pm

Everyone is welcome, bring your family and friends along. Jabs 12+. Pfizer only.

No GP? No NHS number? No problem.

Your health matters, not you / your family's immigration status.

Got a question?

Pop along to a walk-in clinic and ask the friendly NHS staff or **call 0300 561 0018**.

If you have already booked your jab using the [NHS national booking service](#)

Bluestar helps ease fuel pump costs with half price weekly ticket

Bluestar are offering local car drivers the chance to try its services for half the cost of regular, weekly tickets via the app until **4 April 2022**. This gives drivers the chance to avoid rising fuel costs by switching to the bus.

As fuel prices are creeping towards £2 per litre, many road users are reconsidering their travel options. Local bus operator, Bluestar is encouraging everyone to embrace going green by using public transport. Bluestar buses use low emission Euro 6 engines and one full double decker bus

If you choose to travel by bus, for your first week Bluestar are offering a standard seven-day ticket for half price, costing you just £5 when using the Bluestar app for the first time. This will allow you to travel in any zone as often as you like.

Make sure you use discount code **"FUEL"**.

For more information, [please visit the Bluestar website](#).



FREE*

*Children receiving free eligible school meals.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

A YEAR OF DISCOVERY

  
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FREE* spaces available for free
school meal eligible children aged
4-16 years across Southampton!

Children receiving free eligible school meals.

SCANTOBOOK



To book scan the QR code or visit www.southampton.gov.uk/haf



2023



The Highway Code: update to rules on using mobile phones

From today (25 March), rules in The Highway Code are coming into force to make any hand-held use of a mobile phone while driving illegal, except in limited circumstances.

The changes were supported by 80% of respondents in a public consultation in 2021.

This means you must not use a device in your hand for any reason, whether online or offline. The law applies to you if you're:

- supervising a learner driver
- stopped at traffic lights
- queuing in traffic
- driving a car that turns the engine off when you stop moving
- holding and using a device that's offline or in flight mode

There are exceptions, such as if you need to call 999 or 112 in an emergency or making a contactless payment in a vehicle that is not moving.

[You can find the full rules on using a phone, sat nav or another device when driving on GOV.UK](#)

The government's award-winning THINK! team will launch an [awareness campaign](#) today to remind drivers not to use a hand-held phone at the wheel and the penalties of choosing to ignore this new law.

Why staying up to date is important

It's important that everyone – not just learner drivers – understand their responsibility for the safety of other road users.

Many of the rules in the code are legal requirements, and if you disobey these rules you're committing a criminal offence.

If you do not follow the other rules in the code, it can be used in evidence in court proceedings to establish liability.

How to stay up to date

The full version of [The Highway Code is available, free of charge, on GOV.UK.](#)