

Shirley Infant School Weekly Communications

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Friday 22nd November 2024

Head Teacher Message

Dear families,

We have had a busy few weeks in school. Year 2 had a wonderful experience visiting the Titanic Museum. They have taken many facts and our beginning to build on their knowledge of this historic event. They have loved being Historians so far.

Year 1 had a fabulous experience with Zoolab. Thy have been applying this knowledge to their learning about classification and been super scientists.

Year R have had lots of different pets brought in to school so the children could ask key questions about how their owners look after them and what they need. Their scientific questions have been spectacular.

We had such an amazing community event over Bonfire Weekend with the FOSIS firework display. We would like to thank everyone who supported this event especially the volunteers behind the scenes. This is always a phenomenal event in so many ways and we are so grateful for this. A massive thank you to Shirley Market for the Fireworks, Mike for setting off the fireworks and Mr Goddard and Mr Stewart supporting him.

Messages:

Infant Christmas Nativity – Class Costumes

Please see the attached individual class letters on what your child will need to wear for the performance.



Infants Christmas Nativity – Ticket Information

Please see the attached letter regarding all the information you require for this years Christmas nativity.

Scooters and Bikes

Recently there has been an increase in adults and children riding bikes and scooters on school grounds, Please ensure that you and any children with you dismount your bike or scooter at the school gate and wheel them across the playground. Thank you for support in ensuring the safety of the school community.



Coming up in your year group...

Year R

Celebration Event – This will be our class parts in the whole school Christmas Production

Parent Feedback

Thank you for bearing with us whilst we fixed the access issue. We would like to keep this open a another week take this opportunity to find out how you, as parents, have settled into school life, now that you have completed the first half of the winter term. If you could take a moment to complete the link below we look forward to reading your feedback. Year R Parent Feedback Form

Monday 16th December - Christmas Party - Children can wear Christmas jumpers all day.



Year 1

Celebration Event – This will be our class parts in the whole school Christmas Production **'Dojo' reward system** to promote our school values of kindness, integrity and respect. The children are awarded dojo's by members of staff when they see the children displaying these values around the school. Examples of this could be: showing respect to adults and their peers by stopping to listen to them or following their instructions straight away, showing kindness to a friend by helping them on the playground, showing integrity by following the class charter. The children are awarded dojo's each week from Monday to Friday. Each Friday, the child with the most dojo points gets given a 'special choose' to complete with a friend for 15 minutes. The classes voted and chose from either a hot chocolate, some iPad time, football or a mini disco.



Thursday 19th December – Christmas Party – Children can wear Christmas jumpers all day.

Year 2

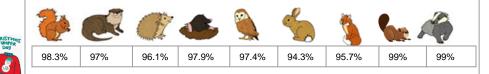
Monday 25th November - Titanic Experience day - See Curriculum Letter

Friday 13th December – Year 2 Theatre Trip to Winchester Royal Theatre to see Mother Goose

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Weekly Attendance Whole School Attendance – 97.2%



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

Community Messages...

Introducing the 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, <u>click here</u> 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 <u>fosis@shirleyschools.co.uk</u> We're also working on advertising opportunities for local businesses, so watch this space for more info!

Peanut Allergy

Please see the attached letter regarding the recent investigation into contamination of mustard products with peanuts.

Can all parents that have a child with a peanut allergy please log into Schoolgrid to confirm their allergen settings. Please click on the following link to access Schoolgrid: <u>SchoolGrid</u>

Infant Choir Performance – Richard Taunton College Please see the attached letter.

Park-run 5

Well done to all the children and volunteers who took part this week. We managed to miss the rain. Congratulations to Chloe in Hedgehogs who ran an impressive 5 laps and will earn her t-shirt.

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. Wednesday 8 January 2025 9:15am

book on to the last session by clicking 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.

NHS Solent

Open Days for 2025 Year R Admissions - Shirley Infant School

Next week at Re:Minds...

25th-29th November 2024



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Community Messages...

Parenting Programme



You're invited to our upcoming workshop on...

INTRODUCTION TO ANXIETY IN CHILDREN

The Mental Health in Schools Team are an NHS service who work in schools across Southampton.

Our workshops are informal, non-judgemental, spaces where you can find out more about the topic, take away some practical tips, and meet other parents/carers in similar situations.

All children experience anxiety but for some children this can start to impact their wellbeing.

It can be difficult for parents/care givers to know how best to support children to overcome challenges.

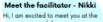
This workshop is for parents and caregivers to understand more about what anxiety is and learn some tools which help with managing anxiety.



Tuesday 26th November

1:45 arrival - 2-3pm workshop. Shirley Infant and Junior School.

Please email Karen Allen so that we have a rough idea of numbers. karen.allen@shirleyschools.co.uk







facing challenges related to attention, hyperactivity, and impulsivity, which are often associated with ADHD.

Family Hub

Honevsuckle 6 January - 10 February 12.30 - 2.30pm

Seashell

9 30 - 11 30am Clovelly

27 February - 3 April 12.30 - 2.30pm

Cutbush

25 February - 1 April

Pickles Coppice 28 February - 4 April 9.30 - 11.30am

Pickles Coppice 24 February - 31 March 12.30 - 2.30pm

To book your place visit: soton.cc/familyhub-parentingreferral. For more information please contact: familyhub@southampton.gov.uk

Please note this course can be in high demand. Other courses such as Understanding Behaviour or Being a Parent, can support all families with understanding behaviours and practical communication skills.

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Family Hub locations are available online at:

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Alternatively scan the QR code with the camera

soton.cc/family-hub-locations.

of a phone.



10 January - 14 February

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Healthcare

Community Messages...

Christmas Family Disco tickets on sale now!

Featuring professional party entertainment from Tibykidz, a cafe and festive shop It will be a great night, book early to grab your spot! Our early disco has sold out but still lots of tickets for the 7pm slot. All children need to

be supervised by an adult - 1 adult can supervise up to 5 kids!

Book your tickets at: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fosis/



We are excited to share our Winter Clearance Sale with your school community! Families can save up to 40% on essential plain school uniform items – a perfect opportunity to stock up on quality, affordable winter wear.

Access the sale here: myclothing.com/collections/clearancecollection

PTFA AND FOSIS CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING NIGHT

Friday 6th December from 7.30pm Shirley Junior School Hall

Join us for a relaxed evening of craft to make a gorgeous wreath to take home. All materials, a drink and a homemade sweet treat included for just £20 per person.



Book tickets now using the QR code



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