



# Shirley Infant School

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### DIARY DATES



#### FEBRUARY

<b>Monday 24th</b>	<b>School re-opens at 8:45am for SPRING 2</b>
Monday 24th	Year 2 Fire of London Workshop in School
Monday 24th	Parent Corner, <b>every Monday</b> 8:30 to 9:30am
Tuesday 25th	Year 1 Manor Farm Trip
Tuesday 25th	Year 1 Home Learning due
Tuesday 25th	Year R Mill Cottage Farm Experience in School

#### MARCH

Thursday 5th	World Book Day - Come dressed in PJ's
<b>Monday 9th</b>	<b>INSET DAY - School closed for Pupils</b>
Tuesday 10th	Year 1 Victorian Dress Up Day
Friday 13th	FOSIS Silent Disco
Friday 20th	Year 2 Home Learning Due
Friday 20th	Bags2School Collection
Friday 20th	Last Karate After School Club
Tuesday 24th	Last Ninja Warriors & Art Club
Tuesday 24th	Parents Evening 4-7pm
Wednesday 25th	Last Lego & Cooking After School Club
Thursday 26th	Last Magic After School Club
Thursday 26th	Parents Evening 4-7pm
Saturday 28th	FOSIS Colour Fun Run
Monday 30th	Badger Dance in Hall at 2:50pm
Monday 30th	Last Football & Street Dance After School Club
Tuesday 31st	Fox Dance in Hall at 2:50pm

#### APRIL

Wednesday 1st	Year R Celebration Event in classrooms at 2:50pm
Wednesday 1st	Year 1 Celebration Event in classrooms at 2:50pm
Wednesday 1st	Woodpecker Dance in Hall at 2:50pm
Friday 3rd	Year 1 Cake Sale at 3:10pm
<b>Friday 3rd</b>	<b>School closes at 3.10pm for Easter Holidays</b>
<b>Monday 20th</b>	<b>School opens 8.45am for Summer 1</b>
Tuesday 21st	Year 1 Shirley Trip

We have had such a fabulous half term back at school.

School Council have been super busy designing our new foundation subject logo's for the Shirley Schools. The whole school is very excited about this to support our systemic approach from our Year R to 6 sequence of learning across the schools.



On Tuesday, the children have consolidated their learning about e-safety through our safer internet day. This day is incorporated into our e-safety curriculum teaching. There is lots of support out there for parents with ensuring e-safety within the home. We would like to raise with you that we are having lots of children talking about films that have very adult ratings. Please ensure you are checking your parental settings and films with adult ratings are not sneaking through. It is very frightening for our children to hear about the content of some of these films and we would greatly appreciate your support in this area. It is not fair on the other children to be hearing these discussions.

Within their circle times and as part of our curriculum the children have been encouraged to share with you if they see something and it worries them that may have got through your firewalls. Please have this discussion at home with your little ones too.

We hope you enjoyed looking at your child's books last week in our morning drop in's. It is fabulous to look at their books and see the progress they have made since September. By looking in their books you will be able to see the areas they are finding tricky at the moment and the targets they have met already. Well done Shirley Infants we are so proud of you all!

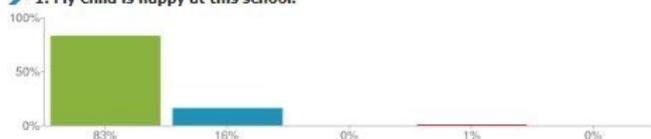
We look forward to seeing you at some of our community events next half term. Keep an eye on FOSIS newsletters.

**Your Shirley Infant Team**



This year we would like to share with you the Ofsted Parent View results as our parent questionnaire for the academic year.

#### 1. My child is happy at this school.



Figures based on 105 responses up to 15-10-2019

We were very proud to share these results with our Ofsted Inspector. 99% of those who responded to the survey said that their child was happy at our school. This is incredible feedback and has made us all happy that the children are happy.



## WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

We would like to remind all parents that we are a nut free school. We would ask all parents to please consider carefully what is being placed in your little ones lunchboxes. This includes ensuring sandwiches do not contain peanut butter or chocolate spread. In line with our lunchbox policy in your parent handbooks children should not be having large chocolate bars, however please do not send children in with small bars containing nuts either.

We really do appreciate your cooperation with this to ensure we keep all of our children, staff and community safe!



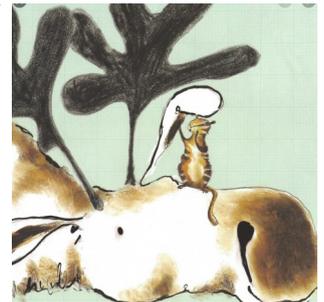
## Learning quote of the month:

### 'Brains can change.'

Every time you do something brave or think something strong, brave thoughts (I'm ok - I can do this!), you are strengthening that part of your brain that helps with brave behaviour.

Every time you take strong deep breaths, you are teaching you brain how to help you feel calm.

You are *powerful.*

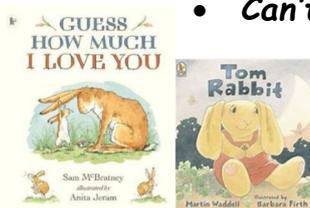


## PSHE Next half term is: GOOD TO BE ME

Within this topic we will be helping the children to learn about and understand the key aspect of motivation and self-awareness. It gives an important opportunity for all children's abilities, qualities and strengths to be valued (UNICEF, Article 2). The focus allows the children to reflect on themselves as individuals, particularly their strengths as learners and how they learn most effectively (UNICEF, Article 6). We focus on taking responsibility and building feelings of confidence and self-awareness; feeling good about themselves. Goal directed behaviour is only valuable if we are able to make wise and balanced choices about our goals (UNICEF, Article 12). This builds on from our work in the 'Going For Goals' topic. Their learning in this area is all embedded within age appropriate activities and discussions.

There are some lovely books which you could read at home with your child to support this theme. These are:

- *Guess How Much I Love You* by Sam McBratney
- *Can't You Sleep Little Bear* by Martin Waddell
  - *Tom Rabbit* by Martin Waddell
  - *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman



## WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CURRENTLY 97.5%

