



Shirley Infants

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.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached to the school website the following;

- New Online Payment system Letter
- Parent Lockdown Survey Leaflet
- Reading Week Letter
- Returning to school Letter
- Returning to School Booklet

KEEPING US INFORMED

Please could we ask all parents to inform the school if anyone in the household is going for a coronavirus test or is self-isolating as another family member in the household has tested positive.

Dates for your Diary

MARCH

Thursday 4th	World Book Day - Masked reader
Friday 12th	INSET DAY CANCELLED (rescheduled date below)
Thursday 25th	Parent Forum
Wednesday 31st	Bags2School
Thursday 1st April	INSET DAY—School closed to pupils

Please remember to be considerate of others when lining up in the queue



Please remember to wear a mask where possible unless you have a medical condition which exempts you.

INSET DAY

As all children will now return to school on Monday 8th March as per government guidance, the INSET day on Friday 12th March will now move to Thursday 1st April 2021. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

The BIG Lockdown-Learning Parent Survey.

Please find attached to our website a leaflet for more information and should you wish to take part you just need to download the Parent Ping app.

https://parentping.co.uk/biglockdown_resources/

Road Closure from 8th March

When children return to school on the 8th March, we will be reinstating the Road Closure on Wilton Road therefore we need volunteers for this. If you are able to help please contact Sarah Horsfall on sarah.horsfall@shirleyschools.co.uk

Weekly Communication—IMPORTANT NEWS

As of the week beginning the 8th March when all children return to school we will be sending out our weekly communication via parents email addresses, this will be sent as an attachment and also available on the schools website. Please ensure we hold a current email address in order for you to receive this.

MARVELLOUS ME

Techers will continue to use Marvellous Me for communications / rewards / updates etc

Reading Week

Next week is reading week. On Thursday, your child can dress up as their favourite book character. During the LIVE 12.00 session, they can give clues about who they have chosen to dress up as. Please see the attached letter for more information about the fun activities planned for next week.

Home Resource Packs

All school equipment borrowed during school closure must be brought back next week by Thursday 4th March. This is to allow teachers time to ensure all the resources are ready for the children on their return the following week. This includes whiteboard/pencil/ sound mat/ word bank etc. There will be a year group box outside the school office for you to drop it in- to. Please put the resources in a named envelope/ zippy wallet so that we can monitor what equipment has been returned.

Thank you in advance

LAPTOPS / IPADS/ DONGLES BORROWED FOR HOME LEARNING

If your child borrow a school laptop/ipad/dongle for online learning during lockdown, these **MUST** be returned to a member of the school office team so they can be signed as received no later than **Monday 8th March 2021**.

Extra Layers of clothing

When the children return to school on the 8th March it will still be necessary for good ventilation in the classrooms, therefore if you wish your child to wear extra layers underneath their uniform such as long sleeved tops etc then please do so.


READING PLANET

Here are this week's results - Congratulations to Badger Class who have the most logins

3 rd Place	
2 nd Place	
1 st Place	

WORLD BOOK DAY COMPETITION!!!!

Design a book cover



Choose your favorite book and design a front cover for it!

Thursday 4th march 2021

Entries can be emailed to fosis@shirleyschool.co.uk or handed in to 55 Darlington gardens or 80 St James road

The winners, 1 per year group, will chose books for the school library and win a small prize.

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Don't forget to look at our Community Information page also in the letters section for what's happening in Southampton on our website.

<http://www.shirleyinfantschool.org.uk/page/default.asp?pid=82>

Community Information



Interested in fostering? Call our recruitment line on 0800 5 191818
southampton.gov.uk/fostering

Virtual Fostering Information Event

Saturday 6th March 2021, 10.30am - 12 noon

From 1st to 7th March 2021, Southampton City Council is proud to be supporting New Family Social's 'LGBT+ Fostering & Adoption Week'. New Family Social is a UK charity, led by LGBT+ adopters and foster carers, whose aim is to help LGBT+ people decide if adoption or fostering is right for them, and then support them on their journey to becoming parents and carers.

We are looking to grow our team of foster carers in order to ensure a diverse choice and match of placements is available for children and young people who have come into the care of the Local Authority.

To find out more, join our Virtual Fostering Information Event on Saturday 6th March 2021, 10.30am-12, via TEAMS. Meet the Fostering Team, hear from a foster carer, find out about the assessment process, and have all your questions answered! All are welcome. Make a difference to a child's life - find out more and register by calling 0800 5 191818 or email fostering@southampton.gov.uk

In order to improve outcomes for the children in our care, please help us to promote this event by sharing with your networks so we may increase the numbers of foster carers in our fostering community, and ensure successful placement matching based on skills and experience.



SoCo Music Project and NMDU present Under 16s Talent Development Programme

SoCo Music Project has launched a new programme of talent development for young people aged 16 and under in Southampton.

The Under 16 Talent Development Programme (U16TDP) will build on the success of the recent Sounds of Southampton album project that supported 24 emerging artists in the city. U16TDP will support the next generation of young aspiring Rap, Hip-Hop, Trap and R&B artists to get the support they need to reach the next level.

Young people signed up to the programme will be able to access a range of activities to support their musical progression, including masterclasses, mentoring and recording opportunities.

<http://www.nmdu.uk/>

FOSIS

Uniform sale

Lockdown makes kids grow faster I think!!

We will be having a uniform sale next Tuesday at 7pm on Facebook. Here is a link to the event.

<https://fb.me/e/1ceeoXJIO>

Fairy Door Hunt

Wouldn't it be lovely to have Fairy Doors pop up around our local streets!

We would love to encourage children from Shirley Infant School to decorate one and put it outside their homes for others to enjoy.

We have some fairy doors and kits for sale here. <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fosis/index.cfm?event=shop#.YBxoUej7Q2w>

If you would like to do one yourself or already have one that would be lovely too. We are producing a virtual map where the doors are and to appear on it just email fosis@shirleyschools.co.uk

Date for your diary

Bags2school Thursday 31st March – details to follow...

Keep up to date with everything going with our **facebook pages**

Year 2 Face book group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137311320449399>

year 1 Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/172919936937823>

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

At the end of this Academic year both the co-chairs, the treasurer and the secretary will be stepping down. We would love to talk to anyone interested in taking over our roles. Please contact us on the above email so we talk you through what the roles look like. I have thoroughly enjoyed the 2 years I have done this.