



# Shirley Infant School Weekly Communications

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**Friday 22nd September 2023**

## Head Teacher Message:



We have had a blustery week this week with the weather affecting many things. We are delighted that it did not stop our new lodge 'Acorn Class' being installed. We are so grateful to our families who have worked so hard and donated your pennies over the last 3 years to enable us to purchase this resource! We are so grateful to Kass for supporting myself and Mrs Watts in our vision to have an outside classroom. Kass has worked tirelessly to find us an alternative when the school could no longer afford the full provision for this space we wanted. However we honestly could not be more pleased with the end result. I am sure you will all agree it will be an asset improving the children with further enrichment experiences in this space. Listen out for the signing, music and meditation hums as you walk past. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

## Whole School Dates:

Thu 5/10/23 – Family session school photos 3:30 - 5:30pm

Thu 5/10/23 – Harvest Festival (letter attached)

Thu 5/10/23 – Special School Dinner Menu – SPACE DAY

Fri 6/10/23 – Infant school only photos (AM)

Mon 23/10/23 – School closed for Half Term Break

Mon 30/10/23 – School reopens for Autumn 2

## Messages:

No nuts, thank you! As there are children within the school with allergies, please do not pack nuts or food containing nuts in lunchboxes. This includes whole nuts, some chocolate spreads, nut butters and some cereal bars.

## Coming soon:

- Parent Evening Information – Autumn 2



# Coming up in your year group...

## Year R



**Life Long Ago Workshop – Wednesday 27 September** – please remember to bring a pack lunch or order a packed lunch for our picnic.

**Curriculum evening Monday 2 October at 6:00pm – 7:30pm this is a face to face meeting.** Please remember sign up on your child's class door at pick up or call us to confirm your attendance.

## Year 2



**Year 2 Recorder Lessons – starting 29<sup>th</sup> September**  
Please see letter from Mrs Clark attached

**Trip to the Common – rescheduled for Wednesday 11th October**  
We were very sorry to have cancelled this trip. It has been rearranged for Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October am. If you can still help please let the office know

**Curriculum evening Wednesday 18th October at 6:00pm – 7pm. This is a virtual meeting and we will send the link on the day.**

## Year 1

**Curriculum evening Monday 9th October at 6pm – 7pm. This is a virtual meeting and we will send the link on the day.**

This half term, Year 1 are exploring a range of materials in Science. If you have any of the following materials, they would be gratefully received: kitchen roll tubes, cardboard boxes, card. Please no egg boxes or toilet roll tubes.

## Year 1 Reading

Further to the reading letter being sent home today, your child will bring home a login for our eBook library. Currently, we do not always have enough books to run the programme in school and send them home, we are working very hard to be able to purchase additional books shortly. In the meantime, we are going to utilise Collins eBooks. I understand people have mixed opinions on reading on a screen but we would really appreciate your support while we are securing funding for additional books in school.

If you have any queries or questions please email the office for the attention of Mrs Watts.

# Other school news...

## Weekly Attendance



Whole School Attendance – 97.9%



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If your child is not in school we miss them greatly and will call to see how you all are.

The school's Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

DSL: Mrs C Gregory

Deputy DSL: Mrs L Watts

## FOSIS Dates

Wednesday 27 September – FOSIS/PTFA Bag2School

Thursday 12 October – FOSIS AGM (7.30pm Infant Hall)

Friday 20 October – FOSIS/PTFA Crazy Hair Day

Friday 3 November – FOSIS/PTFA Fireworks Event

<https://www.myfamilycoach.com/>

A useful website with expert support for every parenting challenge  
(recommended by Mrs Allen, our family support worker)

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