

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome all of our children back to school this week after the Easter break. The school has been full of smiles, energy, and excitement as we began our new term together. As always, we started the term with a Reset Day, giving every class time to reconnect, reflect, and refocus. Throughout the day, children took part in activities designed to build self-esteem, celebrate their individual strengths, and strengthen their sense of belonging within their class community. We also spent time learning about the window of tolerance and how understanding and regulating our emotions helps us to feel ready to learn and thrive in school.

It has been a fantastic week and a really positive way to kick-

start the term 🌟 **Best Wishes,** **Mrs Davie**

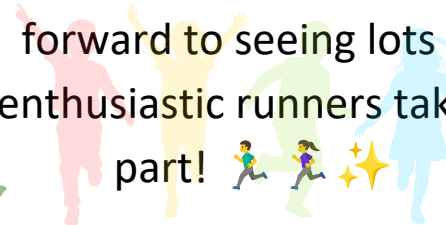
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School Community News

Lower School Cross Country Championship – Years 3 & 4

The Lower School Cross Country Championship is taking place today at 4 o'clock at the Sports Centre.

Mr Tough is looking forward to seeing lots of enthusiastic runners taking part! 🏃🏃🏃🏃🌟



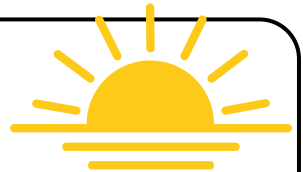
School Community Messages

Polite Morning Reminder

We would like to remind parents and carers that the school gates open at 8:40am each morning. Please can we kindly ask that parents wait on the pavement until the playground gates are opened and ensure that children are supervised at all times while waiting.

We would also like to remind families that, if any issues or concerns arise, please do not address these directly with other children. Instead, we ask that you let a member of school staff know so that we can support appropriately.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and continued support in helping us keep our school environment safe and welcoming for everyone.



Upcoming Events

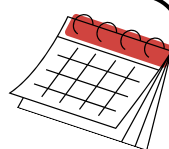
22nd April - Year 5 and 6 football after school - see letter.

25th April - Colour Run

26th April - Junior Parkrun - SJS takeover

28th April - Share My Learning after school 3:20

30th April - Year 5 River Hamble trip



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School Community Messages

Coming Up Soon – Community Tidy Up Day & our Schools Colour Run!

We have two exciting community events on the horizon. Today on the **17th April**, families are invited to join us after school for our first Tidy Up Day, helping to spruce up the infant school grounds. Just bring any gardening tools you have and a willing pair of hands!

Then on **25th April**, the ever-popular Shirley Schools Colour Run returns — a fun-filled run, walk or jog through bubbles, colour and Unicorn Alley, complete with medals, refreshments and activities. Volunteers are also needed to help make the event a success.

★ More information can be found later in the newsletter.



A Huge Thank You to Our Incredible PTFA!

We would like to say a massive thank you to our wonderful PTFA and to everyone who has attended, supported, and got involved in the many PTFA fundraising events throughout this year. Your time, energy, and generosity make such a difference to our school community. Over the Easter break, our amazing PTFA funded the installation of a brand-new lighting system in our school hall.

Combined with our new stage and sound system, this means we are now fully set and ready for our Year 6 production this year — and for many exciting performances and events in the years to come! In addition to this, the PTFA have also purchased class sets of our new reading texts for every year group, ensuring that all pupils across the school benefit from high-quality resources to support their learning. From all the staff and pupils at SJS, thank you so much for everything you do and for the incredible support you give our school. We truly couldn't do this without you — your generosity helps create opportunities and experiences our children will remember for years to come.

Thank you once again for everything you do! ★ 🙌

