



Shiphay Learning Academy Newsletter

1st September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the Autumn Term 2025! We hope you've had a wonderful Summer break and look forward to welcoming all of you back to Shiphay for the start of the new academic year on Thursday 4th September.

A special welcome to all the new children and families who are joining us. We are very excited to welcome you to the Shiphay family.

This year, we are delighted to welcome Mr Sam Ellis to the Year 5 team as Elm Class Teacher. We are also pleased to welcome back Miss Lucy Newell who returns to Year 3 as Heron Class Teacher.

On Thursday, gates open at 8:35am as usual with registration at 8:45am. For Reception parents, registration is extended until 9am on Thursday to allow a calmer start and time for those all important first day photos!

As you can see from the dates pages in this newsletter, the Autumn Term looks set to be another busy one with lots of learning and enrichment opportunities for the children. The premises team have been busy decorating inside school and teaching colleagues have created engaging, welcoming learning environments so everything is set for a great start to the new academic year.

The PE timetable is being finalised so no need for PE kits as yet. Class teachers will let you know via Seesaw which days kit is needed.

This letter includes some key reminders, important dates and information to help ensure a smooth and successful start to the term.

See you all on Thursday!

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Attendance last year

95.6%

(Nationally 94.5%)

This was very close to our 96% target. Let's keep it up!

If your child's attendance is less than 95%, their learning will be affected by their absence.

[Should I keep my child off school poster?](#)

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

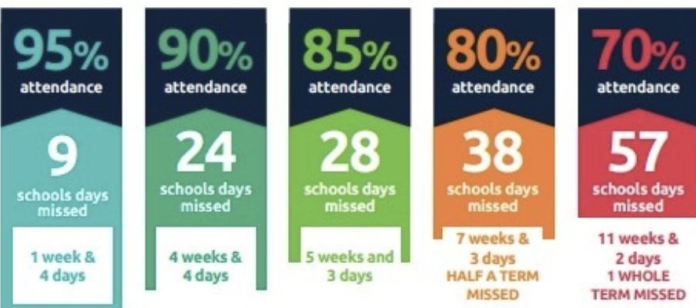


Pre-Loved Uniform Shop

If your children have grown out of uniform items, we would be very grateful to receive them for the pre-loved shop. We need : logo polo shirts, logo sweatshirts/jackets, school trousers/shorts/skirts/skorts, Summer Dresses and PE tops and plain black shorts Please bring donations to the office anytime. Thank you for your support.

If you need any items ready for the new term, please pop into school between 2pm and 4pm on Tuesday or Wednesday. The pre-loved uniform boxes are in the office area for you to take what you need. If you are able to give a donation, we would be grateful. Pupil Council spend your donations on improving our school environment.

Every day in school counts...



Be ready, be respectful, be safe

OUR 3 GOLDEN RULES

Important Information

How does the newsletter work?

The newsletter is published 2 or 3 times a half term. It is always structured in the same way:

- Front page - attendance, head of school message
- Important Information page/s - this is where we will share any important messages or updates
- Important dates - dates for this term
- Online safety update - this has new information each time
- Standing information - menu, term dates, uniform etc
- Posters and information about events that we have been asked to share with you - these are from 3rd party organisations

If you have anything that you would like to share, please email me (klee@rivieraet.co.uk). I would especially like to be able to celebrate pupils' achievements and successes from outside school.

Ordering lunches: At the time of writing we are still facing some issues with the transition from Fresha to Caterlink. The Finance team, Admin team and Caterlink teams have been working on this all Summer and I think we are nearly there.

Free School Meals for Y1 and Y2: At the moment there is an issue whereby the system is trying to charge for Y1 and Y2 meals but these should be free. Please don't book until we give the go ahead to do so.

Allergy Menus: these have now been finalised and will be sent out to individual parents on Tuesday. If your child has an allergy, they will have a specific menu to order from. Please wait until you have been sent the information.

New Reception pupils: please use the Google Form that has been sent out. You will use this until you have been set up on the system. We are unable to do this until your child attends school and registers on their first day.

Once the gremlins in the system have been ironed out, booking for lunches will be through Parent Pay as usual. Please can we remind parents that ordering closing at 8am each day so please ensure that you have ordered ahead of time. Where children have not had a lunch ordered for them, it is not always possible to make sure they have their lunch of choice.

Volunteering in School:

We love having parent, grandparent or other family volunteers in school! It is great to be able to benefit from the huge range of expertise that is in our community and the children really benefit from the support our volunteers give. You don't have to have any experience, just the desire to make a difference for our children. If you're interested, please register your interest by completing [this form](#) and we will be in touch. Thank you!



Permission to walk home (Y4-Y6)

[Please click this link](#)

The Google Form was sent out last week. If you would like your child to leave the playground / field without waiting to be collected by an adult, we must have your permission on this form. Without your permission, we will ask them to wait with their teacher until an adult comes to collect them.



Important Information

Medical Information: Please notify us of any updates or changes to your child's medical needs. Any medication that needs to be kept at school should be brought to the school office on the first day back at school and a medical permissions form completed (even if you did one of these last year). Please be mindful that all medication bought into school needs to be in date and a replacement provided when it expires.



Inhalers: If your child requires an inhaler, please ensure that this is sent into school so it can be stored in their class medical box. Please also visit the Office to complete a green medical permissions form for their inhaler as we are required to have a new form each September.



The Hub - change of location for After School Hub: from Thursday, After School Hub will be based in the former Skylark classroom (sliding doors on to the lower playground next to the Children's Entrance). This will mean that the children will have easier access to the playground and other facilities. It will also mean that the hall is available for after school clubs. Parents collecting from After School Hub should call the Hub number as normal and then come to the car park/playground gate. Please come through the car park and wait by the gate that leads on to the playground and the children will be brought across to meet you.

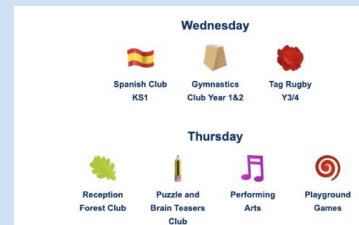
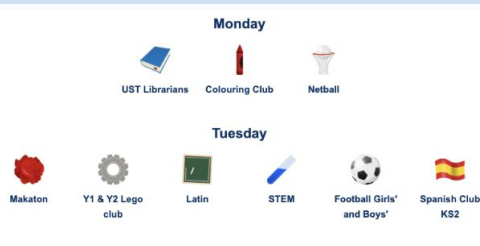
Holiday Hub will also be in the former Skylark classroom on Tuesday and Wednesday so please follow the instructions above for collection. Drop off will also be through the car park. If there is no one on the gate, please call the Hub number and someone will come out to meet you.

Breakfast Club will remain in the hall so there are no changes to arrangements for this.

Booking for Hub: please remember to book your child/children in for their Hub sessions as we use booking numbers to determine staff numbers. If a child is not booked in and we don't have the staff numbers to maintain the appropriate staffing ratios, you will be asked to collect your child.

Extra Curricular Clubs:

More detailed information about each club is available on the website <https://www.shiphay.com/clubs/>. The links on each club page will allow you to sign up for the clubs your child would like to join. For some clubs, numbers have to be limited due to health and safety or risk assessment constraints, but many are open to all. We ask that once a child has signed up for a club, you support us in ensuring that they commit to attending regularly.



Autumn 2025

Day	Club	Time	Staff
Mon	UST Librarians	12:15	Kingfisher Mrs Lawton
Mon	Colouring Club Y1/2	3:15-4pm	Butterfly Miss Idrzak
Mon	Netball Club Y3-Y6	3:15-4:15pm	Miss Prueff
Tues	Makaton Club Y1/2	3:15-4pm	Dragonfly Miss Sewell / Mrs Walters
Tues	Spanish Club KS2	3:15-4:15pm	Chestnut Kidslingo
Tues	Latin Club Y3-Y6	3:15-4pm	Robin Mrs Williams-Powell
Tues	STEM Club Y5/6	3:15-4:15pm	Sycamore Mr Nutbeam
Tues	Football Club Y5/Y6	3:15-4:15pm	Wk 1 Boys, Wk 2 Girls Mr Ellis
Tues	Lego Club Y1/2	3:15-4pm	Ladybird Mrs Boot
Wed	Tag Rugby Y3/4	3:15-4:15pm	Miss Sinar Field
Wed	Gymnastics Y1/2	3:15-4:15pm	Mrs Waring Hall
Wed	Spanish Club KS1	3:15-4:15pm	Butterfly Kidslingo
Thurs	Performing Arts	3:15-4:30	Hall Miss Farmer
Thurs	Puzzles & Brain Teasers Y3/4	3:15-4:15	Heron Miss Newell
Thurs	Forest Club Reception	3:15-4pm	Forest Mr Dolman
Thurs	Playground Games Club Y1 / Y2	3:15-4pm	Ladybird Mrs Duke

Important Information - Communication

We are all working together to achieve the best for the children, families and community members who make up the Shiphay family. Communication is an important part of this. Please see the information below:

Communication - in person

Staff are always happy to meet with you in person.

- At the beginning of each day, class teachers and many of our TAs are in the classrooms ready to greet the children so it is not always possible for a teacher to come and speak to you. However, other members of staff are on duty at the school gate and can pass on a message for you. Alternatively, you can visit the school office and ask the Admin Team to pass on a message on your behalf.
- At the end of the day, class teachers may be able to stop and speak to you once they have dismissed all the children. If they can't speak to you there and then, they can offer you an alternative.
- If you'd like to make an appointment to speak to a member of staff and haven't been able to speak to them, please contact the office shiphayadmin@rivieraet.co.uk

Communication - Seesaw

If you have not already signed up for Seesaw, please talk to your child's teacher. **(New parents, this information will be sent to you this week)**

We will use Seesaw to:

- send quick class/year group specific messages so you may miss out on information if you are not signed up
- post photographs of learning so you can have a window into their daily life in class.
- post a weekly update to let you know what homelearning has been set and what the learning focus for the following week will be

If you do not have access to Seesaw, the risk is that you will miss out on important information.

Parents can also send messages directly to the class teacher using Seesaw. This is the best way to share those quick messages that it is not always possible to share at drop off or pick up. You can also send photos of learning at home, which we would love to see.

Teachers are not expected to, nor are they always able to, reply straight away to any messages. They will also not be expected to reply outside their working hours e.g. evenings or weekends. During the school day, teachers are not able to monitor messages on Seesaw as they are busy teaching the children. Therefore, if you need to get urgent information to the teacher during the school day, please contact The Office

Please do not use Seesaw for:

Absence Information. If your child is going to be absent from school, this information should still be communicated via the absence line on each day of their absence (01803 613556)

Raising concerns or making us aware of issues. If you have concerns that you want to discuss with the senior leadership team, please contact The School Office using shiphayadmin@rivieraet.co.uk. The Admin Team will then be able to pass your message on to the correct person

Urgent messages that need to be read and actioned during the school day. Please contact The School Office instead.

Urgent messages out of school hours. If something occurs in an evening or over a weekend and is too urgent to wait for the next school day, please contact Kate Lee (Head of School) klee@rivieraet.co.uk

Communication - Email

Messages that are sent out from The School Office are sent via our Arbour information system. These are sent via email. If you are not receiving messages from school, please let us know. It is also important to let us know if you have changed your email address or any other contact information.

Communication - Website <https://www.shiphay.com/>

All newsletters and other letters that are sent out are also uploaded on to the website in [Parents/Communication](#). We hope that this helps parents to find information without having to trawl through past emails.

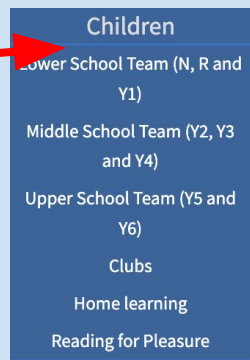
Communication - Website for School Calendar <https://www.shiphay.com/>

On the front page of the website is the school calendar. If you click on "calendar dates" it will bring up the full month so you can see events that are planned.

Important Information: How do I find out what my child will be learning this term?



- Go to our website www.shiphay.com
- Under the "Children" tab you will find a section for each team.
- Click on the team your child is in (for example Lower School Team for N R Y1 and Y2).
- You will find information about the team and also a link to the Year group's page.



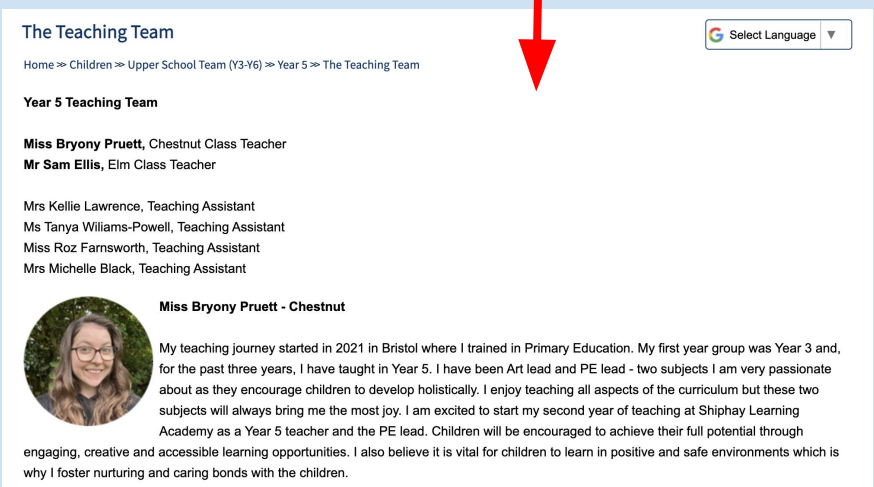
Each Year group page has the same sections with lots of information for you to explore.

Click on a subject to find out more about what will be taught during the year.

Click on the teaching team tab to find out more about the adults who will be working with your child.



The Reading for Pleasure Tab is another useful source of information for supporting the all important skills of reading.



Each year group also has a "Reading" tab in their curriculum information. Here you will find the expectations for the year group, but also support for reading at home, ideas for top reads and other useful information.

Term Dates

Please note - May half term 2026
There are 2 non-pupil days
Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd June
(no hub available)



Summer Term 2025	First day	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
	Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May 2025
	Half term	Monday 26 th May - Monday 2 nd June 2025 inclusive
	Non-Pupil Day	Monday 2 nd June 2025
	Last day	Thursday 24 th July 2025
	Non-Pupil Day	Friday 25 th July 2025
	Summer holidays	Friday 25 th July 2025 - Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 inclusive

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Autumn Term 2025	Non-Pupil Day	Tuesday 2 nd September 2025
	Non-Pupil Day	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
	First day	Thursday 4 th September 2025
	Half Term	Monday 27 th October - Monday 3 rd November 2025 inclusive
	Non-Pupil Day	Monday 3 rd November 2025
	Last day	Friday 19 th December 2025
	Christmas holidays	Monday 22 nd December 2025 – Friday 2 nd January 2026 inclusive

Spring Term 2026	First Day	Monday 5 th January 2026
	Half Term	Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th February 2026
	Last day	Thursday 2 nd April 2026
	Easter holidays	Friday 3 rd – Friday 17 th April 2026

Summer Term 2026	First day	Monday 20 th April 2026
	Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May 2026
	Half term	Monday 25 th May - Monday 1 st June 2026 inclusive
	Non-Pupil Day	Monday 1 st June 2026
	Non-Pupil Day	Tuesday 2 nd June 2026
	Last day	Tuesday 21 st July 2026
	Non-Pupil Day	Wednesday 22 nd July 2026
	Summer holidays	Thursday 23 rd July 2026 - TBC

Important Dates

As you will notice, some of the dates are still (tbc). We will be able to bring you an update later this term and also give you the dates for the Spring and Summer Terms. Please note, new / changed dates are in red.

Autumn 2025

Tue 2nd and Wed 3rd September
Thursday 4th September

Non Pupil Days
Autumn Term Starts
Welcome Week
Autumn Term Clubs start

Week beginning 15th September
Tuesday 16th September
Wed 17th / Thur 18th September
Thursday 18th September

Flu Vaccination
Y6 to Torre Abbey - Agatha Christie Festival
Bikeability Y3/Y4
FOSS disco Y3/4 and Y5/6

Wednesday 24th September

Year 4 - Animal Encounters

Thursday 25th September
Mon 29th Sept-Fri 3rd Oct

FOSS Scooter Party for R, Year 1 and Year 2 (tbc)
Year 6 Residential - PGL Osmington Mills

Tuesday 7th October
Mon 6th-8th October
Wednesday 8th October
Friday 10th October
Wednesday 15th October

School Photos
Y5 Y6 Bikeability
Y5 to London - House of Parliament
Hello Yellow - wear yellow for well being
PGL 2026 meeting for Y5 6pm
Y6 Transition - info sharing for Y5/Y6 parents 6:45pm

Mon 20th - Thur 23rd October

Book Fair

Monday 20th October
Tuesday 21st October
Wednesday 22nd October
Thursday 23rd October
Friday 24th October

Y4 to TGGs to see Mary Poppins
Parent Consultations
Believer Residential meeting for Y3 parents 6pm
Parent Consultations
School closes for Half Term

Monday 3rd November
Tuesday 4th November
Friday 7th November

Non Pupil Day
School opens after half term
Roselands Fireworks

Mon 10th-Fri 14th November

Anti-Bullying Week (odd socks on Monday 10th)

Tuesday 11th November
Friday 14th November
Friday 21st November
Monday 24th November
Friday 28th November

Year 3 Kents Cavern trip
Children in Need / Y4 Mayan Archaeology Day
Muffi for Christmas Fair
UK Parliament Week
Muffi for Christmas Fair
FOSS Christmas Fair

Tuesday 9th December
Wednesday 10th December
Friday 12th December
Monday 15th December
Tuesday 16th December
Wednesday 17th December
Thursday 18th December
Friday 19th December

R/Y1/Y2 Christmas Performance 5pm TBGS (tbc)
KS2 Christmas Performance 6pm TBGS (tbc)
Rocksteady Performance 2pm School Hall (tbc)
Nursery Christmas Celebration 2pm
Christmas Fun Day - R/Y1/Y2
Christmas Fun Day Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6
Rudolph Run - Christmas Jumper Day
School closes for Christmas

Monday 5th January

School opens for Spring Term

Important Dates

INSITE Autumn 2025

During Autumn Term 1, we would like to offer you the opportunity to come into school to share your child's learning. The dates for the Autumn 2025 INSITE sessions are on the right. Each session will take place in the afternoon. Year groups will send out more detailed information ahead of each event.

Year 3	Tue 30th September
Reception	Wed 1st October
Year 5	Thur 2nd October
Year 1/2	Wed 8th October
Nursery	Thur 9th October
Year 6	Tues 14th October
Year 4	Thurs 13th November

Celebration Assemblies Autumn Term ATerm

We love to share good news. When it is your child's celebration assembly, please send any trophies, certificates, awards etc they have received so that we can present these in assembly. This is a great way to celebrate their achievements and also inspire other children.

During Celebration Assemblies, the house captains give an update on house points, praise postcards are shared and the children who have received "Golden Phonecalls" get their certificates.

We also receive updates from our sports teams and children who have represented the school at different events.

Wed 10th Sept	Year 5 / Year 6
Wed 17th Sept	Year 3/Year 4
Wed 24th Sept	Reception/Year 1 / Year 2
Wed 8th Oct	Year 5 / Year 6
Wed 15th Oct	Year 3/Year 4
Wed 22nd Oct	Reception/Year 1/ Year 2

Wed 5th Nov	Year 5 / Year 6
Wed 12th Nov	Year 3/Year 4
Wed 19th Nov	Reception/Year 1/Year 2
Wed 26th Nov	Year 5 / Year 6
Wed 3rd Dec	Year 3/Year 4
Wed 3rd Dec	Reception/Year 1/Year 2

Each week, children who have gone above and beyond are recommended to me by the adults in school. I then have the fabulous job of calling home to share this good news. These phone calls are usually done on a Friday after school and are the best part of my week!

At the following Celebration Assembly, the children receive their Head Teacher Award sticker in recognition of their achievements,

Golden Phonecalls



Food in school - Key Reminders

Snacks for breaktime - these should be pieces of fresh fruit or veg only. Recently we have seen a huge range of different snacks being brought in, including sweets and chocolate. If you would like to send your child with a snack for breaktime, this should be fresh fruit or veg only. This doesn't include boxes of raisins, fruit winders or fruit yoghurt. To keep it simple and clear, breaktime snacks should only be pieces of fresh fruit or veg.

Lunch boxes - please follow these guidelines:

- **No whole nuts** - we do have children with severe allergies. Please do not send anything with whole nuts (this includes peanut butter). Of course, it is very hard to avoid products that say "may contain nuts". These are fine. We simply ask you to refrain from sending anything with whole nuts.
- **Please cut grapes lengthwise** - this is especially important for younger children as a whole grape could easily become lodged in their throat
- **Please no snacks like popcorn for younger children** - snacks that are of a size that could become lodged in a child's throat should be avoided
- **No sweets or lollipops** - please do not send sweets in your child's lunchbox
- **No swapping** - it is lovely when the children want to share with each other. However, due to allergies and different parents' wishes, we discourage this.

Water Bottles in school - please make sure that your child has a named water bottle in school every day. We prefer children to have water in their bottles but, because we know how important it is for children to be well hydrated, weak squash is also acceptable.

Your child's water bottle will be stored centrally in the classroom. Children are prompted to have a drink before and after break and lunch. During lesson time, they can access their water bottle during activity time but not while an adult is teaching or leading a class discussion.

Sweets and treats on birthdays - we ask that children don't bring in sweets or treats to share with the class on their birthdays. This is for a range of reasons:

- Not all families can afford to buy treats for the whole class
- Not all parents would want their children to have sweets
- Some children have allergies and intolerances and so we have to be mindful of this. It can also be very upsetting for them if everyone else is tucking into something nice and they can't have it because of their allergy.



A community interest company running services across Torbay

ABOUT US SKILLS CENTRE COMMUNITY KITCHEN TEA LEAF CAFÉ

TURNING HEADS
CHANGING PERCEPTIONS AND LIVES
EST. 2018

ACTIVITIES RESOURCES BLOG CONTACT DONATE

COMMUNITY KITCHEN
EST. 2018

COMMUNITY SOCIAL
REAR OF VICTORIA PARK METHODIST CHURCH
EVERY FRIDAY
10AM UNTIL 2PM
JUST £5
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Social Supermarket
Our social supermarket and community café is based at the rear of Victoria Park Methodist Church in Plainmoor. Open every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am until 2pm.

Friday Social
Every Friday we have 2 groups that run. One is based at the Skills Centre and the other is from our Social Supermarket site in Plainmoor.

Holiday Meals
Through our social supermarket parents can sign up for 2 meal kits each week during the school holidays. Any parent who has children on free school meals is eligible.

Need some support? Talking Heads can help. Click [HERE](#)

Lunch Menu

As you are aware, Caterlink will be providing our school lunches from September. The new menu is below.



Spring Summer 2025		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 1 st September 22 nd September 13 th October	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Chicken Pizza with Salads	Roasted Pork Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chef's Special Chicken and Chickpea Korma with Rice	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishcakes with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Tomato and Lentil Pasta	Mild Mexican Chilli with Rice	Roasted Quorn, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Spaghetti and Meatless balls	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Apple Flapjack	Summer Lemon Cake	Fruit Platter	Chocolate Pinwheel Biscuit	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins
WEEK TWO 8 th September 29 th September 20 th October	Option One	Barbecue Chicken with Rice	Pork Hot Dog with Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Breaded Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Salads	Vegan Hot Dog with Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Vegetable Soya Roast, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	NEW Chef's Special Chickpea Curry with Rice	Cheese and Tomato Quiche with Chips
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Iced Vanilla Sponge	NEW Strawberry and Apple Crumble with Custard	Freshly Chopped Fruit Salad	Peaches and Ice Cream	Vanilla Shortbread
WEEK THREE 15 th September 6 th October	Option One	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	NEW Green Thai Chick Curry with Rice	Roast Gammon, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	NEW Greek Macaroni Pastitsio with Greek Salad and Tzatziki	Fishfingers and Chips
	Option Two	Classic Vegan Bolognese	NEW Chef's Special Five Bean Jollof Rice	Vegan Cottage Pie with Gravy	Spinach and Cheese Whirl with Rice, Greek Salad and Tzatziki	Cheese and Red Pepper Frittata with Chips
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Pear & Cocoa Upside Down Cake	Vanilla Yoghurt with toppings	Fruit Medley	Marble Sponge	Oaty Cookie

MENU KEY

Added Plant Protein Wholemeal Vegan Chef's Special

Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes or Baguettes with a choice of fillings - Bread freshly baked on site daily- Daily salad selection and Fresh Fruit

ALLERGY INFORMATION:

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.

Special Diet Lunches

If your child has an allergy, Caterlink will provide a personalised menu for them that is free of these allergens.

These will be sent out in September with information about how to order.

Packed Lunches

Just a friendly reminder that whole nut products (including **peanuts, tree nuts, chocolate/nut spread and nut bars**) are not allowed in students' lunch boxes due to allergy risks. We have children in our school with severe nut allergies, and even small traces can cause serious reactions.

Please check all snacks and lunch items carefully before sending them in. Thank you for helping us keep our school a safe environment for all students.

Uniform - Key Reminders

Let's work together to keep everyone Shiphay smart.

Shoes / Trainers for uniform - we know that having to buy shoes and trainers can be costly, especially as children's feet grow so quickly. For this reason, we offer the chance for parents to just purchase **plain black trainers** and for these to be worn with uniform and PE kit. **These should be plain black and should not have large logos.**

Jewellery is not permitted - the only exception to this is a watch and a single pair of stud earrings.

Long hair must be tied back

Hair accessories - these must be small, discrete and in school colours (red, grey, navy or black). For clarity, small means no larger than the child's hand.

PE Kit - should only be worn on PE days.

PE shorts - these must be plain black with no commercial logos. These should be approximately knee length and not very short, hot pant style shorts

PE tops - these must be plain coloured T-shirts with no commercial logos. Football shirts are not acceptable as PE kit

Jumpers for PE - children do not need an extra jumper. They should wear their red school jumper



Shiphay Learning Academy: Uniform Expectations

Uniform is important to support the children's sense of belonging and pride in their school. We expect children to wear correct uniform including PE kit. Full details can be found on the school website [HERE](#). Our uniform has been designed to be affordable. Whilst Shiphay logo items can be purchased from [Price and Buckland](#), there is no expectation for any pupil to wear items with the Shiphay logo. Alternatives can be purchased from a range of local suppliers.

Uniform:

- Red jacket or round-necked sweatshirt
- Navy blue polo shirt with plain collar
- Charcoal grey trousers, tailored shorts, box-pleated skirt, skort or pinafore
- Red and white gingham dress / culotte dress
- Black, grey or white socks (short or knee length)
- Black, red or grey tights
- Black school shoes with fastening or plain black trainers (no logos or brightly coloured soles please)

Summer:

- White socks can be worn with black/white sandals
- Red knitted cardigan can be worn over Summer dress

PE Kit: (children to come dressed in PE kit on PE days)

- Plain black shorts (no commercial logos please)
- Plain round-necked T-shirt - Team Colour
- Trainers or plimsols
- Black leggings or plain black jogging bottoms can be worn in the colder months
- School sweatshirt to be worn over PE Kit - no sports tops, football tops, hoodies or other non-uniform items please.



Hair Accessories:

- Long hair should be tied back at all times
- Small bows, hair clips, plain hair bands, narrow Alice bands and small "scrunchies" are permitted. These should be in school colours: red, grey, navy or black

Jewellery:

- One stud earring may be worn in each ear
- Watches may be worn
- Smart watches that can take photos are not permitted
- All earring and watches must be removed for PE

Make Up:

- Make up, including nail varnish and tattoos, is not part of uniform and must not be worn.

Clubs - Autumn 2025

The ethos at Shiphay Learning Academy is about opening doors for our children and ensuring that every pupil has a broad range of experiences and opportunities both within the curriculum and as part of our extra curricular programme.

Each year our talented teachers and TAs offer a range of exciting extra curricular clubs and share their expertise or interests with the children. In addition to this, we host a number of outside organisations who provide clubs for children to join.

The tables below give an overview of the clubs we are planning to offer during the Autumn Term. The children will also be consulted through Pupil Council to ensure that we are meeting as many of their interests as we can.

More detailed information about each club will be available on our website before the club begins <https://www.shiphay.com/clubs/>. At the beginning of the term, a letter will be sent out containing Google Form links and information about each club. These links will allow you to sign up for the clubs your child would like to join. For some clubs, numbers have to be limited due to health and safety or risk assessment constraints, but many are open to all. We ask that once a child has signed up for a club, you support us in ensuring that they commit to attending regularly.

Monday

- UST Librarians
- Colouring Club
- Netball

Tuesday

- Makaton
- Y1 & Y2 Lego club
- Latin
- STEM
- Football Girls' and Boys'
- Spanish Club KS2

Wednesday

- Spanish Club KS1
- Gymnastics Club Year 1&2
- Tag Rugby Y3/4

Thursday

- Reception Forest Club
- Puzzle and Brain Teasers Club
- Performing Arts
- Playground Games

Friday

- Saints Southwest Football

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Mon	UST Librarians 12:15 Kingfisher Mrs Lawton	Colouring Club Y1/2 3:15-4pm Butterfly Miss Idziak	Netball Club Y3-Y6 3:15-4:15pm Miss Prueff			
Tues	Makaton Club Y1/2 3:15-4pm Dragonfly Miss Sewell / Mrs Walters	Spanish Club KS2 3:15-4:15pm Chestnut Kidslingo	Latin Club Y3-Y6 3:15-4pm Robin Mrs Williams-Powell	Stem Club Y5/6 3:15-4:15pm Sycamore Mr Nutbeam	Football Club Y5/Y6 3:15-4:15pm Wk 1 Boys, Wk 2 Girls Mr Ellis	Lego Club Y1/2 3:15-4pm Ladybird Mrs Boot
Wed	Tag Rugby Y3/4 Miss Sinar Field 3:15-4:15pm	Gymnastics Y1/2 Mrs Waring Hall 3:15-4:15pm	Spanish Club KS1 3:15-4:15pm Butterfly Kidslingo			
Thurs	Performing Arts 3:15-4:30 Hall Miss Farmer	Puzzles & Brain Teasers Y3/4 3:15-4:15 Heron Miss Newell	Forest Club Reception 3:15-4pm Forest Mr Dolman	Playground Games Club Y1 / Y2 3:15-4pm Ladybird Mrs Duke		

Trips and Enrichment Planner 2025/2026 (draft)

As part of our aim to open doors for pupils and give them opportunities to see their learning in the real world, these are our proposed trips and enrichment visits for 2024/2025. Some are linked to the curriculum and some are linked to Riviera 70 opportunities. This list is not exhaustive as opportunities will arise during the year.

We know that the number and "size" of trips is not the same in every year group. However, during their time with us, children will have this full range of opportunities.

Trips and Enrichment Planner 2025/2026 (draft)

As part of our aim to open doors for pupils and give them opportunities to see their learning in the real world, these are our proposed trips and enrichment visits for 2025/2026. Some are linked to the curriculum and some are linked to Riviera 70 opportunities



	Autumn	Spring	Summer	All Year groups
Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiny Travels (Understanding the World) Regular visits to local parks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Little Village People (People who Help us) National Beep Beep Day: Road Safety visit School Patrol Crossing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursery Fun Day and Sports afternoon Beach Trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas entertainment as part of Christmas Fun Day
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seasonal Change - Visit to Cockington PWHU visitors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Castle visit: Berry Pomeroy Seasonal Change - Visit to Cockington 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dartmoor-Summer- 1 Ness Beach Trip- Summer 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Week (Spring Term) Trip to the beach
Year 1/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography - Shipway Walk PD - Recycling Centre in school Art - Beach Visit - Andy Goldsworthy RE - Church Visit / ICE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> History -Local History - How has Torquay Changed? Torre Abbey Science - Occombe Farm - Habitats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography - River Walk RE - Mosque Visit DT/English - Puppeteers linked to Fairy Tales 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RNLI assembly Torquay library assembly
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science - Beach trip - Rock hunt - RE-ICE Prehistoric Britain - Kents Cavern 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Egyptians - Exeter museum - hands on workshop -Train? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bellever 3 day residential Geologist workshop in school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NPSCC assembly
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography - South America Animal Encounters (in school workshop) History - Mayans Exe Chocolate (in school workshop) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music - Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra concert Exeter University Geography - South America Eden Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography - Earthquakes Natural History Museum (virtual workshop) History - WW2 Brixham Battery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cuthbert Mayne Sports Workshops (Y1-Y6)
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citizenship - Houses of Parliament trip - London RE Islam - visitor in school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geography - SW Water Workshop History - Viking Workshop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment visit - Torquay Academy Science - Planetarium virtual visit Citizenship - Children's Parliament 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inter Trust Sports (Y3-Y6)
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Agatha Christie Creative Writing Day at Torre Abbey Geography - Slapton Sands PGL 5 day residential 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> History - Anglo Saxon Britain. Visit to Grimspound 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paddleboarding and meal out as a class. 	



As a school and Trust, we have devised a list of 70 experiences that we believe children should, and will, have during their time at Shipway. These experiences enhance the curriculum we offer.

Some of these experiences have been built into our curriculum and will link with some of the National Curriculum experiences. Others will be stand alone activities to enrich the children's learning.

We record these experiences in the class Personal Development books so that the children can look back on their memories as they move through school.





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Spanish Clubs at Shiphay Learning Academy


(New day for our Infant club)

iHola! Join our fun and interactive after-school Spanish clubs at Shiphay Learning Academy! Places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Learning a language at a young age helps children grow in self-confidence and boosts their natural creativity. Plus, they can absorb a language effortlessly while having fun!

At Kidslingo, we are passionate about teaching Spanish to children through play. We love exploring different cultures and making language learning exciting with games, songs, actions, stories, and drama.


Club Details

 1-hour sessions: 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm


- **Wednesdays** - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
- **Tuesdays** - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 (Only 1 space left!)

 Our Autumn Term starts on 9th September 2025.



 **£31.00 per child, per month.** There is 2% admin fee applied to price.

 Payments are collected monthly via Direct Debit at the beginning of each month, pro-rated from your joining date. You can cancel at any time.


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-  Vocabulary sheets, worksheets, and reward certificates
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How to Enrol

 To secure your child's place, visit the link below and select Shiphay Learning Academy:
<https://www.kidslingo.co.uk/area/teignbridge-s-hams-torbay/>

(Tip: Click Show Classes to view club details.)

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out!

Patty

Spanish clubs at Shiphay Learning Academy



Learn Spanish through songs, games, role play and fun activities

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Wednesday for Reception, Year 1 & 2
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 **New term starts 9th Sep**

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