

**Friday 6th  
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# Shilbottle newsletter

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Dear Parents and carers,  
**Celebrations**

Class	Star	Presentation	Reading
R	Frankie	Abigail	
1	Harriet	Dougie	
2	Kaitlin	Dylan	
3	Joey D	Eric	
4	Zara	Jeni	
5	Amelia	Alicia	
6	Rowan	Hamish	
Headteacher Awards: Bobbi-Rose ( R) and Alfie (5)			
Highest Class Attendance this week: Year 2 & 3 with 100% Whole School Attendance: 97.50% (Target 96%)			

*(Please let us know if your child needs a special mention in our newsletter for their achievements outside of school).*

Congratulation Jeni on achieving your ballet certificates at the Royal Academy of Dance!

**This week in our school the children have been learning about the following topics:**

Reception: Jackson Pollock

Years 1& 2: Our body and senses

Years 3& 4: Joints and nutrition

Year 5& 6: Space

**Next week in our school the children will be learning about the following topics:**

Reception: Science - Autumn - Seasonal Changes

Years 1& 2: Geography - Our school and local area

Years 3& 4: Geography - The United Kingdom

Year 5& 6: Geography - The Untied States

**Miss D Foxall**

Miss D Foxall, who had been our school kitchen manager for the past 18 years, has moved onto a new role within Northumberland County Council. We would like to wish her good luck in her new position. Mrs Jackson has agreed to support us until the end of term and we will update you on our plans for the new year when they are finalised.

**New Portakabin**

We have been informed that the new installation date is next Tuesday (10th October). Whilst we are not aware if the Highways Department have informed local residents of the new date we would once again ask if parents could avoid parking in the streets around the school next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

**Parent Survey—Win £100**

On Wednesday of this week we sent a copy of a QR code asking families to complete a Parent Survey for Northumberland County Council. The aim of this is to gather information to support the long term plan to ensure families are supported in regards to their childcare needs in the future. We would be extremely grateful if you could complete this before 15th October and share this with any other families in the area who may not have children in the school.

**Year 6 Transition to High School**

Parents please remember the deadline is 31st October for you to complete the online admissions form as this is not an automatic process. Failure to complete could result in your child not getting a place at your preferred school.

**Lunches**

Next week the meal options are:

Monday: Sausage roll, waffles & peas or beans - Ice cream

Tuesday: Tuna melt, pasta & sweetcorn - Cake & custard

Wednesday: Roast chicken, yorkshire puddings, roast pots, veg & gravy - Chocolate brownie

Thursday: Pasta bolognese, garlic bread & sweetcorn - Mallow squares

Friday: Chicken goujons, chips, beans or sweetcorn - Chocolate crispy/cheese & biscuits

*(All subject to change)*

***Dates for the Future (please add to your home calendar/phone calendar)***

<b>Date</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Every Wednesday	All	Swimming—Years 5 and 6	Spring term Y3/4 Summer term R/1/2
Thursday 12th October	3&4	Visit to St James' Church (Coats and sensible footwear)	In school for lunch
Thursday 26th October	All	St James' Church Harvest Festival 1:30pm	
Friday 27th October	All	End of Half Term	Normal closing time. After School 5:30pm
Tuesday 31st October	Year 6	Deadline for applications for High School—apply online via NCC School Admissions	
Monday 6th November	All	School reopens 8:30am	
Tuesday 21st November	1&2. 5&6	Puppetry Workshops (Visitors)	No cost to parents Charity Funded
Thursday 29th November	3&4	Visit from Author—Tracey Corderoy Signed copies of books will be available to purchase	No cost to parents Charity Funded
Monday 11th December	R12	Christmas Cracker Workshop (Visitors)	No cost to parents Charity Funded
Tuesday 12th December	R12	Nativity Rehearsal (afternoon)	Families with small children
Wednesday 13th December	R12	Nativity Rehearsal (afternoon)	Adults only
Thursday 14th December	All	Christmas Carols and Songs 5:30pm start at St James Church	
Wednesday 20th December	All	Pantomime Visit Tyne Theatre Newcastle Peter Pan	No cost to parents Charity Funded Late return to school Approx 5:30pm
Friday 22nd December	All	School closes for Christmas	
Monday 8th January	All	School reopens 8:30am	
Monday 13th May 24	Y6	SATs week	

***Mr G Parnaby—Headteacher***