

**Friday 19th April
2024**

Dear Parents and carers,
Celebrations



Shilbottle newsletter

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Class	Star of the Week (Inquisitive)	Presentation	Golden Table
R	Reggie	Frankie	Elodie
1	Elsie	Jonah	Jonah
2	Zak	Oscar	Reggie
3	Bobby	Eric	Jaxon
4	Amelia	Francesca	Jeni
5	Elliott	Anna	Anna
6	Phoenix	Daniel	Archie
Headteacher Awards: Freya-May (R) and Logan (6)			
Highest Class Attendance this week: Year 1 with 99.1% Whole School Attendance: 94.9% (Target 96%)			

Congratulations to Phoenix (6) who has achieved both his Level 7 and Level 8 swimming award and is able to swim 400m (16 lengths of the pool without stopping!) A fantastic achievement and we are all very proud of you.

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

Reception: Plants and planting
Years 1 & 2: Kings and Queens
Years 3 & 4: Ancient Egypt
Year 5 & 6: Mayan culture

The following topics will be covered during their next school week:

Reception: Stone Age
Years 1 & 2: Castles
Years 3 & 4: Ancient Egypt
Year 5 & 6: Mayan culture

Swimming—Pre-Reception/Reception Year 1 and Year 2

Our youngest children started their swimming lessons this week for the remainder of the Summer Term and it was extremely impressive to see how confident they were in a new learning environment. Many thanks to the parents for helping the children be prepared for this new experience.

Book Fair (Monday 29th April to Friday 3rd May)

Early in the week we sent home the brochure of books which will be available for children and families to purchase at the end of the school day.

These are at a substantially reduced price with a wide range of genres available. It would be greatly appreciated, where possible, if the correct amount of change could be used the school does not keep any cash on the premises. A percentage of the purchases made is returned to the school to enable us to increase our range of books for the children to select from the school library and in-class reading areas.

Lunches next week (22nd April)

Monday: Chicken Korma Curry, rice and naan bread. Cake
Tuesday: Tuna melt, pasta and sunshine vegetables. Brownie
Wednesday: Ham and cheese, new potatoes and sweetcorn. Rice pudding
Thursday: Sausage roll, potato smiley faces and spaghetti hoops or sweetcorn. Jelly
Friday: Cheese or peperoni pizza, potato fries and spaghetti hoops or sweetcorn. Chocolate crispie

Please check the Dates of the Diary section of the newsletter for updated events and educational visits.

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

Date	Year	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday	Y3&4	Swimming—PreRec/Rec/1/2	Final session Wednesday 17th July
May	Y2	SATs test administered	
Thursday 2nd May	3,4&5	Visit to Great North Museum (Hancock)	
Monday 6th May	All	School closed—Bank Holiday	Reopens Tuesday 7th
Thursday 9th May	1&2	Alnwick Castle	
Monday 13th May 24	Y6	SATs week	
Thursday 23rd May	All	School closes for half term	Normal closing times
Tuesday 4th June	Y4	National Multiplication Test	
Tuesday 4th June	All	School reopens at 8:30am	
Friday 7th June	5/6	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm (approximately 15/20 minutes)	Doors open 2:05pm
Week commencing 10th June	Y1	Phonics Screening Tests	
Tuesday 11th June (confirmed)	Rec & Pre Rec	Northumberland Zoo visit (all day)	Packed lunch and suitable clothing
Wednesday 12th June to Friday 14th June	Y6	London residential	Depart 8am prompt Arrive at school 7:45am
Thursday 20th June	R and Pre Rec	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm (approximately 15/20 minutes)	Doors open 2:05pm
Thursday 4th July	All	Sports and Summer Fair afternoon—Starting at 1pm	If cancelled due to bad weather it will be held on Thursday 11th July
Thursday 11th July	All	Rescheduled Sports and Summer Fair afternoon if cancelled on 4th	
Wednesday 17th July	All	French Day including visitors from Héry (Shilbottle's twin town in France)	
Thursday 18th July	6	Leavers assembly 5pm	Doors open 4:45pm
Friday 19th July	All	School closes for Summer Break	School closes at 2:00 After school club 3:30

Free School Meal entitlement

Remember if you feel you may be entitled to a Free School Meal it is worth applying online at the NCC website. All you need is your national insurance number and date of birth. Whilst children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 receive a free meal under the Universal Meals scheme this ends at Year 3. However, income based Free School Meals continue beyond year 2 and also entitle you to 50% off the cost of school visits.