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# Shilbottle newsletter

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Dear Parents and carers,  
**Celebrations**

Class	Star	Presentation	Golden Table
R	Frankie	Bobbi-Rose	Ella
1	Thomas	Dexter	Emily
2	Dylan	Kaitlin	Zak
3	Bobby	Jaxon	Joey T
4	Jeni	Erin	Francesca
5	Scarlett	James	Amelia
6	Lucas	Michael	Charlotte
Headteacher Awards: Dylan (2) and Amelia G (5)			
Highest Class Attendance this week: Years 1 & 2 with 100% Whole School Attendance: 93% (Target 96%)			

## Golden Table

These children are selected on a weekly basis for demonstrating good behaviour and social skills at break and lunch times.

## Reading Raffle Winners for this half term:

Sunny C (R), Harriet (1), Dylan (2), Rebecca (3), Bobby (4), Alfie (5) and Lucas (6)

*Please let us know if your child has been successful outside of school and we can share this with the wider school community.*

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

Reception: Light & Electricity

Years 1 & 2: Science-Animal Classification

Years 3 & 4: Science-Rocks

Year 5 & 6: Science-Materials

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

Reception: Grace Darling

Years 1 & 2: Computing—keyboard skills

Years 3 & 4: Computing—coding

Year 5 & 6: Computing—programming

## Year 3/4 Class Assembly

This afternoon our year 3 and 4 children shared some of the learning about the recent topic of Bee Conservation with their families. We hope you enjoyed listening to the children sharing their knowledge and I am sure you are extremely proud of them all for all their hard work. The aim of our assemblies is to help develop the children's speaking and listening skills. As I am sure you can appreciate talking to an audience can be very daunting and the children do extremely well to overcome their nerves. At Shilbottle Primary we ask the children to think about their 3 Ps when talking to an audience. Pace (not talking too quickly or too slowly), Projection (talking to the person furthest away and thinking about the volume of your voice—without shouting) and Pronunciation (saying each word clearly). Thinking of these 3Ps really helps the children become confident readers and speakers. It may be something you wish to try at home when listening to the children read.

## Half Term Holiday

School is closed next week and will reopen on Monday 26th February. For any families with children attending Friendly Frogs Nursery the children will be working in the main school building on Monday 19th whilst electrical work is completed in the new portakabin. Please drop off and collect from the school office. It is hoped that the works will be completed in one day but if these plans change the Nursery staff will keep families updated.

## Lunches next week (26th February)

Monday: Chicken Korma, naan bread, peas and rice. Cake

Tuesday: Sausage, potato wedges and spaghetti hoops/sweetcorn. Brownie

Wednesday: Roasted ham, cheese, potato smiley faces and sweetcorn. Jelly

Thursday: Pasta bolognese, carrots and garlic bread. Chocolate crispie

Friday: Pizza, fries and beans/sweetcorn. Choc Chip Muffin

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Every Wednesday	Y3&4	Swimming—Years 3 and 4 First session 10th January	Summer term R/1/2
Every Wednesday	Y6	After School Booster classes 17th January to 8th May	Finishes at 4:30pm
Monday 26th February	All	School reopens at 8:30am	
Monday 4th February	All	Parent/Teacher Meetings	Times sent via Dojo on Friday 9th February
Tuesday 5th February	All	Parent/Teacher Meetings	Times sent via Dojo on Friday 9th February
Tuesday 26th March	1/2	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm	Doors open 2:05pm
Thursday 28th March	All	School closes for Easter Break	School closes at 2:00 After school club 3:30
Monday 15th April	All	School reopens at 8:30am	
May	Y2	SATs test administered	
Monday 6th May	All	School closed—Bank Holiday	Reopens Tuesday 7th
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	Doors open 2:05pm
Week commencing 10th June	Y1	Phonics Screening Tests	
Tuesday 11th June (provisional)	Rec & Pre Rec	Northumberland Zoo visit (all day)	Packed lunch and suitable clothing
Wednesday 12th June to Friday 14th June	Y6	London residential	
Thursday 20th June	R and Pre Rec	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm	Doors open 2:05pm
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

***Regards***  
***Mr G Parnaby—Headteacher***