

**Friday 16th
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Shilbottle newsletter

Dear Parents and carers,

This week in our School ...

The children are continuing their learning about the following topics as you may wish to ask them about what they have been studying:

Reception & Year 1 - Science - Autumn/Seasonal Changes

Year 2 - Science— Healthy Living

Years 3&4 - Science—Rocks and Soils

Year 5 - Science— Earth and Space

Year 6 - Science— Evolution

E Safety

When we return on Monday 2nd November our focus across the school will be Computing with an emphasis on E-Safety. Obviously, within school we have several security checks to ensure the children can not access inappropriate material or social media platforms. Parents have the greatest role in ensuring their children are safe whilst online at home. A few questions which are often useful for parents to consider at regular intervals are:

When did I last check my child's devices to ensure they are safe and only have access to appropriate games/social media?

Are the games/social media platforms my child uses age appropriate? Eg Whatsapp is currently 16 years old.

Do you know all the contacts on your child's device?

When did you last monitor the usage? It is recommended that children do not access an electronic device for at least one hour before bed time.

Are you aware of how to contact CEOP to report concerns?

Year 6

Parents please remember that the deadline for the online applications to High School is the end of this month. This is not an automatic process and if you miss the deadline your child may not secure a place in the school of your choice. Shilbottle Primary are not involved in the process at any stage and are therefore we are unable to support you should the deadline be missed. We highly recommend you do this sooner rather than later!

Celebrations

Our children who achieved awards in school this week are:

Class	Star	Presentation	Reading	Mathletics
R	Eric R	Joey T		
1	Osian D	April Mc		
2	Luisa J	Henry E	Archie S Elliott R Alicia K Alfie B Lydia B	
3	Daniel K	Jasmine H		Phoenix P
4	Ethan C	Dylan S		Morgan H Maia R
5	Freya H	Erin A	Harriet M Brendan A Christopher B	Rowan S
6	Logan B	Indie D		
Headteacher Awards: Charlotte C(R) and Corey Mc (3)				

Other awards and achievements

Please let the class teach know of any other awards your child has achieved so we can share them with the rest of the school community.

Shilbottle around the World

This week we learnt about: **USA** and the children are really enjoying discussing the similarities and differences between all the countries we are learning about.

Next week we are learning about: **Australia**

Harvest Donations

Many thanks on behalf of the Alnwick Food Bank and all the families who will benefit from the kind donations made this week. A special thanks to Hannah (Ebony's mam) for suggesting the project and agreeing to collect the items and deliver them to the food bank today.

Thank you

A huge thanks to Mr and Mrs Johnson for all their hard work making up the treat bags for all the children with their various bags of sweets for Halloween. We are extremely grateful to the Shilbottle and Hampeth Mutual Aid group and Morrisons for their donations. I am sure this will go some way to making up for the fact that Halloween will be quite different for the children this year. Remember the Shilbottle and Hampeth Mutual Aid are continuing to support families in the local area and more information can be found on their facebook page.

Dates for the future

Date	Year group	Event	Notes
23rd October (Friday)	All	School closes for half term (3:15pm)	
31st October	6	Deadline for transfer to High School	Parents must complete online
2nd November (Monday)	All	School reopens	
13th November (Friday)	All	Children in Need—Non uniform day	Donations appreciated
18th December (Friday)	All	School closes for Christmas (2:00pm)	
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4th January (Monday)	All	School reopens	
12th February (Friday)	All	School closes for half term (3:15pm)	
23rd February (Tuesday)	All	School reopens	
26th March (Friday)	All	School closes for Easter (2:00pm)	
12th April (Monday)	All	School reopens	
3rd May (Monday)	All	Bank Holiday—School Closed	
28th May (Friday)	All	School closes for half term (3:15pm)	
8th June (Tuesday)	All	School reopens	
16th July (Friday)	All	School closes for Summer (2:00pm)	
7th September (Tuesday)	All	School reopens	

Enjoy the half term break, keep safe and well and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd November.

Regards
Mr Parnaby
Headteacher