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# Shilbottle newsletter

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Dear Parents and carers,

## Celebrations

Class	Star	Presentation	Reading
R	Esmac	Thomas	
1	Reggie	Oscar	
2	Clayton	Joey D	Gracie Joey T
3	Amelie	Scarlett	
4	Lydia	Alfie	Alfie Amelia G
5	Michael	Jay	Jasmine
6	Dylan	Morgan, Flynn & Ethan	
Headteacher Awards: Jonah T ( R) & Donnie T (3)			
Highest Class Attendance this week: Year 3 with 100% Whole School Attendance: 95.8% (Target 96%)			

*Please let us know if there is anything your child has achieved outside of school which you would like to share with the rest of the school community.*

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

Reception: Signs of Spring

Years 1&2: We are researchers

Years 3&4: We are toy designers

Year 5: We are game developers

Year 6: We are marketers

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

Reception: Life Cycles

Years 1&2: Identifying plants

Years 3&4: Animals including Humans

Year 5: Sound

Year 6: Evolution and Inheritance

### **Red Nose Day**

We are aware that next Friday (17th) is Red Nose Day and children can wear red noses if they wish. We are asking families to make donations online via the website [comicroelief.com/rednoseday](http://comicroelief.com/rednoseday) as opposed to sending cash donations to school.

### **Teachers Strike Action—Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March**

A letter was sent on Tuesday regarding the arrangements for the strike days.

### **School Uniform**

We fully appreciate that during the bad weather children may need to wear boots. However, may we remind you the school's uniform policy is for children to wear **all black** shoes (not trainers). In the Summer Term (after the Easter holidays) we also allow children to wear white polo shirts due to the insects from the nearby fields being attracted to the colour yellow.

### **Bikeability**

Some of our children are scheduled to take part in Bikeability activities next week. We are aware the weather is forecast to take a turn for the worst next week and therefore if there are any changes made to these plans by the organisation running the training we will inform you as soon as possible.

***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	5&6	Swimming at Willowburn	
Monday 20th March	All	Parents meeting re Ofsted Report	5:15pm to 6:15pm
Thursday 23rd March	3 4 5	Jarrow Hall Visit	Packed lunches
Thursday 30th March	3&4	Class assembly for parents	Doors open at 2:20
Friday 31st March	All	School closes for Easter Break	
Monday 17th April	All	School reopens	Gates open 8:30am
May	2	SATs test papers to be sat during this month	
Monday 8th May	All	Additional Bank Holiday—King Charles III coronation	School will reopen Tues 9th May
Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May	Year 6	SATS week	New dates confirmed by DfE
Thursday 18th May	All	Professor Brainstorm Workshop	School Hall
Tuesday 23rd May	5&6	Newcastle United Visit	
Thursday 25th May	1&2	Class Assembly for Parents	School Hall 2:30pm
Friday 26th May	All	School closes for half term	Normal closing hours
Tuesday 6th June	All	School reopens—Summer Term	Gates open 8:30am
Every Wednesday Summer Term	Planned R/1/2	Swimming at Willowburn ( <i>classes to be confirmed</i> )	First session 7th June
6th to 16th June	4	National Multiplication Test	
Week commencing Monday 12th June	1	Phonics Screening Test	
Wednesday 14th to Friday 16th June	6	Y6 London Visit	
Thursday 22nd June	5&6	Safety Workshops—Online and other dangers	
Friday 30th June	All	Sports Day/Summer Fair	Reschedule for 7th July if necessary
Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th July	3&4	Robinwood Residential	
Friday 21st July	All	School closes for Summer break	Reopens Tuesday 5th September