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Shilbottle newsletter

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Dear Parents and carers,

Class	Star of the Week	Presentation	Golden Table
R/PreRec	Lennon	Ella	Sophia
1	Sunny C	Bobbi	Elodie
2	Thomas	Esmae	Dexter
3	Kaitlin	Stanley	Torin
4	Gracie	Jaxon	Rosalee
5	Erin	Zara	Rebecca
6	Henry	All of Year 6	James
Headteacher Awards: Amelia M (Y5) and Serenna (Y6)			

Well done to both Zak and Abigail for achieving their next stage in their swimming awards!

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

Reception: Animals—assembly practice
Years 1& 2: Science – Researching scientists
Years 3& 4: Science—deforestation
Year 5& 6: Science—renewable energy

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

Reception: Sports Day and keeping fit!
Years 1& 2: Design and Technology—Puppets
Years 3& 4: Design and Technology—Circuits—using components in a circuit
Year 5& 6: Design and Technology (Y5) and Leavers Assembly (Y6)

Pre-Reception and Reception Assembly

Many thanks to Miss Harrison and Miss Hedley for organising a fantastic class assembly for our youngest children yesterday. For many of these children it was their first time speaking to an audience and it really helped them develop their speaking and listening skills. At Shilbottle we encourage children to use the 3Ps when speaking to an audience (pace, pronunciation and projection) and all the children spoke very clearly. It was a great opportunity for the children to share some of their learning with their family members.

School Trips

Last week the majority of our children went on their school visits, these included Northumberland Zoo, Centre for Life and London.

As always the behaviour of our children is positively commented on by others. An example being that whilst visiting Madame Tussauds in London several members of the public approached staff to comment on the exemplary behaviour of our children in comparison to the other schools visiting. We are extremely proud of all our children and we know you will be too!

Sports day and Summer Fair

Next Thursday we are planning our Sports Day/Summer Fair (weather permitting).

A decision will be made no later than 10am on Thursday as to whether the planned sports day will go ahead as the field needs to suitably dry and safe for children to run on.

Plans if the Sports Day does go ahead:

Gates from Ashfield Terrace (near Portakabin) will be opened at 12:45pm. Whilst this may seem obvious to most parents we must make you aware that no alcoholic drinks are to be brought onto the school grounds—if staff suspect you do have alcohol with you they will ask you to leave immediately and refusal to do so may result in the police being called.

Photographs cannot be shared on social media and are for personal use only.

Following the 'races' there will be a small number of stalls (to date we have four parent volunteers) and there will be hot and cold drinks for sale. Families should vacate the premises by 3:15pm

Plans if the Sports Day does not go ahead:

Our parent volunteers will have stalls available in the school hall from 2pm. Families should vacate the premises by 3:15pm

School Lunches—Week beginning Monday 7th July

Monday: Chicken korma. Rice, naan bread & peas - School cake

Tuesday: Fish fingers, potato wedges, sweetcorn & carrots or beans - Flap jack

Wednesday: Roast chicken, stuffing, yorkshires, roast pots & mixed veg - Rice pudding & sauce

Thursday: Meatballs in tomato & basil sauce, pasta, peas & carrots - Chocolate krispie

Friday: Margarita or pepperoni pizza, chips, sweetcorn or beans - Pudding of the day

Last week's taster session was very popular with the children and we hope they shared their thoughts with you—I am sure the improved menu will be very popular next year.

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

Date	Year	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday—Spring Term only	Rec, Y1 and Y2	Swimming	Last session is Wednesday 16th July
Thursday 10th July	All	Sports Day/ Summer Fair 1pm doors open (Ashfield Terrace gates) 12:45pm Gates open 1pm Sporting events on field 2pm Summer Fair (if sufficient number of stalls organised)	<i>Parents wishing to organise and work on a stall please contact the school office.</i>
Thursday 10th July	Y6	Disco	Rugby Club Deadline for payment is 12noon Wed 2nd July
Thursday 17th July	Y6	Leavers Assembly	Start at 4:30pm. Doors open at 4:20pm
Friday 18th July	All	School Closes for Summer Break Collection times: Reception/Y1/Y2 1:05pm Years 3&4 1:10pm Years 5&6 1:15pm After School Club until 3:30pm	School reopens Tuesday 2nd September for the new academic year
Tuesday 2nd September	All	School reopens at 8:30am	