

**Friday 18th
November 2022**



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Shilbottle newsletter

Dear Parents and carers,

Celebrations

Class	Star	Presentation	Reading
R	Dougie	Harriet	
1	Kaitlin	Cassius	
2	Gracie	Zara	
3	Francesca	April	Amelia
4	Lydia	Anna	Lydia Luisa Alicia
5	Charlotte	Phoenix	Hamish Rhys Ivy Jasmine
6	Tommy	Maia	James P
Headteacher Awards: Harriet (R) & Phoenix (5)			
Highest Class Attendance this week: Year 3 & 5 with 100% Whole School Attendance: 94.9% (Target 96%)			

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

Reception: Autumn
Years 1&2: What do Hindu's celebrate
Years 3&4: Christianity
Year 5: Islam
Year 6: Humanism

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

Reception: Light and dark
Years 1&2: Who was Buddha?
Years 3&4: Christianity
Year 5: Judaism
Year 6: The Christmas Storey

Whole School Assemblies

This week our theme was 'Should we ever have to change our appearance?' and it was linked to a recent news story about fairness for all. This was also linked to the Fundamental British Value of the Rule of Law and our continued links to the United Nations Rights of a Child.

Ant-Bullying Week

This week has also been 'Anti-Bullying Week' the children have taken part in some excellent discussions and debates regarding this topic. They are aware that bullying is repeated over a period of time with the intention of hurting someone physically or emotionally. Children were in agreement that whilst weeks dedicated to highlighting issues such as Anti-Bullying are helpful that in reality every week is anti-bullying week. Our main aim of this week has been to emphasise to children that they cannot deal with bullies alone and need to talk to someone about it and this applies beyond their time at our school. Alongside this we have shared ideas about how to tackle online bullying. These included not deleting any offensive messages or images as these can be used as evidence against bullies and again the importance of telling a trusted adult about any online bullying they may experience.

Reading for Pleasure Books

Thank you for the donations received so far! If you have any children books, comics or magazines (in good condition) that you wish to donate to the school for the children's 'Reading for Pleasure' book areas they would be greatly appreciated.

KS2—Year 6 SATs

Please note as the additional bank holiday has been announced as Monday 8th May 2023 we are expected changes to the dates which the children will sit their SATs papers as they had previously been scheduled to start on this date. When we are aware of the new dates we will update our school calendar on the newsletter accordingly.

Cost of Living/ Free Sweatshirt letters

Yesterday you should have received two letters from us, so if you have not had a chance to check them yet please look out for them.

Children in Need Day

Many thanks to all those who donated either via the school or online!

Arriving safe at school

A couple of parents have expressed their concerns about children coming to school on their bikes/scooters. Apparently some children are moving between the paths and roads without looking for vehicles coming from behind them. We have addressed this in school and we are continuing our Bikeability programme later in the year but may I remind you it is a parents responsibility to ensure their children arrives at school safely.

Robin Webb—Stop Motion Animation

Yesterday our Year 3s and 4s were fortunate to work with Robin Webb on a Stop/Motion animation. This involved them creating their own animations through a series of pictures they had drawn. As always the children were very enthusiastic and our visitor commented on their impeccable manners! Thanks again the Community Foundation charity for funding this.

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

Date	Year	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday	3&4	Swimming	
Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd Nov	All	Parent Meetings	Time will be confirmed via Dojo
Tuesday 13th December	All	Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumper Day	Jumpers optional
Wednesday 14th December	R/1/2	Nativity (School hall)	2pm-3pm -Families with children
Thursday 15th December	R/1/2	Nativity (School hall)	2pm-3pm Adults
Thursday 15th December	All	Carol Service at St James Church	5:30—6:30
Monday 19th December	6	Christmas celebration	
Tuesday 20th December	5	Christmas celebration	
Wednesday 21st December	3&4	Christmas Party	
Thursday 22nd December	R/1/2	Christmas Party	
Friday 23rd December	All	School closes for Christmas break	Close at 2pm <i>No After School Club</i>
2023			
Tuesday 10th January	All	School reopens 8:30am	
Monday 8th May	All	Additional Bank Holiday—King Charles III coronation	School will reopen Tues 9th May
<i>Monday 8th to Thursday 11th May</i>	Year 6	SATS week (<i>Note due to new Bank Holiday on Mon 8th May these are subject to change</i>)	
Wednesday 14th to Friday 16th June		Y6 London Visit	
Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th July	Years 3&4	Robinwood Residential	