



# Shilbottle Primary Newsletter

Week 26 – 29

March 2019



## P.T.A. Mother's Day

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Pringle and the other parents who gave up their time to make scented candles with **all** of the children on Thursday and to everyone for their kind donations – the children enjoyed carefully selecting their gift for mum 😊



## DECORATED EASTER EGGS

### & RUGBY CUPS



Get your thinking hats on and eggs boiled ready for the decorated egg competition ... Please bring in your entries before or after school on Wed 3 April.

**Open viewing of the Heineken & European Rugby Cups and Decorated Eggs on Thursday 4 April 9:30 – 11:30**

## STAR OF THE WEEK

RECEPTION: Alfie B

YEAR 1: Lucas A

YEAR 2: Jacob O

YEAR 3: Robin Wood Stars

YEAR 4: Robin Wood Stars

YEAR 5: Corey H

YEAR 6: Adam A



## FRIDAY 5 APRIL

**End of Term: 2 p.m.**

**After school Club closes: 4.30pm**



We'll see you back for the summer term on Tuesday, 23 April @ 8:40 a.m.

## PRESENTATION AWARD

RECEPTION: Crystal E

YEAR 1: Kayla M

YEAR 2: Imogen R

YEAR 3: Full Class

YEAR 4: Full Class

YEAR 5: Joshua J & Sian G

YEAR 6: Noah H



## HEAD TEACHER AWARD

KS1 – Phoenix P

KS2 – Finlay M



## ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK

Y4 PUPILS

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Shilbottle Primary is definitely a place of "**Fun, Respect and Friendship**" and this was evident in the Year 3 and Year 4 residential. Robinwood gives the children the opportunity to learn and work together in a different environment, with all children succeeding well beyond what had been expected. From developing new skills, challenging themselves to overcome fears, being a team leader, gaining confidence to speak in a group, improving problem solving skills or overcoming physical challenges, all children did themselves, their parents and Shilbottle Primary proud. Our excellent team leaders ensured all children gained the most possible from their experience and provided the children with valuable life skills and some very happy memories that will stay with them for a long time. And we all survived



## Match Report Football v St Michael's

Thursday 28 March 2019

This week saw our U11 football team compete at home against St Michael's Primary in the School League.

The players felt the final result came from teamwork, good communication, strategic passing and good defending. We had a switch of goalkeeper from Ben to Adam D at half time and finished the match with a 5 – 0 win 😊 Next week they play their final group match away to Whittingham Primary.

Man of the Match: Callum L 😊

## Friendly Frogs Pre School Nursery

Do you have a child or know someone who does [aged 2 – 4 years] who is ready for Pre-School Nursery? A small number of spaces are available so ... call in and have a look!

### Children younger than 2?

Have you put their name on the Friendly Frogs waiting list to secure their place?



## Friendly Frogs Holiday Club

Please email us at [info@friendlyfrogs.co.uk](mailto:info@friendlyfrogs.co.uk) to book your spaces 😊 there is limited availability.

Monday: Sporty  
Tuesday: Messy (slime & gloop)  
Wednesday: Cookery  
Thursday: Movies & popcorn  
Friday: Own choice

### **Hours/Prices**

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. **£18.00**

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **£10.00**

1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **£10.00**

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## What parents need to know about VPNs

Although a great privacy tool in the right hands, VPNs can be dangerous for children and let them bypass restrictions you have on web browsing.

### What is a VPN?

A Virtual Private Network (VPN) is a privacy tool used to hide internet activity from prying eyes. Without a VPN, internet traffic is sent directly from your computer or smartphone, letting anyone in-between you and a website or service that you're accessing (such as a wireless hotspot owner or your ISP) see what you're doing. With a VPN, a secure tunnel is created between your computer or phone and what's known as the endpoint. The endpoint is merely the part of the internet where your connection comes out and can be in the same country as you or located anywhere else in the world.

Using a VPN has two main effects. First, as the tunnel is fully encrypted, nobody between you and the final endpoint can see what you're up to. Secondly, as all of your traffic looks as though it's coming from the endpoint, you can further avoid being tracked and monitored, hiding your real location from everyone.

VPNs have many legitimate uses. For example, running a VPN when on a wireless hotspot or hotel network that you don't trust, gives you additional security. There's also improved privacy by using a VPN, preventing ad networks and the like from tracking you and working out where you live. VPNs are also often used to bypass protections, say watching UK streaming TV when abroad by pretending that you're still in the UK. The way a VPN works means that children can also use VPNs to hide what they're doing and get around any restrictions that you might have in place.



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### MEET OUR EXPERT

This guide has been written by David Ludlow. David has been a technology journalist for more than 20 years, covering everything from internet security to the latest computing trends and the smart home. A father of two (a nine-year-old and a six-year-old), he's had to control and manage how his children access online services and use apps.



### What are the risks?

There are three main issues with VPN usage by children, potentially affecting their privacy (and yours), and opening them up to seeing inappropriate content.

#### 1) Viewing age-inappropriate content

Parental control tools work by looking at the sites that a child is trying to visit, and then blocking according to a list of what's not allowed. With a VPN, the secure tunnel that's created means that web traffic can't be viewed, so parental controls stop working. Once on the open internet, a child using a VPN can look at anything they like unrestricted. This isn't just at home. Children that are allowed to take devices into school for work purposes can also use VPNs to bypass any filters that have been set up on the school network, too. VPNs can both be in software and via what's known as a proxy website. With a proxy website, a child visits this, then enters in a blocked website address that they want to view. The blocked website is then downloaded and viewed through the proxy, sidestepping any parental protection.

#### 2) Malware infections

Installing any unknown application is fraught with danger, and the same applies to many free VPN applications. In an investigation, it was found that 38% of free Android VPNs contained malware, with 75% also designed to track activity. By installing suspect software, a child may be opening themselves up to being spied on and their private details being stolen. If you use a shared device with a child, an infection can also affect you. Malware can spread, and there's then a higher risk to other devices on your network. There's a chance that a dodgy VPN will use your computer and internet bandwidth, too. Back in 2015, the free Hola VPN extension was found to be secretly selling its users' bandwidth via another service and, in some cases, users' internet connections were being used for illegal activity.

#### 3) Free VPNs can spy on people

The best commercial VPNs are built around privacy and have strict rules about hiding activity, not spying on users and not logging data. These tools are built for adults who wish to protect their anonymity. Children often go for free VPNs and proxy websites, which have a less strict code of ethics. Many free VPNs have been found to spy on activity, store private information and even sell this data on. When using a VPN like this, dodgy adverts and pop-ups can be inserted into web traffic, beyond the harmful things that your child may already be viewing.

### What parents can do

Although the risks might seem entirely different, the protection from VPNs is the same for all of the threats.

#### Filter VPN sites

Check the parental controls software that you're using to see if there's a filter to block VPN/Proxy traffic. If this is selected, it will prevent most known VPNs from working, along with proxy websites.

#### Block VPN applications

Stopping and removing any VPN applications running on a child's device is a must. If you have parental control software that can restrict application use, make sure that you investigate any application that your child wants to install and block all VPNs. If you've recently enabled any applications, go back and check what they're used for and remove any VPNs that you find. If you don't have software to check what's running on a child's devices, then you should manually check. Searching for an application with VPN in the name is a good idea. Look out for tell-tale signs, too: computers and phones will usually display a different connection symbol when a VPN is connected. You can also use a child's computer to try and view a restricted website to ensure that filtering is still in place.

#### Monitor your child's online activity

In order to prevent your children from falling prey to inappropriate content, it's important to monitor your child's internet usage and have open and honest discussions with them about their online activities.

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## Dates at a glance [so far...]

Tues 2 April	U11 Football v Whittingham [A]	U11 team	3:30 – 4:30
Wed 3 April	Beach School @ Boulmer	Reception	All day
Thurs 4 April	Quicksticks Competition @ DCHS	KS2	3:30 – 5:00
6 Apr – 22 April	<b>EASTER HOLIDAY ☺</b>		
8 Apr – 12 April	Friendly Frogs Holiday Club	All welcome [2 – 11 yrs]	8:30 – 5:30
TBC	PTA Easter BINGO	All welcome	TBC
Sat 20 April	Friendly Frogs Easter Fair @ school	All welcome	11:00 – 2:30
Wed 24 April	School Games Qualifier – netball	U11 teams	3:30 – 5:00
Fri 26 April	Marine Plastic Beach School	Year 5	9:00 – 3:00
Mon 29 April	School Games Qualifier – Quadkids	U11 team	1:00 – 3:00
Mon 29 April	School Games Qualifier – Quadkids	U9 team	1:00 – 3:00
Tues 30 April	District Nurse PSHE talk	Year 5	1:00 – 2:00
Thurs 2 May	U11 Girls Football v Swarland [H]	U11 team	3:30 – 5:00
6 May	<b>MAY BANK HOLIDAY ☺</b>		
Wed 8 May	Beach School @ Low Newton	Reception	All day
Thurs 9 May	PARA SCHOOL GAMES DAY	KS2	All day
Fri 10 May	School Games Qualifier – tennis	Year 4 team	12:00 – 2:00
13 May – 16 May	Key Stage 2 SATs Week	Year 6	Mornings
Wed 15 May	Beach School @ Boulmer	Reception	All day
Mon 20 May	School Games – Personal Best	Year 3	10:00 – 12:00
Tues 21 May	Rounders Competition @ Hipsburn	KS2	3:30 – 5:00
Thurs 23 May	U11 Girls Football v Swarland [A]	U11 team	3:30 – 5:00
25 May – 2 June	<b>½ TERM HOLIDAY ☺</b>		
5 – 7 June	London Residential	Year 6	All day
Fri 14 June	PTA Father's Day Stall	Whole School	9:00 – 2:00
Mon 17 June	School Games – Personal Best	Year 4	10:00 – 12:00
Thurs 27 June	TBC: Musical Roots @ Alnwick Garden	Year 3	TBC
Fri 28 June	Sports Day	Whole School	1:00 start
Fri 28 June	PTA School Fayre [after Sports Day]	Whole School	1:45 – 3:30
Mon 1 Jul	Y6 Sport Transition Festival @ DCHS	Year 6	9:00 – 12:00
Wed 3 July	Coquet Shorebase Watersports	Year 5	All day
Wed 3 July	Druridge Bay – Beach / Country Park	Reception	All day
Thurs 4 July	Transition Day for DCHS	Year 6	All day
Thurs 4 July	Move Up Day for school	Reception – Year 5	All day
Wed 17 July	Transition Beach School	Year 6	All day
Fri 19 July	End of Term – Summer Holidays ☺	Whole School	2:00
20 July – 1 Sept	<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY ☺</b>		
Mon 2 Sept	<b>STAFF TRAINING – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>		
Tues 3 Sept	School Starts	Whole School	8:40

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## What's on in the wider community...

<b>All Stars Cricket</b>	<a href="https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars/register-interest-for-2018">https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars/register-interest-for-2018</a> Alnmouth CC, Alnwick CC or Warkworth CC
<b>Alnmouth Golf Club</b>	<a href="#">Alnmouth Golf Club - juniors</a>
<b>Alnmouth Juniors FC</b>	Thursday night training
<b>Alnwick Academy of Dance</b>	<a href="#">Alnwick Academy of Dance</a>
<b>Alnwick Bears RLFC</b>	<a href="http://www.alnwickbears.co.uk">www.alnwickbears.co.uk</a>
<b>Alnwick Highland Dancers</b>	Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00, Lindisfarne Middle School Hall Reception upwards
<b>Alnwick Junior Harriers</b>	Tuesday & Thursday 6 – 7 pm @ Lindisfarne Sports Centre contact Alison Hutchings on: <a href="mailto:ah.juniorharriers@gmail.com">ah.juniorharriers@gmail.com</a>
<b>Alnwick Town Juniors FC</b>	<a href="http://www.alnwicktownjuniors.co.uk/">http://www.alnwicktownjuniors.co.uk/</a>
<b>Amble Junior Netball</b>	Thursday evenings [6:30 – 7:30pm] for Y3 upwards at James Calvert Spence College [JCSC] Amble. Y2 are welcome but parents need to stay. £1.50 per week.
<b>Alnwick Mini &amp; Juniors Rugby [Year 1 upwards]</b>	Every Sunday 10:30 – 12 noon ☺ Year 1 – Year 3 = tag rugby; Year 4 upwards = contact rugby.
<b>Beavers, Cubs &amp; Scouts</b>	Wednesday evenings, Felton or Alnwick <a href="mailto:info@northumberlandscouts.org.uk">info@northumberlandscouts.org.uk</a>
<b>Coquet Shorebase</b>	<a href="https://www.coquetshorebase.org.uk/">https://www.coquetshorebase.org.uk/</a> windsurfing, kayaking, sailing and more
<b>Cricket</b>	Juniors [Y3 – Y8] Alnmouth, Alnwick, Warkworth Cricket Clubs
<b>FC Amble Juniors</b>	<a href="#">FC Amble Juniors</a>
<b>Felton Juniors FC</b>	<a href="#">Felton juniors</a>
<b>Judo Alnwick</b>	<a href="https://www.getintomartialarts.com">Alnwick Judo https://www.getintomartialarts.com</a> Monday, 4:00 – 4:45 pm
<b>Karate</b>	Monday and Friday evenings @ Willowburn
<b>Longhoughton Rangers FC</b>	<a href="#">Longhoughton Rangers Football Club</a>
<b>Rainbows, Brownies and Guides</b>	Register your interest at <a href="https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk/">https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk/</a> Monday evenings during term time at Warkworth Primary School.

## Newcastle United Foundation:

Please see the link below in regards to booking onto our Dance Week over Easter at St James' Park. If you can try and book on by Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to avoid missing out!

<https://nufoundation.org.uk/soccer-schools/holiday-soccer-schools/>

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