

**Friday 22nd
September 2023**

Dear Parents and carers,

Celebrations



Class	Star	Presentation	Reading
R	Abigail	Sunny	
1	Thomas	Emily	
2	Stanley	Rosie	
3	Bobby	Joey T	
4	Rebecca	Donnie	
5	Amelia	Year 5	
6	Jay	Year 6	
Headteacher Awards: Rosie (2) and Tommy (4)			
Highest Class Attendance this week: Reception, Year 1 & 2 with 100% Whole School Attendance: 96.6% (Target 96%)			

(Please let us know if your child needs a special mention in our newsletter for their achievements outside of school).

This week Esmae has achieved her Stage 1 swimming certificate and Eric has achieved his Stage 4 swimming certificate! Well done—we are all very proud of you!

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

Reception: Hinges & Catches DT

Years 1 & 2: Famous Explorers

Years 3 & 4: Iron Age

Year 5 & 6: Anglo Saxon's

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

Reception: Painting –Art

Years 1 & 2: My body-Science

Years 3 & 4: Science

Year 5 & 6: Forces-Science

Restricted Parking

Local residents should have received a letter about the delivery of the Portokabin units next week detailing the plans to enable the new Portokabin to be delivered. Mrs Lowes sent a copy of this via Parentmail on Monday. Where possible, we ask that families walk to and from school to limit traffic next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you would be interested in this post please contact the school and we can arrange an informal chat about what it involves. If we have several parents interested we would then hold an election. Many thanks for your support.

Reception Baseline

Last Friday the NFER (National Foundation for Educational Research) selected our school to visit to observe the reception class baseline assessments and discuss how the children transitioned into Reception. Dr Preston was overwhelmingly impressed by the children and the school transition process. A huge thanks to the Miss Harrison, Miss Hedley and Mr Wilke for all their hard work.

Reception—January 2024 intake.

If you have any younger siblings, or know of any new families with young children, we would like to make you aware that we will be once again taking children who turn 4 years of age before school reopens in January 2024 (Monday 8th) into our Pre-Reception class. Please contact the school office with your email address and phone number and we can arrange a pre-visit and a discussion.

Shilbottle newsletter

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Lunches

Next week the meal options are:

Monday Chicken Korma, rice & nann - Chocolate Cake

Tuesday Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes & veg - Ice cream roll

Wednesday Soup & sandwich - Rice pudding

Thursday Sausage roll, pasta & sweetcorn - Rice crispy squares

Friday Chicken goujons, chips & beans - Muffins/pudding of the day

(All subject to change)

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

Date	Year	Event	Notes
Every Wednesday	All	Swimming—Years 5 and 6	Spring term Y3/4 Summer term R/1/2
Sunday 24th September	All	St James'—'Pet Service' Families with pets welcome to attend.	3pm at St James' Church
Monday 25th September	Rec	Visit to St James' Church (afternoon) In school for lunch	Coats and sensible footwear please
Saturday 30th September	All	Amicale Coffee Morning at Community Hall	10-12 Raffle
Thursday 12th October	3&4	Visit to St James' Church	In school for lunch
Thursday 26th October	All	St James' Church Harvest Festival 1:30pm	
Friday 27th October	All	End of Half Term	Normal closing time. After School 5:30pm
Tuesday 31st October	Year 6	Deadline for applications for High School—apply online via NCC School Admissions	
Monday 6th November	All	School reopens 8:30am	
Tuesday 21st November	1&2. 5&6	Puppetry Workshops (Visitors)	No cost to parents Charity Funded
Monday 11th December	R12	Christmas Cracker Workshop (Visitors)	No cost to parents Charity Funded
Tuesday 12th December	R12	Nativity Rehearsal (afternoon)	Families with small children
Wednesday 13th December	R12	Nativity Rehearsal (afternoon)	Adults only
Thursday 14th December	All	Christmas Carols and Songs 5:30pm start at St James Church	
Wednesday 20th December	All	Pantomime Visit Tyne Theatre Newcastle Peter Pan	No cost to parents Charity Funded Late return to school Approx 5:30pm
Friday 22nd December	All	School closes for Christmas	
Monday 8th January	All	School reopens 8:30am	