



Fun, Respect & Friendship – Every child matters to us

Shilbottle Primary Newsletter

Week 19 – 31 January 2020

Our amazing Young Writers have written fantastic stories – they're good enough to publish! Well done EVERYONE 😊



STAR OF THE WEEK

RECEPTION: Francesca S

YEAR 1: Cameron C

YEAR 2: Kayla M

YEAR 3: Ciara H

YEAR 4: Jay T

YEAR 5: Lana C

YEAR 6: Isobel B



After School



from 6 Jan

Monday	Ceilidh Band	Y2 – Y6
Tuesday	Football Foundation [U11 squad & friends]	Y5 – Y6
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday	Gymnastics / Apparatus	Y4 – Y6



NO SWIMMING



Tuesday, 4th February

Year 2 / Year 3 / Year 4

The pool is closed for maintenance.

SHILBOTTLE PRIMARY ANIMAL SANCTUARY

The animal sanctuary fund raiser which has been going on this week has been a successful event.

The children have raised £ for the cause.

Thank you to the staff members that put themselves in the firing line!



BEST PRESENTATION & HANDWRITING

RECEPTION: Rebecca H

YEAR 1: Alfie B

YEAR 2: Lucas P

YEAR 3: James G

YEAR 4: Erin A

YEAR 5: Lily K

YEAR 6: Hannah P



HEAD TEACHER AWARD

Sam Curran

Kayla Mowbray

Ellie Ashburn



ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK

Y3 = 100%

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Facebook is an online social media platform that has over 2 billion users across the globe. It was initially for university students but soon expanded out and since 2006, anyone over the age of 13 is able to join the platform. It is available on all devices from your desktop and laptop computer to smartphones and tablets. Users can add photos and videos, update their status, interact with others and catch up with the latest news. Despite requiring users to be over 13, there are no age verification measures and children can easily create an account. It's therefore important that parents familiarise themselves with the main features of the platform to ensure their young ones remain safe if and when they use it.



What parents need to know about FACEBOOK



ADDICTIVE NATURE

Facebook can be hugely addictive as it offers a physiological high and a quick reward cycle which comes from the likes and comments on shared posts. Communication is so instant now that teenagers are always checking, and it can sometimes feel like self-worth. This keeps children going back, encouraging them to post things and also increases the Fear Of Missing Out (FOMO) that is commonplace today. On the flip side, because of the way teenagers interact these days through Facebook and Facebook Messenger, they can seem addicted even when they're not.

CYBERBULLYING

Around a quarter of children have experienced online abuse, according to Ofcom's 2019 'Online Nation' report. Figures show that 23% have been cyberbullied, 39% subjected to abusive language and a fifth have been trolled. On Facebook, teenagers can receive communication in a number of ways, from private messages in Messenger to public comments on profiles, pages and posts to pages or groups set up just to torment a victim. Exclusion from pages or groups to cause the victim to feel left out has also been seen.

FUTURE IMPACT

Regardless of age, anything that's posted on Facebook, or other social media platforms, develops a personal brand and leaves a digital footprint that is there forever. It can be difficult to explain the consequences but many universities (and employers) look at Facebook before making a decision on accepting people. It is therefore wise to always think twice before posting anything online you wouldn't want people to hear or see offline.

STRANGERS/FAKE PROFILES

Generally, people are who they say they are online. That said, much like the real world, Facebook isn't free of malicious users and children have received friend requests from people they don't know, including individuals who may look to take advantage of young and impressionable children.

OVERSHARING

Facebook encourages you to share "what's on your mind" but children need to be aware of what they're revealing about themselves online. Facebook allows users to share their location, create live videos and much more. Some photos can be traced using file data, too, so it's important to keep a tight group and share only with people you know.

INAPPROPRIATE ADS

While Facebook is getting ever stricter on the content of ads and who they are targeted to, there is still the chance that children could be subject to ads during their experience on the platform. This could be innocuous but is worth bearing in mind when using the app.

LIVE STREAMING

Facebook Live provides users with the ability to stream video live-time to their friends and followers or watch other people's broadcasts live. During the video, people can react and comment and it's difficult to moderate the content given everything happens in real-time. This could mean your child is exposed to inappropriate material or worse still, could be coaxed into doing something online by others which they wouldn't normally do.

LIVE

42 people watching

PRIVATE MESSAGING

Facebook Messenger is closely linked to your Facebook profile and provides the ability to share private messages away from friends and family. It is therefore important that parents ask their children who they are communicating with and ensure that the only people they are exchanging messages with are people that they also know in real life.



Safety Tips For Parents

MAKE PROFILES PRIVATE

Within the settings of a Facebook account, you can choose whether a profile is public or private. Make sure that your child's setting is switched to private. This way they will only be able to interact with friends and people they know within the platform.

LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Show your children how and why you use Facebook. This will help to demonstrate that it can be used safely when used in an appropriate manner and help to reduce the risk of them encountering harmful content.

SHARE DEVICES

Depending on the age of your children, it's worth considering letting them use Facebook from a general family iPad or laptop. This allows them to use it without being constantly connected everywhere they go and may give you more reassurance around what they are doing on the app.

REPORT VIOLATIONS

On Facebook you're able to hide people or groups and report things that are harmful. Make sure you spend some time to show your children how this works and why it's important to do so before they start spending serious time on the platform.

RESPECT BOUNDARIES

As with anything, there are potential risks and dangers on Facebook but once you've talked about the ideas of safety on the platform, give children some space. Trust them to make smart choices but always be open to talking about social media.

CHECK-IN

Once they've had some time to use the platform, don't be afraid to check in and see if there's anything on Facebook they'd like to discuss. This isn't always easy but being open with your children is the best way to deal with any issues head on.

Meet our expert

Alex Wright is a former Facebook employee and social media expert with over 15 years' experience working in digital media. He has worked with some of the biggest organisations in the world and has a wealth of knowledge in understanding how social media platforms work and how they engage their audience.



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Dates at a glance [so far...]

Tues 4 Feb	NO Swimming	Y2 – Y4	
Thurs 6 Feb	Warburtons Healthy Sandwiches	Y1 – Y4	9:00 – 12:00
Thurs 6 Feb	Sportshall Athletics	U11 team	8:45 – 12:15
Thurs 6 Feb	Decimals and Percentages Workshop	Y5 – Y6	17:30 – 18:15
Fri 7 Feb	U11 Girls Football @ Newcastle	U11 squad of 8	12:00 – 4:00
Fri 14 Feb	STAFF TRAINING – SCHOOL CLOSED		
15 Feb – 23 Feb	FEBRUARY ½ TERM		
Thurs 27 Feb	Fractions Workshop	Y5 – Y6	17:30 – 18:15
Thurs 5 Mar	World Book Day	Whole School	All day
Thurs 12 Mar	Life Centre	Year 2	8:45 – 3:30
Thurs 12 Mar	Life Centre	Year 5	8:45 – 3:30
Fri 13 Mar	Sports Relief	Whole School	All day
Wed 25 Mar	League Football v St Paul's [away]	U11 team	3:30 – 4:30
Wed 1 Apr	League Football v Longhoughton [away]	U11 team	3:30 – 4:30
1 Apr – 3 Apr	Residential	Year 3 / Year 4	All day
Wed 1 Apr	DCHS treasure hunt		4:00 – 5:30
Thurs 2 Apr	Quicksticks Festival @ DCHS	Year 3 – Year 6	3:30 – 5:00
4 Apr – 19 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAY ☺		
Wed 29 Apr	School Games Quadkids qualifier	U9 [Y4 – Y3 team]	9:30 – 12:00
Wed 29 Apr	School Games Quadkids qualifier	U11 [Y5 – Y6 team]	12:45 – 3:00
Fri 8 May	BANK HOLIDAY for VE day	Whole School	All day
11 – 14 May	KS2 SATS	Year 6	9:00 – 12:00
23 - 31 May	MAY ½ TERM		
Mon 1 June	STAFF TRAINING – SCHOOL CLOSED		
3 – 5 June	London residential	Year 6	All day
Thurs 18 June	Kirkley Hall Zoo	Year 1	All day
Fri 19 June	Maths Challenge @ DCHS	Year 6	All day
Thurs 25 June	Musical Roots @ Alnwick Garden	Year 3 / Year 4 / Ceilidh	All day
Thurs 25 June	Northumberland School Games Day		All day
Fri 26 June	Sports Day & School Fair	Whole School	1:00 – 3:00
Wed 1 July	Northumberland County Zoo	Reception	All day
Fri 3 July	Maths Day @ DCHS	Year 5	TBC
Fri 17 July	End of Term	Whole School	2:00
18 July	SUMMER HOLIDAY ☺		

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What's on in the wider community...

Alnmouth Golf Club	Alnmouth Golf Club - juniors
Alnmouth Juniors FC	Thursday night training
Alnwick Academy of Dance	Alnwick Academy of Dance
Alnwick Bears RLFC	www.alnwickbears.co.uk
Alnwick Highland Dancers	Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00, Lindisfarne Middle School Hall Reception upwards
Alnwick Junior Harriers	Tuesday & Thursday 6 – 7 pm @ Lindisfarne Sports Centre contact Alison Hutchings on: ah.juniorharriers@gmail.com
Alnwick Town Juniors FC	http://www.alnwicktownjuniors.co.uk/
Amble Junior Netball	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.
Alnwick Mini & Juniors Rugby [Year 1 upwards]	Every Sunday 10:30 – 12 noon ☺ Year 1 – Year 3 = tag rugby; Year 4 upwards = contact rugby.
Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	Wednesday evenings, Felton or Alnwick info@northumberlandscouts.org.uk
Coquet Shorebase	https://www.coquetshorebase.org.uk/ windsurfing, kayaking, sailing and more
Cricket	Juniors [Y3 – Y8] Alnmouth, Alnwick, Warkworth Cricket Clubs
Dansformation	Dansformation Thursday 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. @ Alnwick Playhouse
FC Amble Juniors	FC Amble Juniors
Felton Juniors FC	Felton juniors
Judo Alnwick	Alnwick Judo https://www.getintomartialarts.com Monday, 4:00 – 4:45 pm
Karate	Monday and Friday evenings @ Willowburn
Longhoughton Rangers FC	Longhoughton Rangers Football Club
Morpeth Junior Hockey	Morpeth Juniors Hockey Club Sunday 9:30 – 11:00
Rainbows, Brownies and Guides	Register your interest at https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk/ Monday evenings during term time at Warkworth Primary School.

CAN YOU THINK OF ANY OTHER CLUBS WE COULD ADD?