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# Shilbottle newsletter

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Dear Parents and carers,  
**Celebrations**

Class	Star	Presentation
R	Sunny C	Reggie
1	Jonah	Harriet
2	Reggie	Oscar
3	Clayton	Joey T
4	Sienna	Jeni
5	Thomas	Amelia
6	Hamish	Charlotte
Teacher Award: Mr Parnaby		
Highest Class Attendance this week: Year 1 with 98.2% Whole School Attendance: 88.6% (Target 96%)		

*Please let us know if your child has been successful outside of school and we can share this with the wider school community.*

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

Reception: Planets and Space

Years 1& 2: Our World

Years 3& 4: Bee Conservation

Year 5& 6: Rivers

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

Reception: Chinese New Year

Years 1& 2: Science - Animal classification

Years 3& 4: Science - Rocks

Year 5& 6: Science - Materials

**Class Assembly Dates**

Please check the Dates for the Future section of the newsletter with the dates of the class assembly where the children will spend approximately twenty minutes sharing some of their learning from this year with families.

**Statutory Test Dates**

Please note the dates for children's tests as these apply to Years 1,2,4 and 6. Should children be absent on these dates the tests will be completed on their return. Parental support is extremely important and we ask you to encourage your child to read and practice their multiplication facts as often as possible.

**Bishop Visit**

Shilbottle Primary were visited by Bishop Helen-Ann (Bishop of Newcastle) and members of St James' Church to share the Christian celebration of Candlemas. Children discussed the meaning of Jesus' saying "I am the light of the World". Studying the biblical story of Jesus being taken to a temple in Jerusalem and being presented to the Lord and Simeon calling Jesus the light of the World.

With the support of our visitors, a class workshop followed, where children made Christingles before a collective worship in the hall.

Bishop Helen-Ann finished the afternoon by blessing our new Portakabin.

**Lunches next week (5th February)**

Monday: Chicken Korma with rice. Cake

Tuesday: Sausage, mash & carrots. Jelly

Wednesday: Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding and veg. Ice-cream roll

Thursday: Mini veg spring rolls, prawn crackers.

Chicken & noodles in curry sauce. Dragon Biscuit

Friday: Chicken goujons, chips and hoops/sweetcorn. Muffin

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Every Wednesday	Y3&4	Swimming—Years 3 and 4 First session 10th January	Summer term R/1/2
Every Wednesday	Y6	After School Booster classes 17th January to 8th May	Finishes at 4:30pm
Friday 2nd February	All	Bishop visiting school	
Friday 16th February	3/4	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm	Doors open 2:05pm
Friday 16th February	All	School closes for half term	Normal closing times
Monday 26th February	All	School reopens at 8:30am	
Tuesday 26th March	1/2	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm	Doors open 2:05pm
Thursday 28th March	All	School closes for Easter Break	School closes at 2:00 After school club 3:30
Monday 15th April	All	School reopens at 8:30am	
May	Y2	SATs test administered	
Monday 6th May	All	School closed—Bank Holiday	Reopens Tuesday 7th
Monday 13th May 24	Y6	SATs week	
Thursday 23rd May	All	School closes for half term	Normal closing times
Tuesday 4th June	Y4	National Multiplication Test	
Tuesday 4th June	All	School reopens at 8:30am	
Friday 7th June	5/6	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm	Doors open 2:05pm
Week commencing 10th June	Y1	Phonics Screening Tests	
Wednesday 12th June to Friday 14th June	Y6	London residential	
Thursday 20th June	R and Pre Rec	Class Assembly starts at 2:15pm	Doors open 2:05pm
Thursday 18th July	6	Leavers assembly 5pm	Doors open 4:45pm
Friday 19th July	All	School closes for Summer Break	School closes at 2:00 After school club 3:30

***Regards***  
***Mr G Parnaby—Headteacher***