

**Friday 24th June  
2022**

Dear Parents and carers,  
**Celebrations**



Class	Star	Presentation	Reading
R	Reception Class	Stanley S	
1	Gracie S	Charlotte C	
2	Donnie T	Zara C	
3	James R	Luisa J	
4	Jay W	Charlotte M	
5	Ciara H	Tommy Mc	
6	Finn B	Nuala H	Eva B
Headteacher Awards: Donnie T (2) F Driscoll (5)			

**Dates for the future**

Date	Year	Event	Notes
<b>2022</b>			
Every Wednesday —Spring term and Summer 2 Term	Y 3	Swimming	Swimming kits
Friday 1st July	All	Sports Day/Summer Fair (if rains will be rearranged for 8th July)	1:00 to 3:15
Monday 4th July	All	School closed	Reopens 5th
Tuesday 5th July	All	One Goal—Mental Health Day	
Wednesday 6th July	Y6	Transition Day	Y6 at DCHS
Friday 8th July	All	Sports Day/Summer Fair (only if 1st July needs to be cancelled)	1:00 to 3:15
Monday 11th July (4:30pm—5:30pm)	Y4 New Y5	Parent meet the new teacher	
Tuesday 12th July (4:30pm—5:30pm)	Y5 New Y6	Parent meet the new teacher	
Wednesday 13th July (4:30pm—5:30pm)	Y3 New Y4	Parent meet the new teacher	
Wednesday 13th July (4:30pm—5:30pm)	Y2 New Y3	Parent meet the new teacher	
Thursday 14th July (4:30pm—5:30pm)	R/1 New 1/2	Parent meet the new teacher	
Thursday 21st July	All	Year 6 Leavers Celebration	6:00pm to 7:30pm
Friday 22nd July	All	School closes at 2pm	After school closes at 4:30pm
Tuesday 6th Sept	All	School reopens for 22/23 academic year	Gates open 8:30am

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# Shilbottle newsletter

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

Reception: Minibeasts  
Years 1&2: Science Investigations  
Years 3: Science –Plants  
Year 4&5: Science-Changes  
Year 6: Science-Light/Leavers’ Performance

**After the half term break in our school the children will be learning about the following topics:**

Reception: Castles & Dragons  
Years 1&2: Science Investigations  
Years 3: Science –Plants  
Year 4&5: Science-Changes  
Year 6: Science-Light/Leavers’Performance

*Remember Topic Knowledge Organisers are available on the website to support any home learning activities.*

**Congratulations**

Morgan H & Lucas P performed to another class to show them how much fun and pleasure they get from playing the violin.

**Meet the new teacher sessions (reminder)**

Please refer to the ‘Dates for the Diary’ section of the newsletter for the meet the new teacher sessions. I have entered both the current and new year group to ensure you are able to attend the correct session. The purpose of these sessions is to discuss how we can continue to work together to ensure our children are supported both in school and at home.

The new Reception children will have an opportunity to meet their teacher on Wednesday 21st September as this is also allow parents and the teacher to discuss how they have been settling in.

**Educational visits**

Our Reception and Pre-Reception classes enjoyed two educational visits this week, first of all the visited Northumberland Zoo and were fortunate enough to see all the animals, including the snow leopards. Later in the week they were joined by Years 1 and 2 for the visit to Alnwick Castle where they enjoyed a tour of the castle and workshops such as flying a broomstick lessons! Again, all the staff and other visitors commented on the excellent manners and behaviour of all the children, a real credit to both their families and the school!

**Eric Thompson**

Sadly a past member of the school team Eric Thompson passed away a couple of weeks ago and his funeral is being held on Monday 27th June with the cortege leaving at 11:15am prior to a memorial service at St James Church at 1:15pm. Eric was the caretaker at the school between 1957 and 1994. Some staff attended the school as children while Eric worked here and fondly remember his close involvement with children and how he used to run the football team. Eric continued to keep his connection to the school right up to the pandemic when he would collect a take away roast meal each Wednesday. I am confident a large number of Shilbottle residents have fond memories of Eric and the difference he made to them personally. Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this difficult time.

*Regards*  
*Mr Parnaby*  
*Headteacher*