

Shanklea Stars of the Week

Flynne Spedding is making amazing progress in Phonics and is trying very hard with segmenting and blending.

Molly Craik is attentive, always tries her best and is a kind and thoughtful friend.

Zeva Vercueil is a teacher in the making. She has an excellent manner and shows great patience when it comes to sharing her knowledge and skills with her peers.

Luke Elwell is producing neat and careful writing. A great effort!

Cole Richardson has a fantastic attitude to his work. He listens really well and uses all the Maths strategies to achieve his objectives.

Zane Vercueil has a great attitude in English and always tries his best. His story writing is fantastic at school and at home.

Callum Bentinck Is making a super effort in Maths, completing some complex grid multiplication.

Josh Smith has made an excellent effort in our poetry lessons, creating some brilliant poems.

Rosie Sproat has a very good attitude in all lessons and has made great improvements in her handwriting.

Maisha Muhith is concentrating well in lessons and always gives her best.

Harry Hansom always wants to challenge himself and is putting in lots of effort.

Lydia Harper is doing fantastic work on mixed numbers and improper fractions.

Maddie Breen is producing thought provoking reflective writing in guided reading.

Lexie Short has a determined attitude to her learning.

Codi Cook is a really good help to staff as well as children at OOSC.

School 360 Design Competition

A huge thank you to everyone who entered the latest School360 design competition. We received some incredibly creative designs!

Shanklea Primary School had some fantastic winning entries with several designs being selected as runners up. You can see some of our favourite designs at <http://ngfl.northumberland.gov.uk/> website.

The winning entries are now being turned into digital themes by a graphic designer and will soon be available in School360. Congratulations to the Overall Winner, **Emily**, and the runners-up **Libby** and **Lewis**.



Shanklea Superstars

Shanklea Celebrates Chinese New Year

Our OOSC and Nursery have recently captured their pupils' imaginations by introducing them to a traditional Chinese story and the Chinese New Year.

The children brought the story to life by preparing and acting it out, using traditional music, costumes, and props, to make things more authentic. At our OOSC, we made a collection of Chinese scrolls and paper lanterns for decorations. The children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunities to use them.



Ducklings Arrive in Reception

The Reception children have had a very exciting first week back! Duck eggs were kindly delivered on Tuesday morning and by Wednesday some of the ducklings had hatched! By Friday morning we had five ducklings already.

We've had lots of fun getting to know them and the children have had the opportunity to hold the ducklings and learn about what is special about this specific breed. We will keep the ducklings next week and will continue to observe, write about them and learn about their life cycle.

We are becoming “eggs-perts!”





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Online Safety Important Information

Over the last few weeks Shanklea staff have become increasingly aware of the online activity of some pupils. Whilst online activity is part of modern life we feel it has become necessary to share our concerns with you as parents. We know that most of our pupils are fully aware of the issues surrounding online safety and the need to ensure they protect themselves with privacy settings: however discussions with older children indicate that they are not all applying their knowledge in practice.

Sharing of images

Increasingly, young children are using phones and tablets to create photos and videos and share them online. Whilst this can be fun, sharing images can also be risky.

It is important that your child understands what is acceptable to share and what they should discuss with you first.

What are the risks?

Once an image has been shared, you can never be sure who has seen it, saved it or shared it.

Personal or embarrassing pictures in the wrong hands can lead to bullying.

Knowing that others have seen embarrassing images can cause stress and anxiety and affect a child's confidence and self-esteem.

Unwanted pictures online could affect educational and job opportunities later in life.

Sharing images, particularly sexualised images, can increase the likelihood of a child receiving inappropriate sexual contact from strangers online.

We are aware that some children are sharing their personal photos on different apps such as **Snapchat**, **Instagram**, **Musically** – all of which have differing security features.

Group Chats

Many of our pupils also participate in group chats with their friends. These chats are a feature of many of the most popular apps. Sites that allow anonymity,

or content that appears to disappear, reduce inhibitions. Children and young people who would not be cruel face-to-face, and who do not see the consequences of their actions, may feel justified saying hurtful things online. We would ask you to discuss with your children the need to stop and think before they post or share something on the internet – about the potential impact for others and for themselves of what they might write in haste or on the spur of the moment.

Speaking to different pupils it is clear they see group chats as private if they are a group of friends; however on some platforms it is possible for any member of the group to add whoever they wish and past comments would still be available for them to see. In this way no one person can control who sees a group chat.

At present there are a number of social media features which encourage children to identify and name other children in response to unkind and derogatory questions. These can have a severe and detrimental effect on the identified child's self esteem.

As a result of these concerns we are undertaking a series of hard-hitting lessons with the pupils which will explain both the emotional and legal implications of their actions. As part of this we will ask them to share with you the apps they currently are using and what they are doing to ensure their own safety. We hope this will enable you to undertake a frank discussion with them.

We are only too aware at the speed at which activity on the internet changes and how difficult it is to remain up-to-date with the apps etc. If you do have questions or concerns about your child or any other child's activity please do not hesitate to contact us and we will do our best to support you in whatever way we can. Alternatively you can go online for support

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Concerned-about-your-child/>

Robinwood Parents Meeting

We would like to invite parents and carers of children going on the Robinwood residential visit to attend a meeting on **Tuesday 27th February at 3.30pm**.

We hope you can come along to find out more about this hugely enjoyable and educational trip.

Mrs Hagan's Class Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to come along to a special assembly delivered by Mrs Hagan's Year 4 class on **Tuesday 27th February at 3.30pm**.

Another Fantastic Valentine's Disco

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make our Valentines Disco such a huge success. The children (and staff had a fabulous time and we raised a fantastic **£404.72 profit**.



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Shanklea Primary School
Cramlington
School Holidays 2018–2019

| | School closes | School opens |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Training Day | Monday 8 th January 2018 | |
| Local Election | Thursday 8 th February 2018 | |
| Half Term Holidays | Friday 9 th February 2018 | Monday 19 th February 2018 |
| Training Day | Friday 16 th February 2018 | |
| Easter 2018 | Thursday 29 th March 2018 | Monday 16 th April 2018 |
| May Day | Monday 7 th May 2018 | |
| Half Term Holidays | Friday 25 th May 2018 | Monday 4 th June 2018 |
| Summer Holidays | Friday 20 th July 2018 | Tuesday 4 th September 2018 |
| Training Day | Monday 3 rd September 2018 | |
| Half Term Holidays | Thursday 25 th October 2018 | Monday 5 th November 2018 |
| Training Day | Friday 26 th October 2018 | |
| Christmas & New Year | Friday 21 st December 2018 | Tuesday 8 th January 2019 |
| Training Day | Monday 7 th January 2019 | |
| Half Term Holidays | Friday 15 th February 2019 | Monday 25 th February 2019 |
| Easter 2019 | Friday 5 th April 2019 | Tuesday 23 rd April 2019 |
| May Day Holiday | Monday 6 th May 2019 | |
| Half Term Holidays | Friday 24 th May 2019 | Monday 3 rd June 2019 |
| Summer 2019 | Friday 19 th July 2019 | Monday 2 nd September 2019 |



FAMILY SUPPORT AT THE DALES SCHOOL

ADOPTIVE PARENTS, AND CARERS OF LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

WEDNESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2018 1.00PM - 2.30PM
AT THE DALES SCHOOL

- Introduction to 'Carer's Northumberland', their Service and what they offer
- Meet with other Carers, and Parents of Adopted Children
- Training & Advice
- Build relationships

I would like to attend the Carers, and Parents of Adopted Children support group on Wednesday 28th February 2018 at 1.00pm.

Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Carer of: _____

School: _____



Attendance

| Year Group | Average Attendance % |
|------------|----------------------|
| Reception | 90.3 |
| 1 | 96.7 |
| 2 | 98.0 |
| 3 | 95.6 |
| 4 | 95.9 |
| 5 | 96.0 |
| 6 | 87.2 |

**BD2 is class of the week
with 99.0% attendance**

Author Visit – Suffrage

It has been 100 years since suffragette, Emily Davison, died campaigning for women's rights. In recognition of this important historical event – all KS2 Shanklea girls attended an event hosted by author and illustrator Kate Pankhurst.

Ms Pankhurst talked to the children about her books, about following their talents and aspirations whatever they might be, and how reading and creativity can support that journey. You can find out more about her on her website at www.katepankhurst.com

Nowadays in the UK, women have the same rights as men, but that wasn't always the case. In the early 20th century women didn't have the same rights as men - they couldn't vote in elections and the vast majority could only get jobs as house servants.

The gathering of Cramlington primary children promoted that anything actually is possible if you put your mind to it. The event and Ms Pankhurst's books aim to show everyone present that the world would be a very different place if it wasn't for the determination of women. Equally, boys can access the books and feel inspired and enjoy each story of adventure, discovery and bravery.



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Spring 2 Timetable

| Week 1 | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday 19 th February 2018 | School re-opens ER3 Swimming begins, p.m. Y6 English Boosters, p.m Special Assembly – School 360 Competition, 2.55p.m |
| Tuesday 20 th February 2018 | EYFS ducklings arrive EYFS Futsal training, p.m Y5 Anti-Bullying workshop, p.m |
| Wednesday 21 st February 2018 | Toddler Group, 9.15-10.30a.m Y6 Maths Boosters, p.m |
| Thursday 22 nd February 2018 | Y2 History Workshops, p.m. Special Assembly – Y1, Y2 Great Fire of London.2.55p.m. SB6 Swimming begins, p.m. Y2 SATs parents' meeting, 3.30p.m |
| Friday 23 rd February 2018 | Great Fire of London, Y1 History Workshops, p.m Y5, Y6 Bike Crew, 4 mile training session, p.m |
| Week 2 | |
| Monday 26 th February 2018 | ER3 Swimming, p.m Y6 English Boosters, p.m |
| Tuesday 27 th February 2018 | EYFS Futsal training, p.m Class Assembly – SH4 – 2.45p.m Y5 Robinwood Parent Meeting, 3.30 p.m. |
| Wednesday 28 th February 2018 | Little Monkeys Toddler Group, 9.15-10.30a.m Y6 Maths Boosters, p.m. |
| Thursday 1 st March 2018 | SB6 Swimming, p.m. |
| Friday 2 nd March 2018 | World Book Dressing Up Day |
| Week 3 | |
| Monday 5 th March 2018 | EYFS Whitehouse Farm Visit ER3 Swimming, p.m. |
| Tuesday 6 th March 2018 | EYFS Futsal training, p.m. Class Assembly – AK4 – 2.45p.m OOSC Open Evening, 3.30p.m onwards |
| Wednesday 7 th March 2018 | Little Monkeys Toddler Group, 9.15-10.30a.m Y6 Maths Boosters, p.m Nursery, Reception -Y5 Parent Consultation Meeting, 3.30-6.00p.m |
| Thursday 8 th March 2018 | YR6 G&T Maths and Science Transition Day - JLV. 5 pupils to attend. YR 5 BOYS YR 5/6 GIRLS Football Competition CLV 20 Children attending SB6 Swimming, p.m Nursery, Reception -Y5 Parent Consultation Meeting, 3.30-6.00p.m |
| Friday 9 th March 2018 | |
| Week 4 | |
| Monday 12 th March 2018 | Y5 Robinwood Residential Trip Monday—Wednesday Vision Screening for Reception children who missed initial screening ER3 Swimming p.m Y6 English Boosters, p.m |
| Tuesday 13 th March 2018 | EYFS Futsal training, p.m Reception and Y6 Heights and Weights |
| Wednesday 14 th March 2018 Y5 Robinswood Residential Trip | Little Monkeys Toddler Group, 9.15-10.30a.m Y6 Maths Boosters, p.m Class Assembly ER3, 2.45p.m YR 6 NETBALL COMPETITION CLV 18 Children attending Nursery Open Evening |
| Thursday 15 th March 2018 | SB6 Swimming, p.m |
| Friday 16 th March 2018 | |



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| Week 5 | Science Enrichment Week |
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| Monday 19 th March 2018 | ER3 Swimming, p.m. Y6 English Boosters, p.m. |
| Tuesday 20 th March 2018 | Nursery Easter Crafts am & pm EYFS Futsal training, p.m |
| Wednesday 21 st March 2018 | Little Monkeys Toddler Group, 9.15-10.30a.m Squirrels Open Evening, 3.30-4.30p.m SEND Parents' Consultation Day with SENDCOs 9am -3.30pm Community Get Together 4.00—5.00pm |
| Thursday 22 nd March 2018 | Year 5 Skipping Competition @ Blyth Sports Centre, a.m Y5 Robinwood Parent Assembly, 2.45p.m SB6 Swimming, p.m. YR 6 MIXED HOCKEY COMPETITION CLV 12 children attending, 3.30-5.30p.m |
| Friday 23 rd March 2018 | |
| Week 6 | |
| Monday 26 th March 2018 | ER3 Swimming, p.m. Y6 English Boosters, p.m |
| Tuesday 27 th March 2018 | EYFS Futsal training, p.m. Musical Community Concert, 5.00-6.30p.m |
| Wednesday 28 th March 2018 | Little Monkeys Toddler Group, 9.15-10.30a.m |
| Thursday 29 th March 2018 | Last day of term - FOS Easter Themed Event SB6 Swimming, p.m. YR 5 MIXED HOCKEY COMPETITION CLV 12 children attending, 3.30-5.30p.m Easter Holidays begin |

P.E. Days

Extra-curricular Clubs

| | Breakfast Session | Lunch | After school session 3.30-4.30p.m |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Monday | | KS2 Musical Theatre | Y4/5/6 Football Y5 Skipping |
| Tuesday | | | Y5/6 Hockey Y5/6 Art |
| Wednesday | | Y5/6 Choir | |
| Thursday | KS2 Go Noodle Dance | KS1 Choir | Y1/2/3 Rockets Y6 Homework Y3/4 Tri-Golf |

| | Class |
|-----------|------------------------------------|
| Monday | JR1; BD2; CC2; LG5; DC5; |
| Tuesday | KLR; DAC1/SH1; DW3; |
| Wednesday | ER3; DW3; SH4; AK4; SB6; SM6 |
| Thursday | MSR; BD2; CC2; ER3; |
| Friday | DAC1/SH1; JR1; SH4 |

Children should have their P.E. kit with them EVERY DAY to allow flexibility with timetables.