



Shanklea Primary School

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Shanklea Mini Police



Based in primary schools, Mini Police is a fun and interactive volunteering opportunity for 9 to 11-year-old children. Led by Shanklea school staff and supported by police, children will learn about policing issues, staying safe and undertaking some volunteering activity in support of a local policing priority. As well as benefitting the community, research highlights the benefits for the personal development of young people involved as well the positive benefits this can have on their overall trust and confidence in the police.

Our mission is to transform our Cramlington community, reduce crime and increase the public's confidence in policing and become a force for social change. The overarching aim is to break the intergenerational cycle of crime in areas by creating safe, confident communities in which people can thrive and adopting a long-term preventative approach in order to do so.

The Mini Police programme provides such a response and could help you in your own mission! We are so proud of our new recruits.



Tri-Golf Stars



Well done to the children who represented Shanklea at the Tri-Golf competition against other schools at Astley Community High School this week. Overall, we came a very creditable 3rd with some great effort and enthusiasm shown by the team. Well done to **Katie C, Libby B, Tyler C, Riley K, Daniel M, Gabriella C, Jessica C, Lucas B, Jessica C, and Logan M.**

Jui Jitsu Year 1 and 2 Taster Classes

This week, our younger pupils tried Jiu Jitsu, a competitive martial art, similar to wrestling and judo.

The children took part in classes full of fun drills and games which encouraged development of strength, stamina and coordination while at the same time learning an exciting new skill.

The sessions were fun and dynamic but also focussing on respectful behaviour, discipline, and always reinforcing the idea that continuous effort reaps rewards. The children certainly got a good mental and physical workout while learning some important life lessons!

The team of instructors were fully qualified, having relevant certification from the sport's national governing body, as well as regular first aid training and a DBS check.

The children showed great enthusiasm and some great skills. Well done, everyone.



Last week's attendance

Class of the week with **99.3%** attendance is

JR1/2

Well done
Years 1 and 2 for
top attendance

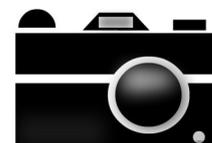
Year Group	Average Attendance %
Reception	92.5
1 and 2	98.1
3	95.8
4 and 5	97.2
6	97.0

School Photographs

Photographers will come into school on **Monday 4th November** to take photographs of children and sibling groups.

If your Nursery or Squirrels child does not attend school on Monday mornings please bring them in at 8.30am if you require a photograph.

Please note that parents and carers are responsible for supervising children until school starts.





Halloween Cake Spooktacular

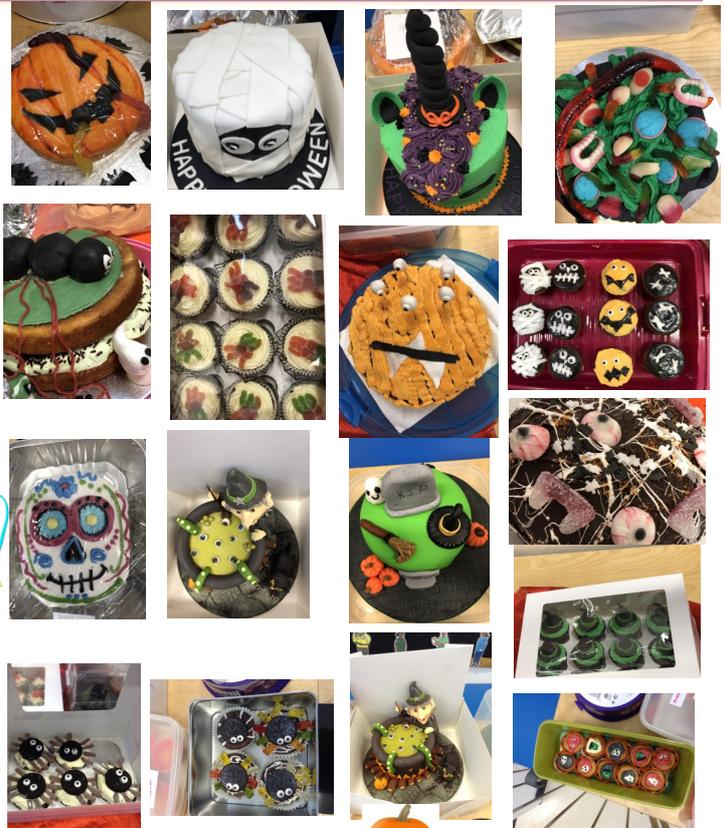
We are astonished by the amazing response and creativity on show at our 'Shanklea Spooktacular Bake Off'!

With all the funds raised going to Friends of Shanklea PTFA - everyone put their best bake forward when it came to creating Halloween-themed cakes. From ghosts to spiders, mummies to goey brains there was a whole range of frightening bakes to try!

With judging focusing on the main categories, Appearance and Texture, everyone at Shanklea HQ channelled their inner Paul, Prue (and Mary!) and scored the gruesome cakes accordingly. After the tough scoring process we were delighted that our star Baker was **Amber P-H**. Second place was awarded to **Lucy W. Molly** and **Joseph C** took 3rd place.

Overall, we had an amazing time at the event and we are delighted to have raised over **£300**.

A big thank you to all involved!

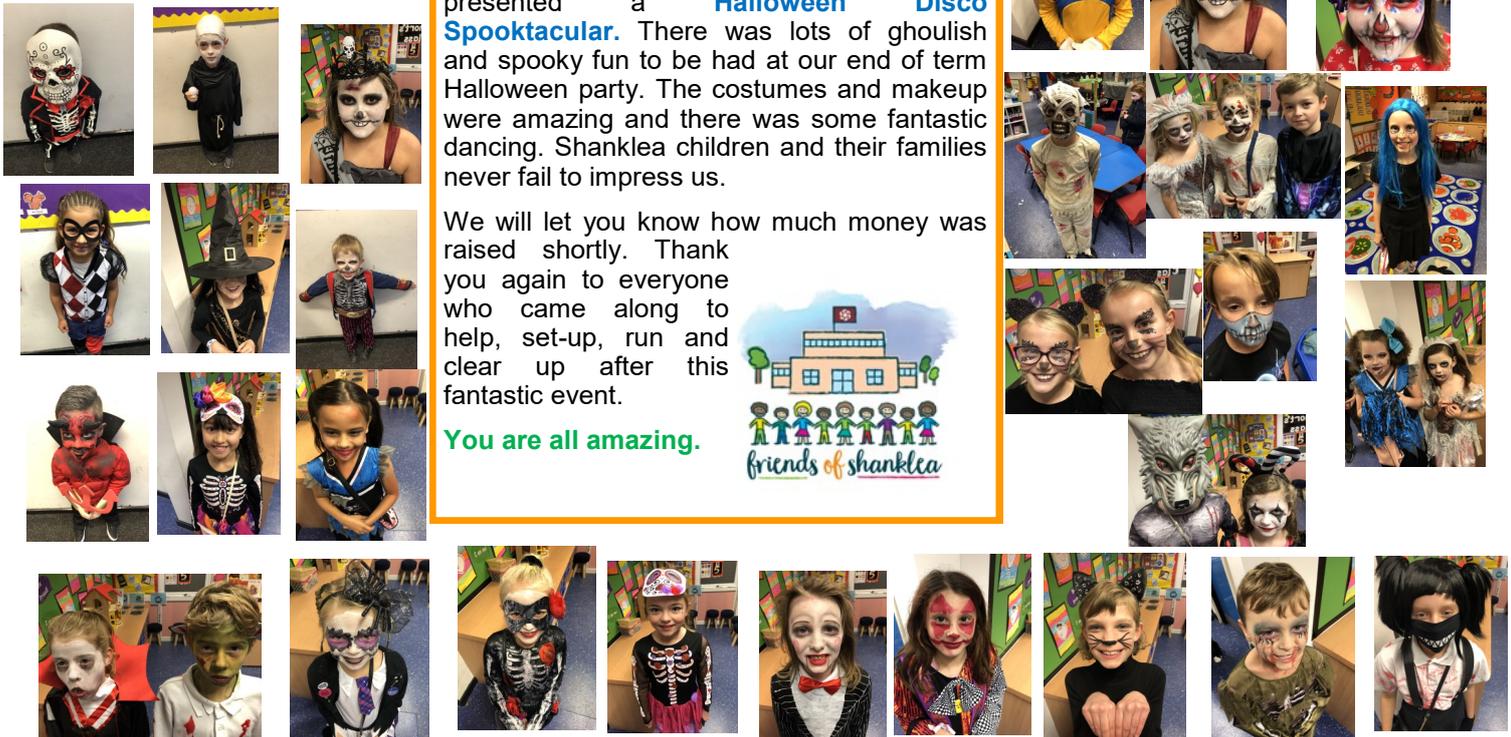


Halloween Disco

This week, the Friends of Shanklea School presented a **Halloween Disco Spooktacular**. There was lots of ghoulish and spooky fun to be had at our end of term Halloween party. The costumes and makeup were amazing and there was some fantastic dancing. Shanklea children and their families never fail to impress us.

We will let you know how much money was raised shortly. Thank you again to everyone who came along to help, set-up, run and clear up after this fantastic event.

You are all amazing.





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Starting Primary School

Free resources to help with starting school

Starting Primary School from BBC Bitesize provides support in key areas parents feel they need help with such as toilet training, a good sleep routine and emotional and social skills like making friends and taking turns.



Being School Ready

From toilet training to making friends, parents can find great advice on how to prepare their child independently and emotionally for primary school.



Play the Game Together

A fully interactive game allows the child to experience their first day at school, giving great opportunities for discussion around what it might feel like.



What will be Different in School?

This is a great tool for teachers as well as children and parents – watch the short films together that take you on a tour of a primary school, or hear from primary school children about why they love assemblies, break time and cheesy beans!



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October Half-Term Lunch Scheme

From Monday 28th October, and for the duration of the Half-Term holiday, the Cramlington Churches in cooperation with the HOPE Centre (Forum Way, to the rear of Concordia, next to the GP surgeries)



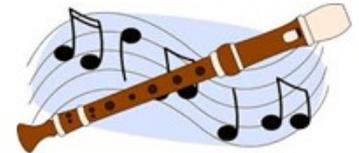
will provide packed lunches for pupils who normally receive free school meals.

These will be available each week-day from 1200
For further information call
Hope Centre on **01670 737808**

Next term's extra-curricular clubs

Please reserve your child's place via the School Gateway

Extra-curricular Clubs Autumn 2



	Breakfast Club 8-8.40am	Lunch Time Club	After School Club 3.30-4.30pm
Monday			Football Team Enterprise Year 1 and 2 First Lego League Year 5
Tuesday			Football Year 4, 5 and 6
Wednesday		Christmas Choir	
Thursday	Gymnastics Year 3 and 4		Boxing KS2 Art Year 4 and 5

