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These children have been recognised by their teachers for exemplary attitude and effort during the past week:

🛧 Florence S has been working very hard with her 🛧 Literacy. She produced some amazing writing this week about space. $\stackrel{\frown}{\sim}$

☆ Emmy S is an all-round superstar! She always tries \bigstar \bigstar incredibly hard, is so helpful and kind and is an amazing \bigstar Δ listener. Another brilliant week, Emmy!

 $\stackrel{\frown}{\propto}$ Mariah S has an excellent attitude to learning

☆ ☆ Molly C has been working very hard on her Hansel and Δ $\overrightarrow{}$ Gretel story. She has produced some fantastic Science work on the classification of animals. \bigstar

🛠 Charlie B has great ideas He showed great enthusiasm 🛠 in Guided Reading when reading "Cops and Robbers" \bigstar and created a new robber. $\frac{1}{2}$ \bigstar

Evie H wrote an amazing story about Awesome Man. \bigstar

Libby B has done some fantastic work in English this \checkmark \bigstar week. She put in a super effort when looking closely at \bigstar the author's vocabulary and the illustrator's images.

☆ \bigstar Ronan A made fantastic use of his iPad to help him to $\stackrel{\frown}{\propto}$ $\stackrel{\frown}{\sim}$ communicate independently with others in the school \star office and at the shops. Well done, Ronan! \bigstar

 \star Callum B continues to maintain his exceptionally high \star ☆ standards in Maths. Keep it up, Callum! ☆

 \star Ryan B has an excellent attitude to learning and wrote a \star ☆ great piece of writing about Mother Teresa. He listened 🕁 well and made great notes which he used to write a \bigstar \bigstar great text about her.

 \bigstar Lucy W always has a positive attitude and perseveres \bigstar \mathbf{x} when she finds tasks challenging. Well done, Lucy. $\frac{1}{2}$ 🛧 Keep it up!

symp lpha Megan W always works hard and puts 100% into steverything she does. She also creates some amazing 🛧 work outside of the class. \checkmark \bigstar

Harrison M has a good attitude to all aspects of the \bigstar curriculum. \bigstar \bigstar

Reece C puts in amazing effort and scored a superb ☆ 100% on a recent arithmetic test. ☆ \bigstar

Mackenzie is a gymnastic superstar. She has been working hard and developing fantastic gymnastic skills. Keep it up Mackenzie.



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Gymnastics Superstars

Congratulations to our fabulous gymnasts who were all absolutely brilliant at the

School Games Gymnastics

competition this week. Emily and Lori were joint 2nd in Routine 1 and Lori was the second placed gymnast overall. Well done Ryan B, Lori N Maisie C, Emily M, Matthew C and **Ruby K.** We are so proud of you.



2019

Illness

Stomach bugs and viruses are very common at this time of year. To try to prevent the spread of any infection we have completed two deep-cleans of the school and are continually reminding children of good hygiene practice including regular handwashing with soap and water and the prompt disposal of used tissues.

Families and staff can help to prevent the spread of any infection by ensuring anyone who has experienced any sickness or diarrhoea stays away from school until they have been clear of symptoms for 48 hours.

Despite all our efforts, Shanklea, like many other schools, has experienced higher than usual levels of illness amongst children and staff this term. We are doing everything we can to ensure continuity of teaching and support and to minimise disruption to the children's education and routines.

We would like to thank everyone for your continuing support.

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https://caboodle.nationalbooktokens.com/win-their-height

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Our fabulous new Facebook page is now up and running and lots of information about events occurring in school and what we have all been up to. You can find us under "Shanklea Primary School" We already have over 100 likes and hope for many more soon. Thank you to Mrs Neale for her hard work getting everything looking so fantastic. If you are happy for your child's image (no names) to appear please give consent on the School Gateway. Thank you.

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Author Visit

This week, pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 made a trip to Eastlea Primary to meet author **Vivian French** and came back bursting with ideas! They heard a stirring story, found out that authors get to do all kinds of things as well as write (e.g. travel, go to festivals, do book signings and maybe appear on TV); enjoyed the

sound of laughter as funny facts and jokes were shared from her books and experiences.

Vivian French is a bestselling author of over 250 books. She writes novels, plays and non-fiction books for children and young adults. She has worked as an actor and a community drama worker and was described by the Sunday Telegraph as a "sublime storyteller."

On meeting Ms French, the children were given insight into how successful poems, stories and factual books are created. They were able to ask questions. They got to know where ideas come from and how characters were brought alive.

This fantastic author visit was full of great book recommendations, overflowing enthusiasm, brilliant ideas for writing, useful tips, encouragement to keep trying, real-life stories of meeting rejection but not giving up.



Year 1 phonics

At Shanklea, we believe that it is important for teachers and parents to work together to give children the best start. Reading

together at home is one of the easiest but most important ways in which you can help your child.

To support your child in becoming an effective and confident reader, we work with you to develop their knowledge of phonics. This will enable them to decode the different words they come across.

Phonics is all about the sounds that make up words. Children start by learning the letters and the sounds they make, and how to put them together to make and read simple words. Then they learn how letters combine to make new sounds (such as 'th') and move on to longer words and new reading skills.

We use the 'Read, Write, Inc' phonics programme.

To help parents we are offering a parent workshop on **Wednesday 13th February** at **2.15pm** to help you support your child in their phonic development, and ultimately their reading and writing. We look forward to seeing you there.

Coming Up Soon

Wednesday 13th February	9-10am Little Monkeys Toddler Group	
	9am Firefighters Charity Bag Collection	
	2.15pm Year 1 Parents Phonics Workshop	
Thursday 14th February	2.45pm Mrs Baxter's Year 6 Class Assembly	
	Valentines Day Lunch : Please pre- order on Live Kitchen	
	Valentine's Disco: Rec & KS1: 5.45-6.45pm; KS2: 7-8pm	
Friday 15th February	School closes	
Monday 25th February	School re-opens	
	STEM week	
Tuesday 5th March	Year 5/6 Topic Immersion Day	
Friday 8th March	Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights Programme	
Monday 11th – Wednesday 13th	Year 5 Robinwood Residential	
Thursday 14th March	Mr Wadds Year 1 Class Assembly	
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day	
	Year 5 Skipping Festival	
Wednesday 20th March	Mrs Kane Year 2 Class Assembly	

Last week's attendance	Year Group	Average Attendance %
	Reception	91.7
Class of the week with 99.6% attendance is	1	99.0
DAC1	2	96.9
	3	94.2
Well done Year 1	4	91.5
who achieved the highest attendance	5	94.6
this week	6	92.9

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Valentines Celebrations

Valentine's Day is just around the corner and the Friends of Shanklea are bringing everyone together. The Shanklea disco is an opportunity to throw a themed event, have lots of fun and raise some school funds too.

Please reserve your child's disco place on the School Gateway. Please note that for safety reasons we keep registers and do not issue tickets.

Please pre-order your child's Valentine's themed lunch on Live Kitchen.

If you have any problems, please contact our Office Team.

Don't miss the chance to do something fun for this special day – you still have time!

Valentine's Day Raffle

Children have brought home two strips of raffle tickets this week. These cost \pounds 1/strip. Please return stubs, unused tickets and cash to the office no later than **14th February 2019.** More tickets are available from the office if you require any. Thank you.

1st Prize: Valentine's Hamper

2nd and 3rd Prizes: Meal Vouchers









An Electrifying Assembly from AK4

Well done to Mr King's Year 4 class who gave a fantastic performance on the theme of electricity and electrical circuits this week.



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