

Shanklea Stars of the Week

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★ These children have been recognised by their teachers for exemplary attitude:

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- ★ **Harry Campbell** is becoming more and more independent in school and is trying very hard in Read Write Inc.
- ★ **Charlie Summers** is trying really hard in Read Write Inc. He is learning all his sounds and completing work at home.
- ★ **Frankie Anderson** showed tremendous determination to write an amazing thank you letter in literacy.
- ★ **Ismail Mohammed** is listening so well and is trying exceptionally hard in Year 1. He wrote a brilliant letter to Percy the Park Keeper using lots of extended sentences.
- ★ **Bobby Bowman** is setting a great example to the rest of the class. He puts his hand up and listens carefully.
- ★ **Freya Heatley** has given 100% in her maths work all week when learning about arrays.
- ★ **Paige Field** is making an excellent effort in Maths, producing super work on telling the time.
- ★ **Maisha Muhith** has an outstanding attitude to all aspects of her work.
- ★ **Reece Campbell** is working really hard and is impressing Mrs Hagan and Miss Robson with his spellings.
- ★ **Leo Ovenden's** enthusiasm and effort towards learning this week has been exceptional.
- ★ **Poppy Beesley** wrote an excellent version of 'The Good Samaritan' which was packed full of lovely descriptions.
- ★ **Libby Rose Hall** has shown great enthusiasm in English and has written some extended sentences.
- ★ **Jonathan Jones** has an excellent attitude across the curriculum and is showing increasing maturity.
- ★ **Martha Rawling** has an exceptional attitude towards all aspects of the curriculum.
- ★ **Leon Mather** tidied up with his friends without waiting to be asked.



Well done to **Maddie Breen** and **Imogen Lynch** who are making great progress at their riding



Class of the week
with **100%**
attendance are
JR1 and **BD2**



Congratulations to **Olivia Cameron** who won a £20 voucher for her amazing Roald Dahl presentation.



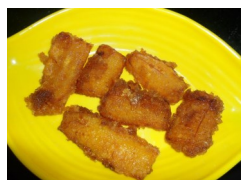
Year 4 Alnwick Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to attend our Year 4 Alnwick assembly **Wednesday 16th November at 2.45pm**. The children are looking forward to sharing their experiences with you.



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What's on at OOSC

Next week we will be looking at newspaper articles from 1914, code breaking and taking a closer look at WW1.

Our Tuesday night treat next week will be Spam Fritters.

Our mid week Wednesday Breakfast special will be crumpets.



Friends of Shanklea

You are cordially invited to our Christmas Fair....

Friends of Shanklea will be hosting our Christmas school fair on **Friday 9th December at 5pm**. This will consist of an evening of fun for the children and their families. Previous events have always proved very popular. We hope you will be able to come along and join in the fun.



Can you help...

We will need volunteers to help in lots of ways including preparing for the fair and running stalls. Please get in touch if you are able to help in any way.

If you know of anyone (perhaps a company you work for?) who can donate a raffle prize, maybe a hotel overnight stay, a meal voucher, a hamper of beauty products, a food hamper, a bottle of wine, a family cinema voucher or bowling voucher, a hamper of sweets or toys/books could you please let us know.

If any parents work for a bank or building society that offers matched funding, could you please let us know so that we can maximise our fundraising.

Thanks for your help.

Non-Uniform Day

Can children please bring in a tombola or raffle donation on **Friday 2nd December**.

As a **Thank You** they can come to school in non-uniform.



Ladies Night: Sadly we had to cancel the Ladies Night as only 34 people signed up and we needed a minimum of 50 to proceed. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to try to get the event to go ahead..

Support Our School when you shop online

Friends of Shanklea has registered with **The Giving Machine**, scheme which raises funds for our school every time parents and friends shop online through lots of retailers—at no cost to you.

To take part you need to

go to www.thegivingmachine.co.uk

- Join as a 'giver'
- Select 'Choose a cause to support' and type in 'Shanklea Primary School', then hit 'search'
- Click on 'Shanklea Primary School'

- Select Join and Support
- Type in your details and select 'Join'

Popular retailers include Sainsburys, John Lewis, Papa John's, Amazon and ebay.

Thank you so much for your support.





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Year 1—6 Reading Scheme Trial: Important Message

This academic year, the curriculum focus at Shanklea is reading. All staff are participating in further training and research to ensure we are doing everything we can to provide your children with the best start on their journey to becoming mature independent readers. We have also taken the views of both children and parents into account through careful consideration of recent homework and reading questionnaires.

Enjoyment of reading is crucial to a child's development. Whilst we are certain of the role of the school reading scheme in helping pupils to learn to decode and practise skills, as a staff we feel strongly that sharing other books, particularly those the child has chosen, is of vital importance.

We have, therefore, decided to trial a revised reading system in school. Between now and Christmas, pupils in Years 1—6 will continue to read books from the scheme.

However, every few books your child will be allowed to choose a book from their classroom to **share** at home. We do not expect pupils to read this book independently, rather that the family, carers would share it/ read it with the child. The discussion that takes place during the sharing of a book has been shown to help children develop greater comprehension skills and improves the enjoyment for all taking part. We would like this book to be recorded in their reading record as usual and comments about the experience added in.

As this a trial of a new system we would appreciate your thoughts and views. If you have any queries please feel free to talk to your child's class teacher or Mrs Baxter, our Literacy co-ordinator.



Anti-Bullying Week 2016

Next week is Anti Bullying Week with the theme **'power for good.'** Anti bullying week is organised by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and you can follow the events on social media using [#antibullyingweek](#) and [#powerforgood](#).

Shanklea Primary will always take a stand against bullying and continue to raise awareness in our school. Bullying doesn't just affect children but adults too.



Children in Need Big Spotacular

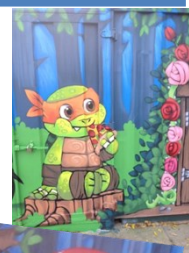
Children in Need takes place on **Friday 18 November** and Shanklea Primary School will be joining the 'Big Spotacular!' Can children please come to school dressed in something spotty.



Shanklea Mural

Year 5 pupils have recently worked with a community artist, Creative Ginger, to create murals on the Early Years storage container. The murals are more than just giant

paintings, the children collaboratively approved and spray painted their designs. It was great to work with Andy Morley and everyone is very excited to see their work permanently installed on the walls.



Shanklea Pupils Shine

Last week, our Year 2 children attended a Multi-skills Festival and Shanklea Sports Leaders went along to help ensure that everything ran smoothly. Miss Marsden, the Cramlington School Sports Co-ordinator commended our Y5/6 Sports Leaders who, without exception, were fantastic.

iPad Leasing Scheme

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for the iPad leasing scheme. We are hoping the iPads will be delivered by the end of next week. Thank you for your patience.

'They were keen, enthusiastic and organised right from the start and maintained their enthusiasm throughout the festival. The way that they were interacting with the younger pupils was brilliant. They are a real credit to your school, and festivals such as this one could not run without them. Thank you again for making these events possible!'