

School Sports Partnership Awards

Bravo to Shanklea's Sporting Champions. **Frankie A, Thomas R, Freya H** and **Mackenzie T** represented our school at the School Sports Partnership Awards at St James' Park this week.

The work of our Sporting Stars was acknowledged as we won the Platinum School Games Award for sporting participation and achievement. **Well done everyone.**



Lest We Forget



On **Monday 11th November 2019**, Shanklea School children will be collectively honouring the service and sacrifice of our Armed Forces community, the British and Commonwealth veterans, the Allies that fought alongside us and the civilians and servicemen and women involved in the two World Wars and later conflicts. Every year our nation unites to make sure that no-one is forgotten and to remember and honour those who have sacrificed everything to secure and protect our freedom. Members of our school community were invited to join staff and pupils for a Remembrance Service and wreaths of poppies will be laid at our school memorial.

On Sunday **Savannah, Millie** and **Zeva** competed in their first street dance competition as part of the CGSD Tinies crew. After months of rehearsals the crew were successful in finishing in first place in their age category!



Leila has demonstrated real determination to achieve her 20 metres swimming badge after struggling initially. Her teacher Mr Rutherford said, "**Well done Leila -your hard work has paid off. I am so impressed and very proud of you!**" We are too.

Shanklea Superstars



Sophie has had an impressive half term. First she swam 400 metres, achieving her next distance badge. Then she participated in the 'Howling Halloween Invitational gymnastics competition' and came away with two 4th place ribbons for vault and bars, two silver medals for beam and floor and all around bronze. Well done Sophie!

Mini Police in the Cramlington Remembrance Parade



On Sunday 10th November 2019, Shanklea's newly recruited '**Mini Police**' will be marking their respect for Remembrance Sunday at the Remembrance Service in Cramlington Village.

Key Stage 2 Parent/Carer Workshops

Over the next two weeks parents and carers of children in Years 3, 4 and 5 are invited to attend Curriculum workshops on:

Year 3: Wednesday 13th November, 2.15pm
Year 4/5: Wednesday 20th November, 2.15 pm

We have been holding a series of workshops for each year group looking at the different areas of English and Maths our children will be learning at school. The workshops focus on how you can support your child with their learning development through everyday life, games and activities, as well as enabling you to answer any questions your child may ask and be able to recognise any misconceptions he/she may make or have. We hope you will come along to find out more about how English and Maths are taught within Shanklea and get some ideas on how to support children with their learning at home.

General Election Thursday 12th December

You will be aware that a general election will be held on Thursday 12th December. It is our understanding that, as is usual, school will be called upon for use as a polling station. As you will appreciate, the turnout for the election is likely to be substantial so, **for safeguarding reasons we are unable to keep school open.**

We are aware of reports that the Secretary of State for Education has advised that schools should not be used as polling stations. However, we have been previously advised that no other suitable alternatives are available within the area so it is extremely unlikely that an alternative could be arranged. **In the unlikely event that this changes, we will advise you immediately.**

Aldi Sticker Promotion

Thank you to everyone who has sent in Aldi stickers. As always you have been amazing. We have sent off our entry this week.





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Friends of Shanklea

A huge thank you and news updates

Friends of Shanklea are delighted to announce that with your generous contributions, we have already smashed our fundraising target. We received overwhelmingly positive feedback on both our recent events—The Halloween Bake Off and Halloween Disco. Together, we raised a fantastic **£663.55**. Thank you so much to everyone involved. Your creativity, baking skills and all round support have been incredible.

We would like to grow our numbers further so if you are interested in joining please do get in touch via the school office. Everything is very informal and we do try to have some fun whilst raising money for the school. The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 12th November at 3.15pm** and will be about planning the Christmas Fair. We hope to see you there.

Christmas Celebrations

Tis the season to be jolly. Very soon from the Christmas Fayre to the Nativity plays, every day will be awash with festive sparkle. Before we know it, the children will be bouncing into school on the last day of term wearing their flashing Santa hat or a piece of tinsel wrapped around their ponytail, ready for a morning of board games, DVDs (and even some sweets!) - bring on the festivities! We have included a list of events, times and dates with this newsletter because all exciting kinds of things will be going on every day... a blur of parties, concerts and plays.

However, it is important to remember that learning will continue. We would be grateful if reading books, spellings and number work continue to be extracted from the depths of their bag despite unleashing a cloud of glitter that engulfs the entire house.

Friends of Shanklea have funded a performance of **Rapunzel** by Bigfoot Arts Education, North East. This will be for children in **Years 1 to 6** and will take place on **Thursday 5th December**. Our wonderful PTFA have also provided funding for our EYFS children to visit **Santa**. More details soon.



Children In Need: Friday 15th November

Children are invited to wear non-uniform next Friday in support of Children in Need. Uniform. Lots of colours, spots and stripes would be lovely. Donations will be sent on to this fantastic charity.

School Photographs

Please return your order forms for school photos to school by **Monday 11th November at 3.15pm**. The forms and money will be collected the next day so we cannot accept forms after this deadline. You would still be able to order photographs but these would need to be delivered to your home address which will incur a delivery charge.

If anyone has not received their photograph order form please contact the office immediately. Thank you.

Scholastic Books



Children have brought home Scholastic Books catalogues this week. If you would like to order some books please complete the order form in the catalogue and return it to school by **Friday 22nd November**. Payment should be made on the School Gateway please. Thank you.



PE Kits

As the weather gets colder (and wetter!) please ensure your child has a suitable clothes for outdoor PE with them in school every day. This should include a change of clothes and footwear to enable the children to keep their uniforms warm and dry for when they return inside. Tracksuits or joggers and hoodies are essential for this winter term. Thank you for your support which will enable the children to take advantage of the many sporting opportunities available.





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2019: Autumn 2 Timetable

Week 1	
Monday 4 th November 2019	School re-opens School Photographs
Tuesday 5 th November 2019	
Wednesday 6 th November 2019	9-10am Toddler Group
Thursday 7 th November 2019	School Sports' Partnership Celebration event at St. James' Park. School Football League Match, NCEA Ashington
Friday 8 th November 2019	Achievement Assemblies Music Tuition
Week 2	
Monday 11 th November 2019	Whole School Remembrance Assembly
Tuesday 12 th November 2019	3.15pm Friends of Shanklea meeting
Wednesday 13 th November 2019	9-10am Toddler Group 2.15pm Year 3 Parent Workshop
Thursday 14 th November 2019	9am Years 4 and 5 Author Visit to the JLV
Friday 15 th November 2019	Children In Need Day—wear spots or stripes (non-uniform) Achievement Assemblies Music Tuition Thunder In The Valley Basketball Competition, 4-9pm
Week 3	
Monday 18 th November 2019	
Tuesday 19 th November 2019	
Wednesday 20 th November 2019	9-10am Toddler Group 2.15pm Year 4/5 Parents Workshop
Thursday 21 st November 2019	
Friday 22 nd November 2019	Non-Uniform Day—please bring in Christmas Fair donations Achievement Assemblies Music Tuition
Week 4	
Monday 25 th November 2019	
Tuesday 26 th November 2019	
Wednesday 27 th November 2019	9-10am Toddler Group 3.30pm Nursery Intake Meeting
Thursday 28 th November 2019	Years 5 and 6 Able Writers Day
Friday 29 th November 2019	1pm Futsal Sports Competition Years 3/4 Achievement Assemblies Music Tuition Christmas Fayre 5-7pm
Week 5	
Monday 2 nd December 2019	Years 4/5 Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 3 rd December 2019	EYFS Dress Rehearsal—morning Reception Christmas Crafts afternoon
Wednesday 4 th December 2019	Years 4/5 Christmas Productions 9.30am and 2pm No Toddler Group today Squirrels New Intake Meeting
Thursday 5 th December 2019	EYFS Christmas Production 9.30am PTFA Pantomime 'Rapunzel' 1-3pm Years 1 to 6 3.30pm-7pm OOSC Late Christmas Night
Friday 6 th December 2019	EYFS Christmas Production, 9.30am



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Week 6	
Monday 9 th December 2019	Rev W. Doherty, 9.15a.m to lead assembly
Tuesday 10 th December 2019	9am Flu Vaccinations Reception-Year 6 9am KS1 Dress rehearsal
Wednesday 11 th December 2019	Christmas Dinner Nursery Home Visits No Toddler Group today Years 1 and 2 (KS1) Performance, 2pm Year 3 and Year 6 Christmas Carol rehearsals, 1.45-2.45pm
Thursday 12 th December 2019	General Election – school closed
Friday 13 th December 2019	Years 3 and 6 Christmas Carols 10.15-12.15pm No Music Tuition Reception Christmas Party pm
Week 7	
Monday 16 th December 2019	KS1 Christmas Party afternoon Nursery Home visits
Tuesday 17 th December 2019	9.15am Nursery Christmas Crafts Squirrels Home Visits Years 4 and 5 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18 th December 2019	Squirrels Home Visits 9-10am Toddlers Christmas Party Christmas Choir at Sainsbury's Year 3 Christmas Party afternoon
Thursday 19 th December 2019	Year 6 Christmas Party Reception Polar Express Day
Friday 20 th December 2019	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Party Lunch School closes for Christmas holidays.

School will re-open on Tuesday 7th January 2020

Extra-curricular Clubs and Groups this Half-Term

	Morning 8am	Lunchtime	After-school
Monday			Football Team Year 1/2 Enterprise Year 5 Lego league
Tuesday			Year 4/5/6 football
Wednesday		Christmas Choir	
Thursday	Year 3/4 Gymnastics		KS2 Boxing Year 4/5 Art

Children should have their P.E. kit (including full outdoor PE kit) with them EVERY DAY. Please bring in at the start of each week.

P.E. Days

P.E. Days	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	LMR	DAC1/2 BD1/2
Tuesday	MSR	JR1/2 SH3 SB4/5 RB4/5 CC6
Wednesday	ER4/5 RB4/5	DAC1/2 AH3 ER4/5 CC6 LG6
Thursday	SB4/5	BD1/2 SH3
Friday	AH3 LG6	JR1/2

Please let us know if you think your child might be eligible for free school meals even if your child has Universal Free School Meals. Thank you

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