

## Shanklea Primary School

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#### Year 5 and 6 Panto Pandemonium

This year's Year 5 and 6 children amazed staff and parents alike with their spectacular Summer Shows, at 2.00p.m and 5.30p.m on Wednesday 27th June. The children produced a very special performance filled with pranks

and mayhem. Everyone absolutely loved the fun, enthusiasm and talent on show. We are so impressed. The energy and interaction with the audience was fabulous.

Well done to the cast, teachers and support staff for the brilliant pantomime performance and songs...



#### **Meet Your Child's New Teacher**

On Thursday 5th July, schools in Cramlington are hosting a Transition Day. This gives children the opportunity to meet their new teacher and spend time with their new class. This helps to alleviate concerns about "moving on" and enables the children and staff to get to know each other.

Between 3.30 and 5pm we will host an informal meet your child's new teacher session. Children will come out of school with a letter stating their new class and teacher and parents can drop in to say hello.

#### Year 6 are off to Edinburgh

Following their outstanding performances in the pantomime this week, our intrepid Year 6 children will be visiting Edinburgh next week. We are looking forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.

#### **Year 6 JLV visit**

On Friday 29th June 2018 a group of Maths and Science Gifted and Talented students from Shanklea were lucky to visit the JLV again. This additional event was organised to help prepare students for their transition to their next school, offering a range of educational and enriched opportunities.

This event was specifically designed to engage primary students' imagination and provide the opportunity for them to experience secondary school teaching while meeting and collaborating with current students too.

#### **Year 2 Class Assembly Superstars**

Our Year 2 assembly this week was truly first class. It was great fun and brilliantly performed by everyone involved. It was very professional and funny in all the right places.

A massive well done to everyone for their combined efforts and to Mrs Crowther, Mrs Downes and the team for putting together such a great assembly. They were able to showcase such excellent work produced this year. Well done to everyone!

#### **Year 2 Visits Hogwarts**

Alnwick Castle is perhaps best known for its starring role as Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry in the first two Harry Potter films, Alnwick Castle has made many appearances in film and television over the years - and this week it welcomed some very special visitors: Shanklea Year 2. The children were beautifully behaved as always and had a fabulous time. We hope to share some photos with you in our next newsletter.

#### Shanklea Tri-Golf Silver Medallists



On Thursday 28th June 2018 a team of Year 3 and 4 Shanklea students played in the county finals of the Tri Golf Tournament. They were all fantastic ambassadors, showing great skills and superb sporting attitude.

We are delighted to announce Shanklea were **2nd** overall against very stiff competition. Congratulations to Ryan, Mathew, Archie, George, Isaac, Isabel, Billie, Mackenzie, Eleanor and Hollie.



We are so proud of you all.

## **Reception learn about the Great Outdoors**

We have worked hard to develop our forest area over recent months. Our Reception children have been learning about the natural environment, playing games, having fun and, most importantly, learning and practising how to stay safe.

They have particularly enjoyed the opportunity to experience outdoor cooking around a forest fire, overseen by qualified forest school teacher, Andrew Wadds, who will be joining Shanklea in September 2018.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this fantastic initiative which has been thoroughly enjoyed by children and staff alike.























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#### **A Massive Thank You**

At the end of this academic year, we will say a very fond farewell to our longest serving governor, Mr Andrew Hodson. We have copied a message from him in the box opposite.

Andrew has been a most dedicated and committed member of our Governing Body team. We would like to offer him our most sincere thanks for his tremendous hard work and contribution to Shanklea Primary School. We wish him every happiness in the future. We are going to miss him.

#### **Coming Up Next Week**

Monday - Wednesday

Year 6 Edinburgh Residential Visit

Wednesday 4th July

Year 3 Cricket Festival 9am

Year 5 Cricket Festival 12.45pm

**Thursday 5th July** 

Reception—Year 6 Transition Day

Meet the New Teacher 3.30—5pm

Friday 6th July

12.30pm- Y5/6 Girls Author Visit

3.30 Summer Fair

#### A message from Mr Hodson:

To the staff, pupils, parents, carers and governors of Shanklea Primary School,

About 26 years ago I was sitting by the camp fire at a parent and son scout camp, when the scout leader, who was chair of Shanklea governors, asked me if I would become a school governor. Little did I know that I would still be in that role so many years later.

At the end of this school year, I will be retiring as a governor. Although the role of governor can, at times, be challenging, the role has been very rewarding and enjoyable.

I have had the pleasure of working with three very gifted and committed head teachers and with many talented and dedicated teachers, support staff and governors, who have made Shanklea such an excellent school.

Of course, the most important people in the school are the children. With strong support from their families, they show enthusiasm for learning; support each other and are keen to become involved in a wide range of activities that help the school to function. I take great delight in meeting them during my regular governor visits.

I wish everyone associated with Shanklea Primary School all the best for the future.

Andrew Hodson

#### **SUMMER FAIR**

FRIDAY 6th JULY 3.30pm

#### Year 5 and 6 Mayan Experience

Our Year 5 and 6 children stepped back in time this week as they learned about **Mayan**, life, traditions and history. This special experience was hosted by Dr Jo Bath from **Zoetrope Histories**. The children enjoyed a range of activities and were very enthusiastic, particularly role playing Mayan life.



## EYFS and KS1 Have Fun Learning to Stay Safe Online

EYFS and Key Stage 1 thoroughly enjoyed a visit this week from the Barnyard Theatre Company. Their show promoted staying safe when working online and to not always believe everything that is shown on the Internet. The show was called **Penguin Pig** and is based around a story book. After the show Key Stage 1 also took part in a workshop which looked at staying safe. All the children learnt a rhyme

'You've got to THINK, THINK, THINK before you CLICK, CLICK, CLICK and tell someone.'

It really was a fantastic show and the children loved it.

## Last week's attendance

Three classes achieved 100% attendance last week. What a fantastic achievement!

Well done ER3,

DC5 and SB6

Year Group	Average Attendance %
Reception	94.9
1	97.9
2	97.1
3	99.8
4	92.2
5	97.4
6	97.9

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#### **Shanklea Summer Fair**

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Friends of Shanklea have planned a fabulous Summer Fair and need your support. Rather than asking for a financial contribution for the non-school uniform day on Friday 29th June, they have requested your child bring in some goods for the raffle, tombola or other stalls.



## If you haven't already done so, please could your child bring in a donation from the following:

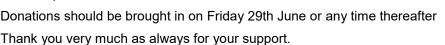
- Cakes (preferably home-made but please no fresh cream). Cakes should be brought in ON THE DAY OF THE FAIR in containers (named) please. The containers can be collected the following week.
- Any donations including (for example) a plant, perfume, toiletries; bottles no empties please! any good quality unwanted gifts or vouchers

Raffle tickets were sent home two weeks ago – please check your child's bag if you have not seen them yet. The 1st Prize this year is £50 cash.

Please return stubs, money and any unwanted tickets to school as soon as possible please.

There will be very, very limited parking available on the day of the Summer Fair so we are encouraging people to walk when possible.

Lastly, we are **DESPERATE** for helpers on the day – even if you can just spare an hour, please let our Office Team know.





#### **Charity Collection**

Children have brought home leaflets this week about the collection for the Firefighters Charity next Monday. Please leave donations at the top of the ramp. Money raised benefits the Firefighter's Charity with a small proportion to our school. Thank you for your support.



Help raise money for your school and

### The Firefighters Charity



#### **Flu Vaccination**

Public Health England have asked us to draw parents' attention to the flu vaccination programme poster which is shown on the right.

We will let you know of any vaccination programmes provided and organised by the NHS for children at school as soon as we can.

