

Shanklea Stars of the Week

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Maternity Leave

I am sure all parents will join me in wishing **Mrs Laughton** all the best as she starts her maternity leave shortly. During Mrs Laughton's maternity leave, **Miss Katy Elvin** will be teaching her Reception class. Miss Elvin will be working alongside Mrs Laughton for the next fortnight to ease the transition into new routines and Shanklea ways. She has already met the children, and many parents, at recent parent workshops.

Class Assembly

Mrs Short's class assembly will be held on **Wednesday 4th May 2016, 2.45p.m.** We welcome parents and grandparents to join us.

Early Years Consultation – 30 hours

The government recently introduced the Childcare Bill to bring in 30 hours of free childcare for 3 and 4 year olds during term time for employed families. The initiative could potentially be delivered for early implementation in September 2016 with a full roll-out from September 2017.

We would like to know whether parents would welcome the delivery of this entitlement at Shanklea Primary School. If you have not already done so, please complete the attached questionnaire and return it to school as soon as possible. Thank you.



Class of the week with **100%** attendance is **AK5**



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Bike It Crew Trailblazers

Our Bike It Crew completed a new challenge last week cycling around the Cramlington area. Everyone had a wonderful time and we all got extremely muddy as you can see from the photos.

We are now preparing for our next adventure. Each member of the cycle crew's proficiency is being assessed and those considered ready will be invited to take part in Shanklea's annual endurance Cycling Challenge. In order to have enough **thrills** and **spills**, the children will give their bikes a work out, together with their legs and lungs by cycling along the Northumbrian coastline from a base at Seahouses. The challenge will take place on **Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th July 2016.**



Super SATS...

Millions of primary school pupils across the country are anxiously preparing to take their SATs in the month of May — but OUR Year 6 are ready for these. They've learned all their vocabulary and words and taken endless practice tests. It's time to rock this year's SATs.

This week pupils have tried mock SATs and have proven themselves to be most knowledgeable and skilled. In fact, some children might actually have enjoyed them... and

have had great validation that they're doing well. It has reinforced the valuable lesson that **hard work pays off.**

We continue to get ready for **Monday 9th May 2016** and would greatly appreciate parents or carers continuing to practise difficult spellings in anticipation of challenging word tests.

SATs Preparation: What to Eat Before the Big Tests

To keep Y6 Shanklea students energized, alert, and at the top of their game, each morning from **Monday 9th May to Friday 13th May** a free breakfast will be provided from **8.15a.m.**

There's nothing like a filling, fortifying breakfast to help increase your concentration during test-time and to prepare you mentally and physically.....

What's on at OOSC

Our theme for the week is "The World Around Us"

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Essentials to Life | Jobs in the Home | Our Community | How much do things cost? | Our community |



Friday Special

Our Friday Special breakfast will be porridge and honey.

FOUND

A pair of blue-green glasses have been found.

Please contact the office.



Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has donated recycling materials, arts supplies and plants this week. Your support is very much appreciated.

We now have sufficient resources so no more donations are needed.

Thanks once again.

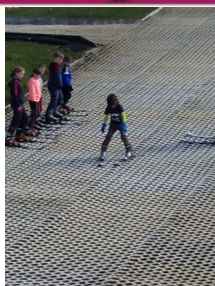
Sainsburys Active Kids

The Sainsburys Active Kids Scheme will be ending soon. We would greatly appreciate any vouchers you have that we can redeem for sports and other equipment for the children. Thanks for your support.



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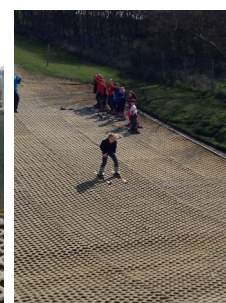
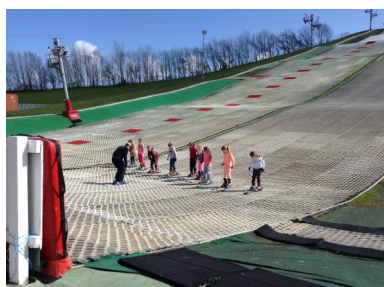


Shanklea Skiers Shine

On Friday 22nd and Monday 25th April, Sunderland Snow Sports Centre offered Year 4 and 5 pupils from Shanklea Primary School the fantastic opportunity to try a free Taster of Skiing as part of **#SchoolSnowSport** Week.

Children made the most of this fantastic opportunity and some excellent skills and attitudes were seen. It was fantastic to see so many children attempting something new and really trying their best.

If any of our current Year 4 and 5 children are interested in the chance to try skiing on real snow then parents and children should come along to a meeting on **Monday 23rd May at 3.30pm** to find out about our proposed trip to Voss, Norway next year. We highly recommend coming along to find out, without obligation, about the many opportunities on offer and finding out about the amazing experiences of children who went on this residential trip in 2016. We look forward to seeing you.



REMINDER:

School is closed on Monday 2nd May for the May Day Holiday.

Parents In Partnership With Shanklea School

Research consistently demonstrates that where parents are involved with their children's education and learning both at home and in partnership with the school - their children do better and achieve more. These benefits can be long-lasting and extend to better health and relationships, and improved career prospects. For example, where parents are actively involved in reading with their children at home, their children's reading scores improve, on average, by between 12 and 18 months.

We'd like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents in EYFS, Years 1 and 2 who actively supported our school this and last week by attending the Family Fun workshops regarding Phonics, Maths, Problem-Solving and Reasoning.

FAMILY HOOP STARZ

An exciting, fun, unique engaging class for both parents and children!

The class will build confidence & promote the importance of staying fit and healthy whilst having fun.

VENUE: Northburn Sports Centre, Crowhall Lane, Cramlington NE23 3yp

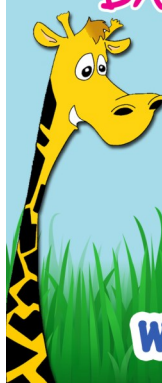
DATE: Sat 30th April 1-2pm

AGES: 5-95 years!!

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Questionnaire

**Would you like us to extend EYFS provision for
under 4s?**

Nursery 30 free hours

As you may be aware the government are piloting the 30 free hours provision in Northumberland. They are currently targeting rural Northumberland, however we are looking to see what interest there is in our community.

Would you be interested in taking more hours for your 3/4 Year old? Yes /No

Would you be interested in more hours if these were chargeable? Yes/No

Extending our Shanklea Squirrel Provision

Our Shanklea Squirrels provision for 2 year olds has proven to be very popular. We would like to extend our provision but would like to hear your opinions.

Would you be interested in taking more hours for your 2 Year old? Yes /No

Would you be interested in morning Squirrel sessions? Yes/No

Would you prefer morning or afternoon sessions? Morning/Afternoon/Either

Introducing a parent/toddler group.

We would like to see what interest there would be if we were to hold a parent Baby/Toddler group. This would be for couple of hours a week where you could meet other parents with children of similar age,

Would you be interested in attending a baby/toddler group at Shanklea in the future? Yes /No



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Keeping you updated

So that we can keep you updated with our EYFS updates please provide us with your name and contact details below.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

We understand some parents might not need EYFS provision. However if you know somebody who would, please feel free to pass this questionnaire onto them to complete.

If you have any suggestions or further comments, we would welcome them below.

Thank you for your time.