

# Shanklea Stars of the Week

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**Phoebe** has been awarded a special rosette for her efforts with her dog in a Junior Dog Skills Competition.



# Shanklea Superstars




## A Fond Farewell to Miss Kennington



## Happy Maternity Leave

We wish **Miss Robson** well as she commences her maternity leave. We are going to miss you! Our very best wishes for a healthy and happy baby! Take your time to rest and enjoy your little one.



POSITION	HOUSE NAME	POINTS
1	 Lindisfarne	5509
2	 Warkworth	5143
3	 Bamburgh	4588

## Student of the Term

## 1st Charlee Marshall

### 3rd Abigail Grieves

### Class of the Term

POSITION	CLASS NAME	POINTS
1	DC5	5636
2	SH4	5308
3	DW3	5020



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## Year 1 Phonics Screening Test

The Phonics Screening Test is a test given to children at the end of Year 1. The Phonics Screening Test (otherwise known as the "Year 1 Phonics Screening" or "Phonics Test") is a short phonics assessment.

The Phonics Test is a compulsory national test. It takes place in the second week of June at the end of Year 1. It is part of the national curriculum assessment programme. There is only one Year one phonics test.

The Phonics Screening Test seeks to test whether children have learned to decode words using phonics to the required level.

Children are expected to sound out and blend graphemes to read simple words. They are also required to read phonically decodable one-syllable and two-syllable words.

Some children might not meet the required standard for the Phonics Screening Test. If a child does not pass the Phonics Screening Check then they are required to take it again at the end of Year 2.

Please continue to read regularly to children over the holidays as it is important to help them to learn to love stories and books.

Making reading part of the everyday routine, so children quickly pick up subtle skills such as which way to follow the print of a book, how to use pictures to help decode the words, and how to recognise initial letters and the most commonly used words.

It's good to let them see adults reading too, surrounding the home with books, magazines and newspapers, as children learn by copying adults. Parents can share the stories they are reading and any funny parts or interesting nuggets to spark their interest.

There is a Phonics Screening Test for you to download for free at <https://www.sats-papers.co.uk/>

## Year 2 SATs

The official SATs tests are over for our Year 2 children. We could not be more proud of their efforts and resilience not just the last fortnight but over the entire year! Well done everyone! You tried your best and in our opinion that means you've smashed it. Children still have to work hard to showcase their writing for the next few weeks but the formal tests are over.

Thank you for all the staff who have helped this week and the parents who as usual have been so supportive!

## Cycling Crew

It is back in the saddle for the Shanklea Cycling Crew's next phase of training on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Pushing on for 25 miles to Cullercoats, we are preparing for Holland's windmills and fast flat cycling to take us to the beautiful countryside around Amsterdam.

## GDPR

Children brought home a letter earlier this term about how the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) affect how we handle data in school. Please read it carefully and return it to school as soon as you can. Thank you.



## Children's Cancer Run



On Sunday 20th May 2018, Shanklea Parents and children alike laced up their running shoes once again for the annual **Greggs' Children's Cancer Run**, organised by the North of England Children's Cancer Research (NECCR). The annual event at Newcastle racecourse raises vital funds for cancer research.

Thank you to the children, families and staff who gathered at Newcastle Racecourse to support such a worthy cause.

Runners took on a five or three-mile course, with the younger ones getting involved with a shorter 'mini-mile' cross country track. Special thanks go to **Ms Rigg**, **Mr Rutherford** and **Mr Winter** who co-ordinated and attended the event. You may have seen some of the photos in the Evening Chronicle at [www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/gallery/greggs-childrens-cancer-run-14682738](http://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/gallery/greggs-childrens-cancer-run-14682738)





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## Our latest Press Release:

WE HAVE A BIG AMBITION At Shanklea Primary School:

**EVERY CHILD THAT CAN, WALKS or CYCLES TO SCHOOL.**

A generation ago, 70% of us walked to school – now it's less than half !

Shanklea Primary School with the local councillors want to reverse this decline. We want children to be energised and empowered, and to make walking to school their natural choice. And we need the community's help.

Children in Shanklea Primary School are putting their best foot forward and celebrating 6 months of their award-winning walking bus.

Whatever the weather, the walking bus has been making sure pupils arrive safely and on time since January 2018.

Much the same as a regular bus, it has a driver, passengers, a set timetable and scheduled bus stops - the only difference is that children board a walking bus rather than use a motorised vehicle.

Not only is this better for the environment and benefits the local community by reducing traffic in surrounding streets but there are health benefits through regular walking and increased road safety.

Shanklea headteacher, Mrs Helen Brown said: "We are immensely proud of our walking bus and the dedication of our hardworking volunteers and teachers who have ensured its success. The walking bus travels whatever the weather, ensuring that the pupils arrive in school on time. It has had an extremely positive effect on the attendance and punctuality of our pupils and we hope that it will continue to travel for many years to come."

The Walking Bus is available each morning (8.30a.m.) and afternoon (3.30p.m.) from the Masonic Hall Car Park, Cramlington and gets children walking more, and is part of our ground breaking campaigning work to a build a new walking generation



Look out for more pictures in the local press.

## Last Week's Attendance

Year Group	Attendance
Rec	95.8
1	97.3
2	98.1
3	97.1
4	96.8
5	95.0
6	99.4

Attendance Superstars  
with 100% attendance



## REMINDER:

### Years 1-4 School Visits

As part of our efforts to protect the environment and move to paperless communications we have emailed letters to parents of children in Years 1 to 4 with details of forthcoming trips:

#### Holy Island

Year 4 on Tuesday 5th June 2018

Year 3 on Monday 18th June 2018

#### Alnwick Castle:

Year 1 on Tuesday 19th June 2018

Year 2 on Thursday 28th June 2018

Please check your emails and give permission and pay on the School Gateway. Thank you.



## Shanklea Summer Fair

Our annual Summer Fair has been scheduled for **Friday 6th July, 3.30—5.30pm**. Can you help?

Can you, or a business you know, provide any raffle prizes?

Can you help to run a stall?

Would you like to run your own stall?

Could you help in any other way?

Please get in touch with our Business Manager, Sarah Brown.



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## A gentle reminder about school uniform...

Thank you to all parents who make sure their children are in the proper school uniform. We are really proud of our school uniform and expect all children to wear it.

We have noticed increasing numbers of children who are not wearing the correct school uniform—mainly due to children forgetting what is and is not allowed.

It's important for all children to wear practical, sensible and safe clothing and our uniform is right for the job.

**We expect all children to wear school uniform as follows:**

### Clothes:

- Sweatshirts/Jumpers/Cardigans Maroon (Shanklea versions, including fleeces)
- Collared shirts or polo shirts White or Blue
- Skirts/Trousers Charcoal Grey/Black
- Plain Tights Grey/White/Black/
- Plain Socks Grey/White/Black

In the summer, children may wear charcoal grey/black tailored shorts.

Girls may also wear summer dresses or grey/black pinafore dresses.

### Shoes:

All children should wear black, practical school shoes.

In the summer, black or white sandals can be worn.

If children come to school in boots, wellies or trainers, they should bring their school shoes to change into. We have a supply of black plimsolls for children who do not have the correct footwear.

**You can find information about uniform on our website.**

**Thank you for your support!**

## Items which are not allowed:

Here's a list of some of the items which aren't allowed.

### Clothing:

- Hooded tops/tracksuit tops
- Jeans/Leggings
- Sweatbands
- Long patterned socks
- Brightly coloured or patterned tights

### Footwear:

- Trainers are not suitable for school wear and must not be worn during the day at school.
- Ugg boots or similar

Please note: only flat heeled shoes are allowed

Children may bring a pair of trainers into school to change into for break and lunchtime, if they expect to play ball games. They must change back into their school shoes once the break-time is over.

### Make up and jewellery:

- No make-up is allowed
- Fake tattoos
- Nail varnish

If ears are pierced, only one pair of plastic insert studs may be worn for safety reasons. These should not be worn on PE days, but if they cannot be removed, they **must** be covered up with tape which each child should keep in their PE bag.

A wrist watch is allowed.

If your child is not wearing the correct uniform, we will contact you.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS IN 2018

Spring is finally here and after the glorious weather we enjoyed for the May bank holiday weekend, we're already dreaming about the summer holidays and more days off in the sunshine. Please note the remaining school holidays:

**May half term: Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June.**

Back to school on **Monday 4th June 2018.**

**Summer holidays:** School ends on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July** and reopens on **Tuesday 4th September 2018.**

The Department for Education, school and the Local Authority (LA) discourage holidays being taken in school time as it affects student achievement. Parents should be aware that the L.A. operates a penalty notice system in relation to term-time absence. Students will be taken off roll if they are absent for more than fifteen school days and parents will need to re-apply to the Education Office for a Primary School place in Northumberland Local Authority