




## Star of the Term

1st 1017 POINTS	<b>Harry M</b>
2nd 971 POINTS	<b>Maizie C</b>
3rd 955 POINTS	<b>Summer G</b>

## Class of the Term

1	RB4/5
2	SB4/5
3	JR1/2

## Castle of the Term

1	 Dunstanburgh
2	 Lindisfarne
3	 Bamburgh

# shanklea Superstars



**Lilly May** is a swimming superstar. She has put in lots of effort and is doing really well, earning lots of new certificates. This is such an important skill to have—Keep up the good work, Lilly May!

## Spring Term Extra-curricular Clubs

Bookings may now be made on the School Gateway for the following clubs:

<b>Monday</b>	Netball Y5/6 (after school) <b>3.15-4.30pm</b> Go Noodle Dance Club KS1 (Lunch time) First Lego League Y5 <b>3.15-4.30pm (Invite only)</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gymnastics Y3/4 <b>3.15-4.30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Dodgeball KS2 <b>3.15-4.30pm</b>



## Holidays are coming...

The past few weeks may have been one long blur of parties, concerts and plays, with a liberal sprinkling of glitter on top. But for all that it's exhausting, we have to admit that Christmas with primary school children is a pretty exciting time. And when they bounce into school on the last day of term wearing their flashing Santa hat, Christmas jumper or a piece of tinsel wrapped around their ponytail, ready for a day of board games, DVDs and some sweets, it should take us right back to our own Christmas schooldays. Happy holidays – and bring on the festivities!

Whether you are a volunteer, visitor, parent, performer or pupil – thank you for all that you have done to support Shanklea Primary School – together we are transforming the lives of these wonderful children.

A huge thank you goes to all the Shanklea staff who dig deep into their end of term reserves to find the energy to organise Christmas in school with such meticulous detail.

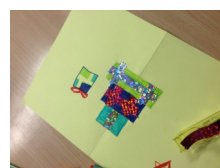
We have such fantastic staff throughout our school with highly skilled teachers and teaching assistants. We have many other unsung heroes too. The School Office deserve a special mention as without their powers of organisation and inspiration our school would not run so smoothly nor be the ultimate celebration of the Christmas spirit that it has so fondly become.

A massive **thank you** to the Catering, Caretaking and Lunchtime Teams who work so hard all year round and helped to make our Christmas themed days run so well. The attention all our staff gave to make our annual **Christmas lunch** one to remember was inspirational.



**I am sure you will join me in saying a massive Thank You to them all for their hard work and total commitment to the children.**

**The whole team and all the people we partner with, wish you a fantastic Christmas and a very Happy New Year!**



**School re-opens on Tuesday 7th January 2020**



# Shanklea Primary School

"We provide a happy, caring and stimulating environment where children recognise and achieve their fullest potential"

## Christmas Spectaculars



Another year, another Christmas, another Carol Service and another wonderful opportunity for the Shanklea community to join together and to be filled with the spirit of Christmas. This year, our Year 3 and Year 6 children gave a beautiful carol service at St Nicholas Church, Cramlington.

As always, it was truly a special occasion. The setting was magical and the sight of so many friends and family in the congregation was a pleasure to behold. But what continues to fill this service with hope and wonder is the children, their flawless singing and confident reading. Thank you to all the Shanklea families who joined us for a concert of festive delights - favourite carols, traditional sing-alongs, and even a sprinkling of Year 3 nativity stardust- it has been a festive morning to remember.

Huge thanks must also go to the fantastic School Choir and musicians for performing as well as the speakers who shared their inspiring Christmas message. Thank you to all the staff and parents for supporting their children in such a splendid way and allowing them to shine.

The spirit of Christmas was very much alive at the EYFS, KS1 and KS2 concerts last week too. Again all events were wonderful showcases for the children's emerging talents, both as soloists and as members of a well-knitted ensemble. The enjoyment on the children's faces was infectious and there was not one single member of any audience who were not filled with pride and delight. Well done to the children, from our three to our eleven year olds, for reminding us, yet again, as to how amazing you all are.

### Last week's attendance

Year Group	Average Attendance %
Reception	94.3
1 and 2	91.9
3	82.8
4 and 5	87.9
6	95.0

**Class of the week with 95.8% attendance is BD1/2**

**Year Group of the week is Year 6**



### Stay Safe Online

As we all enjoy the festivities we would like to remind families to be extra vigilant to ensure the children stay safe online.

The illustration opposite shows 15 Apps that are very popular with children/teenagers at the moment. Just for your information there is a description about what each one is all about and what some people are using them for.

**Please stay vigilant and always check to see what Apps your children are using.**

## FIFTEEN APPS PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

**MEETME**  
MEETME IS A DATING SOCIAL MEDIA APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE BASED ON GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY. AS THE APP'S NAME SUGGESTS, USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MEET EACH OTHER IN PERSON.

**GRINDR**  
GRINDR IS A DATING APP GEARED TOWARDS GAY AND TRANSGENDER PEOPLE. THE APP GIVES USERS THE OPTION TO CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS AND MEET UP BASED ON A SMARTPHONE'S GPS LOCATION.

**SKOUT**  
SKOUT IS A LOCATION-BASED DATING APP AND WEBSITE. WHILE USERS UNDER 18 YEARS OLD ARE UNABLE TO SHARE PRIVATE PHOTOS, KIDS CAN EASILY CREATE AN ACCOUNT USING A DIFFERENT AGE.

**WHATSAPP**  
WHATSAPP IS A POPULAR MESSAGING APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO SEND TEXTS, PHOTOS, MAKE CALLS AND VIDEOCHATS. WORLDWIDE, WHATSAPP USES AN INTERNET CONNECTION ON SMART PHONES AND COMPUTERS.

**TIKTOK**  
TIKTOK IS A NEW MOBILE DEVICE APP POPULAR WITH KIDS USED FOR CREATING AND SHARING SHORT VIDEOS. WITH VERY LIMITED PRIVACY CONTROLS, USERS ARE VULNERABLE TO BULLYING AND EXPLICIT CONTENT.

**BADDOO**  
BADDOO IS A DATING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING APP WHERE USERS CAN CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS AND CONNECT BASED ON LOCATION. WHILE THE APP IS INTENDED FOR ADULTS ONLY, TEENS ARE KNOWN TO CREATE PROFILES.

**BUMBLE**  
BUMBLE IS SIMILAR TO THE POPULAR DATING APP "TINDER" HOWEVER, IT REQUIRES WOMEN TO MAKE THE FIRST CONTACT. KIDS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO USE BUMBLE TO CREATE FALSE ACCOUNTS AND FALSIFY THEIR AGE.

**SNAPCHAT**  
SNAPCHAT IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR APPS IN RECENT YEARS. WHILE THE APP PROMISES USERS CAN TAKE A PHOTO/VIDEO AND IT WILL DISAPPEAR, NEW FEATURES INCLUDING STORIES ALLOW USERS TO VIEW CONTENT FOR UP TO 24 HOURS.

**KIK**  
KIK ALLOWS ANYONE TO CONTACT AND DIRECT MESSAGE YOUR CHILD. KIDS CAN BYPASS TRADITIONAL TEXT MESSAGING FEATURES. KIK GIVES USERS UNLIMITED ACCESS TO ANYONE ANYWHERE, ANYTIME.

**LIVEME**  
LIVEME IS A LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO APP THAT USES GEOLOCATION TO SHARE PHOTOS AND USERS CAN FIND OUT A BROADCASTER'S EXACT LOCATION. USERS CAN EASILY CONVEY AS A WAY TO RAISE MONIES FOR PHOTOS.

**HOLLA**  
HOLLA IS A SELF-PROCLAIMED ADDICTING VIDEO CHAT APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO MEET PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD IN JUST SECONDS. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT AND MORE.

**WHISPER**  
WHISPER IS AN ANONYMOUS SOCIAL NETWORKING THAT PROMOTES SHARING SECRETS WITH STRANGERS. IT ALSO REVEALS A USER'S LOCATION SO PEOPLE CAN MEET UP.

**ASK.FM**  
ASK.FM IS KNOWN FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE APP ENCOURAGES USERS TO ALLOW ANONYMOUS PEOPLE TO ASK THEM QUESTIONS.

**CALCULATOR%**  
CALCULATOR% IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL SECRET APPS USED TO HIDE PHOTOS, VIDEOS, FILES AND BROWSER HISTORY.

**HOT OR NOT**  
HOT OR NOT ENCOURAGES USERS TO RATE YOUR PROFILE. CHECK OUT PEOPLE IN THEIR AREA, AND CHAT WITH STRANGERS. THE GOAL OF THIS APP IS TO HOOK UP.

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Dear children and all at Shanklea Primary school

Thank you all very much for your kindness in making such a fantastic Harvest Festival collection. It was very thoughtful of you to donate your collection to Cramlington Foodbank. It is such a special thing to help people who are in need.

Did you know that the food you sent us weighed an amazing 201.90kg? We volunteers at the Foodbank will be able to pack food parcels to feed lots of people with the help you have given.

With our love and thanks

*Joyce Docherty*

Joyce Docherty (Project Manager)

A huge thank you to everyone who brought harvest donations to support this very important cause.

You are all amazing.

Thank you!

