



## Reminders of Dates for your Diaries

We just wanted to say a huge well done to everyone for a successful first half term back at Shanklea! We have lots of tired children in school at the moment who are definitely ready for a rest over half term following all their hard work in school. It was also great to see so many parents/carers at all the craft events, workshops for parents and parents' evenings too. Well done #Team Shanklea.

Below are a few reminders of events coming up before and after half term. We've also highlighted new events or where additional information has been added in green so they should be easier to spot.

Children will be deciding how they're spending their Dojo points this week and then it will be posted on class Dojo pages.

Happy half term when it comes! School will reopen on 6th November 2023.

### Halloween fun- flyer also attached

Event	Description	Year group	Date and Time
Halloween Discos Fancy dress optional	Price per ticket is £2.00. A tuck shop will be available on the night and small halloween toys. £1 for sweets and £1 for small toys. Payment to be made via School Gateway for tickets. Please send cash on the night of the event for sweets and treats (change if possible please).	Y1/2 Y3/4 Y5/6	25.10.23 4.30pm - 5.30pm 5.45pm - 6.45pm 7pm - 8pm
<b>Spooky Day and disco, fancy dress optional</b>	<b>Children can dress up in fancy dress. We will be organising fun games and party food.</b>	<b>Nursery</b>  <b>Reception</b>	<b>25.10.23</b> <b>During the day</b>  <b>26.10.23</b> <b>During the day</b>



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<b>Half term Halloween Reading Challenge</b>	<b>It's that time of year again, we'd love to see pupils reading in the spookiest places (halloween themed) Please send your photos to Mrs Ritson via Dojo. Prizes will be awarded for the spookiest!</b>	<b>All year groups</b>	<b>Throughout half term</b>
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## Community events and support for parents

Event	Description	Year group	Date and Time
<b>Support with how to help your child with maths led by Mr MacMillan</b>	<b>Practical strategies to support your children in maths</b>	<b>KS1( Yr1 &amp;2)</b> <b>KS2 (Y3-Y6)</b>	<b>16/11/2023</b> <b>3.30-4.30pm</b> <b>16/11/2023</b> <b>4.30- 5.30pm</b>
SEND Coffee morning led by Mrs Crowther, SENCo (Special Educational Needs Coordinator)	Please feel free to drop in if you have any worries or anything you wish to talk to Mrs Crowther about in relation to your child: we're here to help!	Open to all	26.10.23
Wreath making (external provider)	If you'd like to come and make a wreath for Christmas. It's £30 and families are welcome to come and create one together. Please book and pay by the 31st of October via the School Gateway if you'd like to join in. <b>If there isn't sufficient interest unfortunately it will be cancelled as it's being led by an external provider.</b>	Open to all We need a minimum of 9 families to run.	29.11.23



### Residentials

Y5	Robinwood - Alston	18th - 20th March	Further details to follow
Y6	Ford Castle (now confirmed)	17th - 19th June	Further details to follow

### Social action in school

Event	Description	Year Group	Date & Time
Together Everyone Achieves More Week (TEAM Shanklea)	Every afternoon we'll be celebrating how awesome we all are and we'll be running workshops on autism, ADHD and dyslexia.	Reception to Y6	23.10.23
Children in Need	Non uniform and Pudsey accessories, donation of a £1	All	17.11.23

### Mr Brown is our PE lead and runs after school clubs and sporting events

Event	Description	Year group	Date & Time
Glow in the dark football	Limited to 20 spaces per keystone. £4 to pay via Gateway, school will subsidise. If the event is successful we will book a second date. Gateway bookings will open 6th November at 5pm.	YR1/2 YR3/4 YR5/6	24.01.2024 4.15pm - 5.15pm 5.30pm - 6.30pm 6.45pm- 7.45pm
Pro Strike Football	Letter sent out and sponsorship form. Please don't feel obliged to raise funds, all children will take part regardless.		08.11.2023



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Year 4 team building festival		Year 4	Autumn term
Year 6 team building festival		Year 6	Autumn term
Gymnastics competition	Area competition Jan/Feb leading to county finals in March *There is a new national format for this event, details TBC	Year 4	Spring term
Tri-Golf competition		Year 3/4	Spring term
Badminton festival		Year 3	Spring term
Pickleball festival		Year 4	Spring term
Badminton festival		Year 6	Spring term
Girls and boys football competition		Year 4	Summer term
Tennis festival		Year 3	Summer term
Quadkids competition		Year 4	Summer term

## After school clubs- autumn 2

Mr Brown will be sending these out shortly.

## Shanklea Christmas events

Event	Description/ location	Year group	Date & Time
Christmas Jumper swap shop	If you have any unwanted or outgrown Christmas jumpers	All	22.11.2023 3.30pm



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	<p>you would like to donate please bring these into school no earlier than 17.11.2023. These will then be displayed in the school hall on 22.11.2023 for parents to choose a new jumper. Any items remaining will be donated to the clothing bank. Please note: we can only take in washed items.</p>		
Non uniform	In exchange for tombola items for the fair	All	24.11.23
Christmas Fair	Hall	All	6.12.23
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas dinner day	Please feel free to wear Christmassy items if your child doesn;t have a Christmas jumper, Please don't feel you need to purchase one.	All	7.12.23
Christmas Performance	Hall Due to capacity regulations, it's 2 x tickets per family.	Reception	11.12.23 2.15pm or 12.12.23 9:30am
Christmas Performance	Hall Due to capacity regulations, it's 2 x tickets per family.	KS1 (Y1&Y2)	13.12.23 2.15pm 14.12.23 9.30 am
Christmas Performance	Hall Due to capacity regulations, it's 2 x tickets per family.	Y3/4	14.12.23 2.15pm or 15.12.23 9.30am



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Toddler's Christmas Party and last session	Hall	Toddlers	13.12.23
Christmas movie night (after school)	Details to be confirmed	Reception - Y6	13.1.23 Further details to follow
Reception Christmas Crafts	Hall	Reception	11.12.23 9.15 am
Nursery Christmas Craft	Hall	Nursery	18.12.23 9.15 am
Reception Christmas party (during school time)	Hall	Reception	19.12.23
LKS2 Christmas party	Hall	Y3/4	21/12/23 (pm)
<b>UKS2 Christmas party</b>	<b>Hall</b>	<b>Y5/6</b>	<b>18/12/23 (pm)</b>
Whole school trip to the panto!	Tyne Theatre and Opera House, Newcastle. We have managed to secure half price tickets so for the bus and panto it's £16.	Reception - Y6	20.12.23
Last day of term, non uniform		All	22.12.23
<b>Carols at St Nicholas' Church</b>	<b>Parents/carers can attend</b>	<b>Y5 &amp; 6</b>	<b>19.12.23 10.00am start</b>
Breakfast with Mr Elf	Prices to be confirmed	Reception - Y6	19.12.23 or 21.12.23 Before school

## Other

Activity	Year group	Further Information	Date
Flu Immunisations	Reception - Y6	Forms have already been sent out via	24.11.23



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		email. Please complete.	
Cauliflower cards	All	Designs will be completed during Autumn 1. Orders and payments to be made online via Cauliflower cards.	
<b>Author visit to the CLV</b>  *This will be covered by routine visit consent forms.	<b>Y5/6</b>	<b>We will need parent volunteers for this trip to go ahead, please contact Miss Heneghan via Dojo if you can help,</b>	<b>6.11.23</b> <b>Setting off at 9.15 am, back by lunch time.</b>

## Parents' evenings and reports

Activity	Year group	Further Information	Date
Data reports	Reception to Y6	This will be an update on your child's progress.	Before Christmas
Parents' Evening	Reception to Y6	Further information will follow	Spring 2
End of year reports	Nursery to Y6	Further information will follow	Summer 2

## Attendance and Punctuality

We are currently arranging further meetings with families whose children fall below 90% attendance so we can work together to ensure all children are in school. Arriving at school





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in time really matters too. Did you know the impact of just 5 minutes everyday?

## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



### Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

**Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance**

### Uniform

Thank you very much for everyone's hard work with uniform, pupils are looking really smart in school.

### PE Kit

Over the last few weeks, on PE days we've noticed that pupils are beginning to wear joggers/ leggings that aren't plain black and some have writing on, Nike ticks, Adidas stripes etc. **After half term, please can we ensure that leggings and joggers are plain black as per the school uniform policy. Please can we also ask that earrings are removed for school and plastic inserts are used.**

### External works to school - cladding

During the half term holidays, contractors will be setting up around the school site in preparation for the removal and replacement of the external wooden cladding around the top of our school building. This work will take approx 6 weeks to complete. There will be contractors onsite during school hours for this duration. Please be assured that all contractors have DBS checks in place and will adhere to Health and Safety regulations. We will be working alongside the contractors to section off parts of the school building so we can all work safely with minimal disruption to our school day. Unfortunately to do this we will need to make some temporary changes to drop off and pick up zones around the school site. Once the final programme of works has been agreed, we will of course update you with the relevant changes.

**Have a lovely half term everyone from Team Shanklea**