



LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97%

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Nursery (Seahorses)	- 97.5%
Reception (Turtles)	- 99.1%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 97.8%
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 99.6%
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 98.7%
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 98.2%

Well Done Puffins!

STARS OF THE WEEK

**Eva Mather
Alfie Purvis
Lucas Melvin
Niall Baxter
Jack Stephenson
Donovan Hall
Kaidan Ramsay**

2020/21 SCHOOL DIARY

Weds 21st October	BAG2SCHOOL Collection
Thursday 22nd October	HARVEST COLLECTION
Friday 23rd October	3.30pm—School Closes for Half Term
Saturday 31st October	Halloween/Pumpkin photo deadline
Saturday 31st October	Online portal for application for Middle School places closes
Monday 2nd November	School Reopens for Autumn Term 2
Monday 9th November- Wednesday 11th November	Y4 Robinwood Residential Visit (TBC)

SCHOOL LOTTERY COUNTDOWN ARE YOU IN?

Our very first school lottery draw takes place TOMORROW AT 8PM so hopefully we'll be able to announce our first weekly winner just after that! Last week there were 2 winners of the £25,000 jackpot!

To get your tickets visit www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Amble Links. GOOD LUCK to the owners of the nearly 70 tickets already purchased!

HARVEST FOOD DONATIONS

We'll be collecting donations for the Amble Foodbank from Monday 19th October. It would be much appreciated if parents could start collecting together any dry or tinned food items or toiletries ready to send in to us. We hope that we will be able to make our usual large donation to this very good cause.

NORTHUMBERLAND FACE COVERINGS

Today, the children in Nursery to Y4 have been sent home with a #TeamNorthumberland snood type face covering and an information leaflet. These were unexpectedly delivered to us earlier in the week. We appreciate that children under the age of 11 are not required to wear face coverings and may wish to use theirs in another way (they are very versatile) or give it to an older family member. As these items do not contain labels so cannot be named, PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILD TO WEAR THEIRS TO SCHOOL! Having over 150 identical unnamed items in school would prove just too much of a challenge for us! Thank you.

SCHOOL WEBSITE CURRICULUM INFORMATION

We have remodelled our school website to hopefully make it easier to navigate for parents. In the 'Our Curriculum' section parents will be able to find out lots about what we plan for the children to learn at school during the year. Each class also has its own pages that include a range of resources such as knowledge organisers, web links, parent information sheets and much more that will help you find out about their current learning and how you can help at home.

OUR COVID ROUTINES

In order for us to reopen safely in September, we have been required to read hundreds of pages of guidance and write detailed risk assessments to ensure that our school is as safe as it can be for children, parents and staff. We appreciate that school is not exactly as it used to be prior to lockdown and that the rules and routines that we have in place may not please every member of the school community. We believe that all of what we have put in place is the best it can be in the circumstances. We would love to welcome parents to assemblies again and have more time to chat face to face but our priorities have had to change to fit the current circumstances we are placed under. We have been hugely impressed with how well the children have settled into routines in school and are getting on with their learning—we really can't ask any more of them. At times we have noticed that routines are not working as well as we had planned, or that some of the new rules we have put in place are not being adhered to. In response to this we are aiming to quickly get these back on track which may involve newsletter items, Facebook posts or direct conversations with parents. Please be patient and tolerant with our school staff in these circumstances as they are working under a great deal of additional pressure to ensure that the school and its grounds are as safe as they can be.

HALLOWEEN PHOTOS

Don't forget that we'll be on the lookout for some great Halloween photos being sent in to us for our competition. As the guidance advises against mixing of households, we'd like to see photos of the children in their own homes, perhaps with a carved pumpkin or a Halloween costume. We'll get these made into a video to publish on our website and Facebook page. We will also be offering a small prize for our favourite photograph from each year group. Photos should be sent to the school email address: admin@amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk by the end of Saturday 31st October (we've extended the deadline!)

WORD OF THE WEEK CHALLENGE

Look out for new and unfamiliar words with the children, discuss them and let us know any good ones that you find as part of the children's weekly homework:

**Y1: Lola - spectacular, Y2: Lilly - marvellous,
Y3: Lexi - opportunity, Y4: Toby - continuous**

BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

Our next Bag2School Clothes collection is on Wednesday 21st October. Please send in any unwanted clothes in bin liners from Monday 19th October. Any money raised from this collection go into PTA Funds used to support school in many different ways.





WE COLLECT DONATIONS FOR THE **AMBLE** FOOD BANK



Suggested items include

Toilet Rolls

Biscuits

Tooth paste, Shower Gel, Soap

Puddings, Cereal, Soup

Tinned Potatoes, Tinned carrots, Tinned sweet corn

Chopped tomatoes, Cooking Oil

Tinned peas, Tinned green beans

Pasta, Pasta sauce, Rice, Baked beans

Tinned pilchards, Tinned tuna

Tinned ham, Tinned luncheon meat, Tinned hot dogs

Coffee (100g), Tea (80 – 100), Sugar, Long life milk

Tinned beef and onion, Tinned sausage casserole

Tinned Irish stew, Tinned stewed steak

Tinned chilli con carne

Email address: amblefoodbank@gmail.com