



STARS OF THE WEEK

Eva Mather
William Armstrong
Jack Mason
Leo Burge
Cali Patterson
Mason McKay
Kyle Nyberg

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%
LAST WEEK: 97.9%

Nursery (Seahorses) - 95.6%
 Reception (Turtles) - 96.0%
 Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 97.7%
 Year 2 (Puffins) - 99.0%
 Year 3 (Sharks) - 99.1%
 Year 4 (Penguins) - 97.8%

Well Done Sharks!

2021 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 3rd May	School closed for May bank holiday
Monday 10th May	3pm-5pm—Year 1 Movie Night
Tuesday 11th May	3pm-5pm—Year 2 Movie Night
Wednesday 12th May	3pm-5pm—Year 3 Movie Night
Thursday 13th May	3pm-5pm—Year 4 Movie Night
Wednesday 19th May- Friday 21st May	Rescheduled Y4 residential visit to Robinwood
Friday 28th May	School Closes for Half Term Break (normal time)
Monday 7th June	School Reopens for Summer Half Term 2
Friday 16th July	School closes for Summer Holiday

Relationship, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) Consultation

At Amble Links First School, we are consulting parents about the RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) Curriculum and Policy which have been updated to be in line with the government's statutory guidelines. The government has made changes to what primary schools must teach for RSHE, and we have ensured we are meeting these requirements.

We have been teaching RSHE through the Jigsaw Scheme of Work for more than a year now ensuring that we have been fully prepared for these changes. We have been meeting the statutory expectation for the teaching of RSHE before it became mandatory.

We are sharing our policy and our curriculum so that you are aware of the changes that have been made and how RSHE is taught at Amble Links. Teaching of RSHE in school will also be supported by Jane Crudace, our school nurse, who would be happy to discuss any queries with parents.

Our Personal, Social, Health Education (PHSE) draft policy also includes our policy for teaching RSHE which has been updated with all the PSHE/RSHE lesson objectives covered for each year group. We would like your feedback on the policy and on the curriculum that we will be teaching. More information can be found on our [school website](http://www.ambleschools.co.uk) which includes a video explaining more and a short form for parents to provide any feedback. Please don't hesitate to get in touch should you have any queries.



PTA MOVIE NIGHTS

We're delighted to announce that we will again be running class PTA Movie Nights for Y1-Y4 children in May (see diary above). These were hugely

popular when we held them prior to Christmas and will again be based on the same model. The cost is £2.50 per child which includes a drink, hotdog and some sweets.

Bookings can be made by emailing:

admin@amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk. Or phoning school. We will send out more details about the organisation of these Movie Nights nearer the time.

REDUCING SOME OF OUR COVID SAFETY MEASURES

Covid cases in the area are now at much lower levels. Due to this we feel we can begin to reduce some of the restrictions that we have in place. The main change will be that our Y1 and Y4 children will be coming back into the hall for their lunches after having been served in their classrooms for the last 2 terms. We will still have very strict handwashing and sanitising expectations and children will be kept in their class bubbles throughout the school day—we do not foresee that this will change before the end of the school year. From next week, we will no longer be asking parents to wear face coverings at drop-off and pick up times although these should be worn if you need to visit the school office or speak directly to a member of staff. It is also important that parents still use our one way system and use the markings we have in place to ensure appropriate social distancing - limiting as many contacts as possible will continue to help prevent the spread of Covid.

As the government moves forward with their roadmap for reducing restrictions, governors have agreed that we will continue to be cautious in school. Parents should not expect all school restrictions to be lifted before the summer holidays and it is unlikely that we will be able to hold large gatherings. What we have had in place over the past year has generally been very successful and we are determined not to undo this! Thanks to all parents and family members who continue to support the measures we have in place to protect children, staff and yourselves.

PARENTS EVENINGS

We are currently looking at ways to offer face to face Parents Evenings nearer the end of the summer term. Look out for more details soon.

WORDS OF THE WEEK

Y1 -vanished (Carter) Y2 - invincible (Annabel)

Y3-vibrant (Nina) Y4—jovial (Hallie)

Finding a word of the week has really helped many children become more interested in different words and expand their vocabulary. If children see or hear a new word please take a few minutes to discuss its meaning.

DOODLEMATHS MEGASTAR!

This week we are celebrating more of our children reaching 100 day streaks in their DoodleMaths! Well done to: **Barney Falkous** for this amazing achievement!