



### PARENTS MEETING AND SPECIAL BOOK OFFER

We will be holding our annual, start of year parents' meeting on Tuesday 9th September straight after school in the hall. This will be a good opportunity to come along and find out more about some of the things we plan to do this year as well as some useful reminders about the day to day routines at Amble Links. In order to encourage more parents to come along to this meeting we will be offering a crèche for the children so you can concentrate fully! There will be an opportunity to talk with your child's class teacher at the end of the meeting too. We also have a limited number of new Julia Donaldson books available for parents to buy at a very special price of £5 for 2 books. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

### STARS OF THE WEEK

Seth Hale  
Kayleigh Bell  
Keira Wake  
Kyle Chambers  
Joe Goodfellow  
Kacey Thompson

### HOMEWORK

The children will get their first homework next Friday; this is to be returned on Wednesdays. The children will also be given a homework pack to ensure they all have a set of stationery to help produce really good quality homework—these were kindly provided with support from the Amble and Warkworth Round Table and Wilkinsons in Alnwick. Please don't forget that we also offer the children the opportunity to complete their homework at after school club each Monday. This year we will also be providing children with additional support with homework and reading at lunchtimes. We hope to see some great homework this and see many 'Homework Heroes' in school!

### 2014 SCHOOL DIARY

***NEW*** Thursday 4th September	9am—Meeting for Reception Parents. in Library
***NEW*** Tuesday 9th September	3.15pm Parents Meeting - Update about changes etc.
***NEW*** Friday 26th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning (after assembly)
***NEW*** Thursday 16th October	Bags 2 School Collection
***NEW*** Thursday 16th October	Harvest Assembly for children. Donations of vegetable for soup deadline.
***NEW*** Friday 17th October	Harvest Soup for parents after assembly
***NEW*** Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October	Parents' Evenings
***NEW*** Friday 24th October	Parents welcome to classrooms after assembly to see books
***NEW*** Friday 24th October	School Closes for half term 3.15pm)
***NEW*** Friday 7th November	Scarecrow Competition
***NEW*** Monday 24th - Wednesday 26th November	Year 4 Robinwood Residential

### Welcome to Miss Lightley

A really warm welcome to Miss Lightley, our new Deputy Headteacher, who has joined us this week. Please feel free to introduce yourself to her help make her feel welcome at Amble Links. Miss Lightley will be teaching the Y3 Sharks this year.

### Bags2School

Our next Bags2School collection is due on Thursday 16th October. We will get blue bags out to you as soon as they arrive. Please keep hold of any unwanted summer clothes for our collection.

### CLASS NEWSLETTERS

Look out for class newsletters (also available on the school website). These five more information about what the children are learning this half term and how you can help them.



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YEAR 4 PARENTS

Although we have only just started the school year it is important that parents of Year 4 pupils begin to think about applying for places at Middle School. The online portal for this opens on September 8th and closes on October 31st. The portal can be accessed at [www.northumberland.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=2312](http://www.northumberland.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=2312)

### Attendance and Punctuality

We closely monitor attendance and punctuality at school and are beginning to see improvements in our overall attendance rates. Please remember that you must complete a 'Leave of Absence

Request' (available from the office) if you plan to take your child out of school for a holiday or for any other reason. These forms give clear information about absence from school and potential penalty notices. Good attendance and punctuality really does make a difference to how well children do at school!

We will continue to do our 'In to Win' draws for children with 100% attendance each half term to win a trip to Spurreli.