



LINKS NEWS

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LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK: 93.2%

Nursery (Seahorses)	-93.0%
Reception (Turtles)	- 84.9%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 95.3%
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 99.0%
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 91.3%
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 95.6%

Well done Puffins!

PARENTS' EVENINGS

Our Autumn Parents Evenings are being held on 23rd and 24th October. 10 minute timeslots are available with class teachers and can be booked up with staff at the doors each morning. Please try to come along to find out how your child has settled in to their new class and what you can do to help with their learning.

THERE WILL BE NO MULTISPORTS, CONSERVATION OR GARDENING CLUBS ON 23rd or 24TH

BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

Our next Bag2School Collection to raise funds is on Thursday 25th October. Bags have already been sent home. Please bring in any old/unwanted clothes during the week beginning Monday 22nd October (but not before!). It is also acceptable to use black bin liners if you have lots!



YEAR 2 VISIT TO ALNWICK CASTLE

The Year 2 Puffins had a fantastic day at Alnwick Castle on Wednesday. They learnt lots more about castle life and even experienced a battle in the barbican when the Scottish knights gallantly defeated the English. They put their broomstick training to the test and most were brave enough to face the dragon in the Dragons Quest. A great day was had by all! More photos can be found on the school website.

SWIMMING—NEXT WEEK

Swimming lessons for next week are for **Year 2 on Thursday** and **Year 4 on Friday**. Please ensure children come to school with their swimming kit. We ask for a contribution of £4 per lesson (children have 1hr lessons every other week) or £2 if your child is entitled to Pupil Premium.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Jude Skinner
Bradley Ross
 Lillie-Mae Macnamara-Charlton
Faith Elliot
Olly Ison
Mason Mitchell

MOVIE NIGHT -TONIGHT!

It's Movie Night Tonight!
 For the price of £3, the children in Y1-Y4 are invited back to school from 5pm-7pm to watch *Hotel Transylvania 2* on the big screen. A hot dog, drink and sweets are included in the price.

HARVEST ASSEMBLY DONATIONS FOR AMBLE FOOD BANK

It's our harvest assembly with Revd John at 9am next Thursday. Parents are welcome to come along and join us. Each class will perform a short song/poem. We are again asking for donations of food towards the Amble Food Bank which provides food parcels to those in great need. In past years we have been pleased to be able to make a large donation of food to this very good cause and hope to be able to do the same again. Details of useful items to donate are included on the back of this newsletter.

ITS OK DAY

We've seen some fabulous ideas for our It's OK Day today. The photos will be on our Facebook Page. We've been really impressed with how sensitive and thoughtful our children are. Thanks to everyone who sent in donations. We raised £90 for EduKaid.

2018 SCHOOL DIARY

Friday 12th October	5pm-7pm MOVIE NIGHT for Y1-Y4 Children
Thursday 18th October	9am—Harvest Assembly
Tues 23rd & Weds 24th October	3.30 -6.00pm Parents' Evenings
Thursday 25th October	Bag2School Collection
Friday 26th October	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly
Friday 26th October	Pumpkin Competition
Friday 26th October	3.15pm - School closes for half term break
NEW Monday 5th November	SCHOOL CLOSED TEACHER TRAINING DAY
NEW Tuesday 6th November	School Re-opens for Autumn Half Term 2
NEW Mon 12th—Weds 14th November	Year 4 Residential Visit to Robinwood

WELCOMING NEW FAMILIES TO AMBLE

This week we have welcomed 2 new families from Iraq and Syria into our school with children in Y4 and in nursery. We have already been very impressed by the kindness and support that has been shown in the community for these families who have arrived with very little. We've heard of children donating toys and neighbours giving clothes to our families. Although they speak little English, a friendly smile and greeting goes a long way to making them feel welcome. We have already done some work with the children about why people sometimes need to leave their homes and move to another country and have been very impressed by their compassion and understanding.



PUMPKIN COMPETITION

Back by popular demand, we'll be holding our second decorated pumpkin competition soon. Children are invited to bring in a decorated/carved pumpkin on **Thursday 25th October** for judging. We'll announce our favourite one from each class in our final assembly of the half term on Friday 26th. When judging, we always look for items that the children have had a part in creating with parents and will be offering a small prize for every entry. We appreciate that this is a little earlier than Halloween itself but hopefully they'll just about survive until then!
 We're really looking forward to seeing your creations and will hopefully be able to make our hall look particularly spooky for our final assembly!