## Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS



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Attendance for Week 6Our school target is 95 %OVERALL LAST WEEK- 93%Reception (Turtles)88%Year 1 Jellyfish-94%Year 2 Puffins -95%Year 3 Sharks-95%Year 4 Penguins -91%Well Done Puffins and<br/>Sharks!Starks!



OUR LAST WEEK AT SCHOOL-WHAT A BUSY ONE

It's been a hugely busy week at Amble Links as we crammed most of our Christmas activities into the last week of term. The KS1 and 2 performance of 'A Midwife Crisis' was attended by 80-100 people for each of the 3 showings. As usual, the children put on a tremendous show despite only having a week to practise it all in!

Our church nativity this year included even more songs both modern and traditional led by Mrs Wilkinson's singers at the front. Well done to the KS2 readers too - it's quite daunting standing up and reading in front of so many people.

Santa made a flypast on Wednesday too. Unfortunately Mrs Claus didn't allow him to land this year but it was still great to see him - this is always a real highlight for the children.

Yesterday saw a group of KS2 singers walk along to St Oswald's Court to sing Christmas songs to the residents. This is something we know they look forward to every year and something we love to do for them.

This was followed by our school Christmas dinner. As usual our kitchen staff put on a truly magnificent spread. The Christmas spirit was really helped by this year's addition of Christmas jumpers and onesies!

Following dinner our Christmas treat was a whole school disco!

## PTA CHRISTMAS EVENTS

A huge 'Thank You' to our ever busy PTA who have worked tirelessly over the Christmas period to provide tea, coffee and biscuits at each performance, organised the Christmas Fair and the Gray's shopping evening and run the Christmas Raffle. In total, over the Christmas period they have raised £950

All of the money that is raised by the PTA is used to enhance our provision for the children. Please try to support our PTA in any way you can, whether it is attending events, helping out at events or actually joining the PTA. The MOre Hat You read, the MOre things You will know. The MOre that You Learn, the MOre places You'll go.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES RESTART ON OUR FIRST DAY BACK IN 2014. TUESDAY 7th JANUARY



The staff and governors at Amble Links would like to wish you a very happy Christmas and look forward to working with you in 2014!

## 2014 SCHOOL DIARY

Tuesday 7th January	RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR SPRING TERM
*** <b>NEW</b> *** Friday 17th January	NSPCC 'Green Themed' dressing up day. More info soon
***NEW*** Friday 7th March	World Book Day (Book Character Costumes)
*** <b>NEW</b> *** Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th March	Parents' Evenings

## READING AT HOME

Reading remains a huge priority at Amble Links. During next term we will be looking to increase reading opportunities for children even further by increasing our library provision even more and giving all children more opportunities to access the library during the school day. We plan to organise an event

for parents to come and join us to find out more about how to help their children to become better readers. Children who read at home with an adult on a regular basis develop their reading skills much

more quickly. During the holiday please try to give a little time every day to read

with your child and don't forget to write any comments you have into their reading record - it really helps us!



Visit our website at: www.amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk for lots more information!!

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