Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

FIRST SCHOOL

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LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 97.4%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -98.6%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 96.0%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 98.3%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 96.5%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 99.6%

 Year 4 (Penquins)
 - 96.4%

Well done Sharks!

STARS OF THE

WEEK

Oliver Wright Lucas Melvin

Kayden Montgomery

Issy Dunn
Toby Dawson
Poppy Hall
Liam Short

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NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK ACTIVITIES

As part of National Science Week, each class in KS1 and KS2 enjoyed a science lesson with a visiting specialist science teacher on Wednesday. The children enjoyed predicting, investigating and making observations as scientists!Y4 were greatly inspired with their morning spent at JCSC for Science Week. Using bunsen burners, they tested chemicals to identify the mystery liquid that had been found. They also designed and built structures, using straws, that would hold weights suspended from them. Our strongest structure held 44g! We have some budding young scientists and engineers in Year 4!

MISSING SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming is part of the National Curriculum and therefore a compulsory part of a child's education. Children should therefore only miss swimming lessons in exceptional circumstances. The general rule of thumb should be that if a child is well enough to be at school then they should be well enough to go swimming. If your child is not to take part in their swimming for any reason PLEASE LET US KNOW THE REASON FOR THIS IN WRITING. As we are unable to provide additional supervision for children not swimming they will still be taken to the pool with their class. Children who come to school with no swimming kit will be provided with a spare school kit if we are unable to contact parents.

PTA EVENTS

Thanks to everyone who supported or helped out at Movie Night last week. £210 was raised. Our next event is Quiz Night on March 29th. Entry forms should be handed in at the office as soon as possible as places are limited. We've also got a disco planned for Tuesday 2nd April.

BUYING SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are now keeping a much reduced stock of uniform items in the school office and encourage parents to purchase uniform directly from the supplier (details above). The website includes a range of items including hats, coats and the usual uniform items. For no extra cost, items can be delivered to school. So far we have been very impressed by the speed and reliability of the service.

SWIMMING-NEXTWEEK

Swimming lessons next week are for Year 1 on Thursday and Year 3 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. These contributions allow swimming lessons to continue.

PUNCTUALITY CHALLENGE

Our target is set at 28 again. This week we've had 5 lates (most on one day). Our total is now 13. We may even reach our target and achieve a whole school reward this half term!

2019 SCHOOL DIARY

Wednesday 20th March	Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop
Wednesday 20th March	Year 4 Art Workshop in class
Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th , Wednesday 27th March	PARENTS' EVENINGS
Thursday 28th March	9am—Year 3 Sharks Class Assembly
Friday 29th March	Non-uniform Day Bring an Easter Egg!
Friday 29th March	7pm PTA QUIZ NIGHT
Tuesday 2nd April	PTA EASTER DISCOS N-Y1 4pm-5pm Y2-4 5.15pm - 6.15pm
Thursday 4th April	9am—Year 2 Puffins Class Assembly
Thursday 4th April	EASTER HAT COMPETITION
Friday 5th April	2pm—SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER HOLIDAY

WORD OF THE WEEK CHALLENGE

The children continue to be enjoying finding out about many new words and explaining the meaning of them . Our favourite words chosen this week are: Y1—united (Ollie A), Y2-hesitant (Oliver W), Y3- Belittled (Liam B) Y4-fragile (Fraya H). Keep up the good work!

CLASS WORKSHOPS

Next week children in Year 2 will be taking part in a Great Fire of London Workshop on Wednesday and Year 4 will be welcoming an artist to work with them to create an Amazon Rainforest themed piece of artwork. Although we heavily subsidise these visits we also really appreciate the contributions that parents make that allow the children to take part in these experiences. Any contributions should be sent in to the school office as soon as possible please.

NURSERY AND LITTLE PEBBLES PLACES

If you are wishing your younger children to have a place in our Little Pebbles 2 Year Old Provision or Nursery (Seahorses), it is important that you fill in the relevant application forms and return them to the office as soon as possible. Forms for both also include admissions policies which detail when and how places are allocated. Little Pebbles is especially popular and is running at capacity most of the time so getting a place after application deadlines can often be quite tricky! Please call in and speak to Mrs Dellbridge in the school office for more information or to collect forms.

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