

Amble Links First School

LINKS NEWS



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STARS OF THE WEEK

Jonas Smith
Autumn Stanford
Sophia Gair
Alice Willis
Willow Nyberg
Ava Purvis
Eden Handyside

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%
LAST WEEK: 95.5%

Nursery (Seahorses) - 94.5%
Reception (Turtles) - 95.7%
Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 96.8%
Year 2 (Puffins) - 92.0%
Year 3 (Sharks) - 94.8%
Year 4 (Penguins) - 96.7%

Well Done Jellyfish!

2021 SCHOOL DIARY

Tues 19th October	Harvest Assembly (Pupils only) - Donations for Amble Food Bank
Weds 20th October	Bag2School collection
Thursday 21st October	Pumpkin Competition
Friday 22nd October	It's OK Day
Friday 22nd October	SCHOOL CLOSING FOR HALF TERM
Monday 1st November	School Reopens for Autumn 2
NEW Tuesday 9th November	3.20pm Final Robinwood Parents Meeting (Y4)
Mon 15th November— Weds 17th November	Year 4 Residential Visit to Robinwood
Fri 19th November	Year 4 Bikeability training
Weds 24th November	Y1-Y4 To Dovecote Theatre for Pantomime

HARVEST ASSEMBLY—TUESDAY

We'll be holding our harvest assembly with the children on Tuesday morning. Revd John will be coming along to talk about the meaning of harvest with us. As we have done for the past few years, we will be asking for harvest donations towards Amble Foodbank. In recent years we have sent huge donations to the food bank and we hope that this year will be no exception. Mrs Dellbridge has sent out a list of appropriate items which can be sent into school any time before our assembly on Tuesday morning to add to the donations that have already arrived.

PUMPKIN COMPETITION



The children were very excited when we told them that we'd be holding a pumpkin competition again this year! There will be a small prize for every entry as well as prizes for our favourite pumpkin from each class. Pumpkins must be named and sent into school with your child on the morning of Thursday 21st October. If possible, please include a small battery powered light source inside your child's pumpkin. We'll send pumpkins home with the children on Friday 22nd October.

IT'S OKAY DAY—NEXT FRIDAY

Next Friday is It's Okay Day! We're asking the children to come into school wearing an outfit that helps share the message that it's okay to be different. The idea is based on Todd Parr's book which you can see him reading [HERE](#). The children have already been telling us about some of the ideas that they have for their outfits.



As part of our ongoing fundraising to support Mgao Pre-Primary School in Tanzania we will also be asking children to bring in donations that EduKaid will put to very good use to help the school.

PE AND AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS AND EARRINGS

As the weather gets colder we ask that parents please send children to school with appropriately warm clothes for children who play football on Tuesdays or Thursdays. We are getting an increasing number of children who are coming to school without PE kits on for their PE days which then means school staff having to spend additional time chasing parents. PE days are Thursday for Y1 & Y2 and Friday for Y3 & Y4.

FOR SAFETY, AND FOLLOWING PE GUIDANCE, CHILDREN SHOULD NOT WEAR EARRINGS FOR PE OR SPORTS CLUBS. They must be able to remove their own earrings, come to school without them on PE days or wear clear plastic retainers. Again, staff are spending valuable time dealing with earrings which takes away from other tasks.

BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Our next Bag2School Collection is on Wednesday 20th October. Please bring in any bags of unwanted/unused clothes before 9am on Wednesday 20th October. The collection is usually very early.



KIND VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you to Colin Sleightholm, Carl Anderson, Karl Morrison, Alfie Caven-Gomez, Mrs Caven-Gomez, Joe and Frankie for their help moving sand and soil at the weekend. With many hands we got the job done really quickly. The children are loving being back in the sand!

PARENTS EVENINGS

We were pleased to have been able to hold face to face parents' evenings this week, giving parents a chance to meet their child's new teacher and find out how children have settled in to their new classes. We were pleased that the majority of parents made appointments and came along. If you were not able to make an appointment and would still like to speak with your child's class teacher, please contact the office.

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