



### Attendance for Last Week

*Our School Target is 97%*

**LAST WEEK WE ACHIEVED 97%**

*Class percentages for last week :*

Reception (Turtles) - 93%

Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 99%

Year 2 (Puffins) - 97%

Year 3 (Sharks) - 96%

Year 4 (Penguins) - 98%

**Well done Jellyfish!**

### STARS OF THE WEEK

All of our children have been stars in their performances over the last couple weeks! Well done to all of our pupils!!

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### 2017 SCHOOL DIARY

Tuesday 3rd January	SCHOOL CLOSED Teacher Training Day
Wednesday 4th January	School Re-opens for Spring Term
***NEW*** Tuesday 10th January	9am-'Reading Army' training for parents/volunteers
***NEW*** Tuesday 17th January	3.15pm -Robinwood 2017 Meeting for Y3 Parents
***NEW*** Thursday 19th January	Swimming lessons restart (See below)
***NEW*** Thursday 16th February	9am - Y3 Sharks Class Assembly
***NEW*** Friday 17th February	Parents invited to classrooms after assembly
***NEW*** Friday 17th February	3.15pm- School closes for half term break.

## A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!

We would like to thank everyone who came along to our Christmas events during the last couple of weeks; we hope that you have enjoyed them as much as we have! We would especially like to thank parents who came to just one of our performances which helped us ensure that numbers were manageable and that we were able to fit everybody in; this should help us avoid giving out tickets to each family next year which would limit numbers. All of the staff at Amble Links would like to thank you for the cards and gifts that have been brought in for us this Christmas; yet again we are touched by your kindness and generosity.

### Goodbye to Mrs Purvis, hello to Miss Morton

Today is Mrs Purvis's last day with our Seahorses classes. Mrs Purvis has been with us as a supply teacher since September and is heading off to work in another school. We'd like to thank her for all of her hard work during her time with us and wish her all the best in her new role. Taking over as our new Seahorses class teacher will be Miss Wendy Morton. Miss Morton has already been in and met the staff and children and we're sure that our Seahorses will very quickly settle into 2017 and continue to make great progress. Parents are welcome to pop in and introduce themselves to Miss Morton at the start of next term.

### PLACES FOR OUR RECEPTION CLASS IN SEPTEMBER 2017

Parents of our current Seahorses children are reminded that the closing date for the online admissions portal at <https://goo.gl/ttp0ov> is **JANUARY 15th 2017**. Applications made after this time are treated as late applications. Further information has been added to the back of this newsletter for nursery parents. **PLEASE NOTE THAT EVEN IF YOUR CHILD HAS A PLACE IN OUR SCHOOL NURSERY THEY ARE NOT GUARANTEED A PLACE IN RECEPTION. PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION NOW!**

### PTA CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING

We'd like to thank our PTA for their extra hard work over the Christmas period. They have raised over £1100 during this time. Our Christmas Raffle prize winners are: Alex Bremner, Freya Goodfellow, Charlene (Radcliffe), Evie Bell, Shauntae Henderson, Faith Elliott, Ross Allan, Willow Nyberg, Suzy Purvis, Shelley Milroy, Alexya Wright, Jax Burns, Hanna Rutherford.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please don't forget that we expect all children to be wearing school uniform; including black shoes. Our policy is available to view on the school website. We look forward to seeing the children in smart uniforms as they return to school in 2017.

### FREE DISCO TODAY

The old storehouse are holding a free disco in their function room for First School children on Friday 16th at 2.30pm until 5pm.



### SWIMMING LESSONS



**Swimming Restarts—Thursday 19th January for Y2 and Friday 20th for Y4**

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS INFORMATION

Normal after school clubs will begin on the first day the children are back to school. Sports Club (Football, Dance and Karate) will resume in week beginning 9th January. Parents are reminded that Football, Dance, and Karate Clubs are free of charge and that Homework Club on a Monday is also free of charge to children entitled to Pupil Premium. We are currently investigating options to replace Cricket Club.