Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

FIRST SCHOOL

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STARS OF THE

WEEK

William Armstrong
Delilah Dryden
Nancy Baxter
Mason Morrison
Einin Lewis
Myanna Jukes
Skylar Cowie

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 95.7%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -94.3%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 98.0%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 93.4%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 96.1%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 99.2%

 Year 4 (Penguins)
 - 93.4%

Well Done Sharks!

SCHOOL PHOTOS- NEXT WEEK

We'll be welcoming the photographer back to school on Tuesday for school photographs. We'll be having individual photographs taken as well as photos of pupils with siblings who are in school. Unfortunately we will not be able to have photographs taken with older or younger siblings as we previously have dome. We hope that this can resume next year. Please ensure that your child comes to school in smart school uniform ready for their photograph. We'll send purchasing options out soon after the photos. Please be aware that there are quite limited deadlines for returning payment if you wish to receive photos without additional postage charges.

PARENTS EVENINGS 11th-13th October

Teachers have agreed that we would like to run face to face Parents' Evening this half term. These meetings will allow parents to meet their child's new teacher, discuss new class routines and expectations and identify any early concerns.

Parents will be asked to wait outside school

prior to their timeslots and wear face coverings for their meetings. Meeting slots will need to be time limited to 8 minutes to allow us to make these arrangements work. We will initially contact parents with more than one child in the school to arrange timeslots so there is not too much waiting between appointments. We ask that parents try to be as flexible as possible to make this work.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOL

Thanks to the parents who responded to our recent email about claiming Free School Meals. Even though all children in Reception - Y2 can receive a free dinner, it is vital that parents check if they are entitled to benefits related free school meals as this brings additional funding in to school. Please check to see if you are entitled by clicking HERE. This funding can help us continue to provide services such as our school nurse.

HARVEST ASSEMBLY

We plan to hold our harvest assembly on Tuesday 19th October. Unfortunately we cannot invite parents to attend again. We'll be collecting donations for the Amble Food bank again prior to this assembly.

BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

Our next Bag2School Collection is on Wednesday 20th October. This is a great opportunity to clear out any old or unwanted clothes and help raise funds for our PTA at the same time. We'll get bags sent out as soon as possible but any bags can be used

PARENTS MUST ENSURE THAT NEW ONLINE EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS FORMS ARE COMPLETED FOR EVERY CHILD

2021 SCHOOL DIARY

| Tues 28th September | Individual and (siblings in school) photographs |
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| ***NEW*** Mon 11th, Tues 12th, Weds 13th October | PARENTS EVENINGS |
| ***NEW*** Tues 19th October | Harvest Assembly (Pupils only) - Donations for Amble Food Bank |
| Weds 20th October | Bag2School collection |
| ***NEW*** Friday 22nd October | It's OK Day |
| Friday 22nd October | SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM |
| Monday 1st November | School Reopens for Autumn 2 |
| 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 |

IT'S OK DAY IS BACK!

As part of our learning about the British values of diversity and tolerance, we are holding another It's OK Day on Friday 22nd October. Children will be invited to come to school dressed up in a costume that they wish to make an It's OK statement about—examples could include 'It's OK to be old', 'It's OK to have pink hair', It's OK for boys to dance'...etc. There are some great examples from our previous It's OK Day on the SCHOOL WEBSITE.. We will also be asking the children to bring in a donation to our chosen charity, EdUKaid so we can continue to support them in their work to help schools in Tanzania,

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We were absolutely overwhelmed by the donations of cakes we received. By lunchtime we'd raised over £200 and that's before selling any to parents! What a great effort!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ALLOCATIONS

We have allocated places at after school sports clubs to ensure that all children who wanted places in clubs have been allocated a place in at least one of those clubs. Due to limited numbers we can take at clubs ,children who did not get places have been added to a waiting list and will be offered places as they arise based on the order we received requests.

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