



Attendance for Week 4

Our school target is 95 %

OVERALL LAST WEEK- 93%

Reception (Turtles) 98%

Year 1 Jellyfish- 92%

Year 2 Puffins - 95%

Year 3 Sharks- 92%

Year 4 Penguins - 91%

Well Done Turtles!



STARS OF THE WEEK

Noah Dixon
Alexya Wright
Rylie Grey
Grace Dawson
David Withey
Jay Lillico

2014 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 7th July	Sports Day 1pm (Nursery in the morning— 9.30am)
Tuesday 8th July	Transition Day (Y4 to Middle School)
Tuesday 8th July, Wednesday 9th July, Thursday 10th July	Parents' Evenings
Week Ending Friday 11th July	LAST SWIMMING SESSIONS FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS
Monday 14th July	5pm Y4 Leavers Performance
NEW Tuesday 15th July	Foundation Stage Ugly Bug Ball
Wednesday 16th July	2.15pm 'Thank You' Cream Tea for volunteers
Thursday 17th July	12.30pm The Great Amble Links Picnic and Pea Hunt
Friday 18th July	2pm School ends for Summer Holiday



SPORTS DAY -MONDAY

It's Sports Day for Reception to Y4 on Monday 7th July - Let's hope that the weather is kind for us! We will be aiming to start as soon as possible after 1pm. Parents are invited to attend but will only be able to access the field through the gate at the main entrance once we have taken the children in after lunch. In the interest of safety we ask that parents please stay on the side of the running track closest to school—we will sit the children inside the track. Seating is extremely limited so why not bring a blanket to sit on?? The PTA will be selling refreshments and Mrs Britton's Little Shop will also be open. Please ensure that your child has their full PE kit for Sports Day including a T-Shirt of their house team colour. We will keep you posted via Facebook and the school website if we need to make any changes due to weather. A separate letter has been sent out about nursery sports on Monday morning.



TRANSITION DAY—NEXT TUESDAY (8th July)

We can't believe that we are already at another Transition Day and getting ready for the next academic year! our Y4 children will be spending the day at the Middle School (letters have already been sent out from JCSC about this) whilst the rest of the children in school will be spending the day in the class they will be in next year. The children should come to school at the usual time on Tuesday and enter school through their usual doors. We will register the children then take them into the hall from where they will go to their new classes. Nursery children who are NOT becoming Turtles in September should come along for the MORNING SESSION (8.45—11.45) as Nursery will only be running a morning session at the start of next year.

Children becoming Turtles will be in school all day.

We're also delighted to have appointed Miss Louise Lightley as our new Deputy Headteacher to our teaching team - look out for her and come and say 'hello'!

Class Organisation for Next Year

Foundation Stage

Nursery (Seahorses) - Mrs Wilkinson Reception (Turtles) - Mrs Screaton

Key Stage 1

Year 1 (Jellyfish) - Miss Vescio Year 2 (Puffins) - Mrs Oliver

Key Stage 2

Year 3 (Sharks) - Miss Lightley Year 4 (Penguins) - Miss Barnes

Mrs Justice will be covering some teacher release time each week too.

PROPOSED STRIKES - JULY 10th
You'll be pleased to hear that AMBLE LINKS WILL REMAIN OPEN on July 10th and will be unaffected by the proposed strikes you may have heard about.

We hope you found your child's report informative. Don't forget to sign up for a Parents' Evening slot to discuss this in much more detail. It is also very important that you carefully read the Leave of Absence information you received with the report - this should clarify any queries you have about holidays during term time. We also hope that any parents who feel that their child may be entitled to Pupil Premium to get in touch with us.



Well done to our highest point scorer for last week : **Grace Armstrong** won with **8055pts**

The class which won the most awards were the Puffins with 12 Certificates.



The Great Amble Links Picnic and Pea Hunt

Our Family Picnic and Pea Hunt will be taking place on Thursday 17th July. The family picnic will take place in the Foundation Stage outdoor area and picnic area at 12.30pm. Families are welcome to come along and join us at that time **but must enter through the Foundation Stage gate—all other gates will be locked.** Children who normally have a school dinner will be provided with a packed lunch by school. Please feel free to bring along your picnic hampers, blankets and anything else to make your picnic extra special! Last year we saw some amazing picnics!! We will bring the children outside to join you at 12.30pm. The Pea Hunt will begin at about 1.15pm and end at about 2pm. Morning Nursery will be running as usual. Parents are invited to come along and picnic from 11.45 if they wish or can take children home and return for the Pea Hunt at 1pm. Afternoon nursery children will also be a part of the picnic and Pea Hunt - parents are invited to stay with the children from 12.15pm when they bring the children to school. After the Pea Hunt children will need to return to their classrooms from where they can be collected by parents. If the weather is poor the picnic will be held indoors but we will still try to run the Pea Hunt as usual.



LEAVERS ASSEMBLY

It's a very busy time for our Year 4 children who only have 2 weeks left with us at Amble Links. On Monday 14th at 5pm they will be treating us with their performance of 'Little Red Riding Hood and the Wolf'. They've been practising hard and there have been some very strange noises coming from the hall! Parents of Year 4 children, as well as other friends and family members are welcome to come along. There will be a small raffle which will be drawn at the end of the performance with proceeds going towards the Y4 Leavers' Party.



Y4 CLARINET PERFORMANCE

Once again we were treated to an amazing clarinet performance by our Year 4 children in assembly this morning. The children have worked so hard during this year to master such a difficult instrument. We plan for next year's Year 4 children to also have weekly clarinet lessons with an external music teacher.

FOUNDATION STAGE UGLY BUG BALL

Tuesday 15th July

On Tuesday 15th July, Foundation Stage are holding their Ugly Bug Ball.

This involves the children and staff coming to school dressed as a minibeast such as a butterfly, caterpillar, fly etc etc. The children in reception have already thought about costume design possibilities for homework. The day will be full of minibeast related fun and games as well as some tasty treats like minibeast themed cakes!

There will be prizes for our favourite minibeast costumes! Look out for photographs on the website and on our Facebook page!



ATTENDANCE TREATS

Despite attendance levels during the summer term not being as good as we would hope it is looking likely that overall attendance has improved in school from last year. During the last week of term the class that has won the attendance award will be treated to a movie with all the trimmings whilst this half term's 'You have to be in to win' draw winners will also enjoy their visit to Spurreli for a well-deserved ice cream!



DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR PARENTS' EVENINGS WITH CLASS TEACHERS!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR RECEPTION AND KS1 CHILDREN NEXT YEAR

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be entitled to a free school meal next year as part of a government initiative. We will be sending a letter out soon to ask if you would like your child to take this meal each day. We strongly encourage you to take up this offer. It is also important that you still register your child for Pupil Premium if they would normally be entitled to a free school meal. Children not taking the meal will still need to be provided with a packed lunch each day.

SWIMMING BADGES

Parents often ask about the children completing swimming badges at school swimming lessons. Unlike private lessons, the children have a very limited amount of 1 to 1 time with an instructor. The staff at the pool monitor the children's progress and badges are awarded when they reach certain triggers. Also, once the children pass their 25m distance badge it is expected that their stroke will be of good standard to achieve further badges. We're happy to award swimming badges achieved privately on Friday assemblies!