Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

FIRST SCHOOL

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STARS OF THE WEEK Indie Sleightholm Poppy Bould

Poppy Bould Nancy Baxter Sam Whitfield Carter Cramman Emma Mudd Issy Dunn

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 95.1%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -92.5%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 98.1%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 96.8%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 92.0%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 94.4%

 Year 4 (Penguins)
 - 93.8%

Well Done Turtles again!

EASTER EGG RAFFLE

We know we've asked a lot of parents in recent weeks regarding our Ukraine appeal but Easter is fast approaching and the shops are already full of chocolate eggs. Our PTA will once again be holding their very popular Easter egg raffle and are asking for donations towards this. There will be a treat at the office for all children bringing in an egg. Raffle tickets will go on sale very soon. As usual our PTA will be buying an Easter egg for all children and giving them all one free entry to the raffle. This is one of our best PTA fundraising events so please try and support it with donations. This is an event that the children really love and we're usually able to pull together a huge number of prizes!

Please remember that our PTA are always very busy working hard to raise funds which are used in a number of ways to provide extra resources and experiences for the children as well as supporting and subsidising other school activities. If you have any great fundraising ideas please call in and speak with Mrs Dellbridge in the school office. Extra PTA volunteers are also more than welcome to join the small team of dedicated parents and staff who do so much to support our school.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Mrs Dellbridge has been very busy contacting parents to book parents' evening appointments for Tuesday 29th or Wednesday 30th March. It is our aim for parents of ALL children to attend in order for us to talk though how your child is performing at school and what you can do help them with their learning at home. Teachers will also discuss a range of other issues with you including your child's attendance report, behaviour and latest assessment information. Working closely with parents is a key aspect of helping the children catch up with missed learning after 2 disrupted years. If you are unable to attend, we will do our best to We ask that wherever possible, children do not attend with parents as we want to keep the number of people in the hall to a minimum. After School Club will still be running in the computer room although there will be no KS2 football session held that week.

COMPUTERS AVAILABLE FOR HOMEWORK

Much of the homework that we set for children at Amble Links is using fun online tools such as Doodlemaths and Reading Buddy. Children are often telling us that they have not been able to access these to do their homework as they do not have a suitable device or that they cannot access the tools on the devices that they are using. As we have previously mentioned, we have a number of laptop devices that we are able to loan out to our pupils in order for them to access their homework and complete the daily and weekly tasks that we set for them. If you feel that your child would benefit from borrowing one of these devices please let us know and we'll get one to you as soon as possible. We really expect that not having an appropriate device will never again be a reason for children not to access their homework.

2022 SCHOOL DIARY	
Monday 28th March	Y2 & 3 Visit to Church for Easter Experience
Tuesday 29th March	PARENTS EVENINGS
Wednesday 30th March	PARENTS EVENINGS
Thursday 31st March	Y4 Visit to church for Easter Experience
NEW Thursday 7th April	Deadline for Building Site Safety Competition
NEW Friday 8th April	PTA Easter Egg Raffle
Friday 8th April	2pm—School Closes for Easter Break
Monday 25th April	School reopens for Summer Term
Friday 1st July	SCHOOL CLOSED in lieu of additional Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday

FINAL FUNDRAISING TOTAL FOR UKRAINE APPEAL



Along with the £1326 we raised last week, we are delighted to announce

that we have raised a further £253 with the raffle this week. This makes a very impressive total of £1579 raised by the Amble Links First School Community for the Ukrainian Humanitarian Appeal. We would like to thank everyone who has donated in any way for the immense generosity that you have shown. Raffle winners: Flowers: Linda Williams, Hamper and voucher for Headmasters: Rhys Biggs, Prosecco and Chocolates: Donovan Hall, Wine and Chocolates: Lynne Graham, Bubblebath: Alfie Purvis

BUILDING SITE SAFETY VISIT AND POSTER COMPETITION

As you will have seen from our email earlier this week, we welcomed a visitor from ESH construction to our assembly on Tuesday. ESH are soon starting to build on a large development near Gloster Park. Our visitor talked with the children about some of the dangers of building sites and about how workers stay safe. The children have now been invited to make a building site safety poster for a competition to win a book token and site visit. The winning entries will have their posters enlarged and printed onto site hoardings at the new site. We have already sent a letter and a piece of paper home giving more detail and examples. Please ensure that you child's name is on the back of the poster before returning it to school by Thursday 7th April.

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