



LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97%

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Nursery (Seahorses)	-96.7%
Reception (Turtles)	-96.9%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	-99.2%
Year 2 (Puffins)	-97.3%
Year 3 (Sharks)	-98.2%
Year 4 (Penguins)	-97.8%

Well Done Jellyfish!

STARS OF THE WEEK

**Mason Morrison
Ellis Paterson
Hildi Wehr
Cali Patterson
Imogen Douglas-Matthewson
Alec Douglas
Zak Wilson**

2019/20 SCHOOL DIARY

NEW Tuesday 4th February	NO LEGO CLUB DUE TO STAFF TRAINING
Tuesday 11th February	PTA Discos Nursery -Y1: 4-5pm Y2-Y4: 5.15-6.15pm No Football, Lego or Book Club
Friday 14th February	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly
Friday 14th February	3.15pm - School Closes for Half Term
Monday 24th February	School reopens
Friday 28th February	5-7pm PTA Movie Night For Y1-Y4 Clubs closes at 4.4.5pm
Tues 17th & Weds 18th March	PARENTS' EVENINGS

Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenge!

Along with this letter, you will receive another letter about a Mental Health and Wellbeing Family Challenge that you may wish to take part in. Schools and other settings in Amble, Warkworth and Widdrington are getting involved and we really hope that many of our families will also take part in the activities that are on offer and/or the 30 Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenges that are included. We'd love to hear about families completing these challenges or even see photos of these!

Golden Mile

The children are really enjoying the challenge of the additional 10 minutes 'Golden Mile' time that they have in school each day. Some children like to run, whilst others prefer to walk and chat with their friends. Many of the children are already reporting that they feel fitter for doing this and many are meeting their own personal challenges and increasing the number of laps they do. The purpose of the Golden Mile is to help the children improve their physical and mental wellbeing.

Druridge Bay Parkrun

The Golden Mile has shown us that we have some really good young runners in our school. An ideal next step for them could be to take part in the Druridge Bay Parkrun which takes place at 9am every Saturday at Druridge Bay Country Park. It's free to take part and participants can walk or run the 5km (3 miles) - children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult. A few of our children, staff, parents and grandparents take part on a regular basis and it would be great to see more of our families there. To sign up and get a barcode visit: www.parkrun.org.uk/register/. To find out more have a chat with Mr Heeley, Mrs Oliver, Mrs Goodfellow or Mrs Angus who are all regular runners!

HOME /SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

At Amble Links we work really hard to build strong relationships with parents in order to help our children achieve the best they possibly can. One of the very best things that any parent can do is support their child to read regularly at home and complete their other homework tasks. We are really mindful of the challenges that many parents face with trying to get children to complete homework when they have so many other things to do too and therefore don't set large amounts. It makes a huge difference to how the children do at school when they do a little extra at home too. We're already seeing many more children reading their new Read Write Inc reading books at home with an adult and teachers are noticing a positive impact on those children's learning! Thank you!

WORD OF THE WEEK CHALLENGE

This week's words of the week are: rich (Sofia A), communicate (Sophie R), chorus (Kate S), strenuous (Noah B). We love hearing the children telling us the meanings of the words they have found and seeing them trying to include some of these in their writing!

CLUB CHANGES FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

Unfortunately, due to staff training and discos there will be no Lego Club for the next 2 Tuesdays.

There will also be no Book Club or KS1 Football Club on Tuesday 11th February
Due to the Movie Night, After School Club will finish at 4.45pm on 28th February.

CHECKING CHILDREN'S DEVICES

Many children have access to devices that allow them to go online; these include phones, tablets and games consoles. **DO YOU REALLY KNOW WHAT THE CHILDREN ARE ACCESSING OR WHAT KIND OF CONVERSATIONS THEY MAY BE HAVING ONLINE AND WHO WITH?**

We strongly recommend that parents regularly check children's devices and carefully monitor online conversations in order to support them in behaving appropriately online and protect them from other online risks. If you have any questions, Mr Heeley is our Online Safety Co-ordinator.

PUNCTUALITY TARGETS

Our target for lates this half is less than 32.
WE EXPECT THE CHILDREN TO BE READY TO COME INTO SCHOOL PROMPTLY WHEN THE DOORS OPEN AT 8.45am. This gives them a settled start to the day.
So far this half term we have 31 lates.

SWIMMING—NEXT WEEK

Swimming lessons next week are for Y1 on Thursday and Y3 on Friday. Please ensure that children bring their swimming kits and contributions to school on the morning of their lessons.