



STARS OF THE WEEK

Eris Gray
Warren Smith
Reign Bowl
Paige Crisp
Lacey Hunter
Oliver Wright
Jack Forsyth

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%
LAST WEEK OF 2022: 92.5%
Nursery (Seahorses) - 78.2%
Reception (Turtles) - 86.1%
Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 95.9%
Year 2 (Puffins) - 95.7%
Year 3 (Sharks) - 98.2%
Year 4 (Penguins) - 86.7%

Well Done Sharks!

2023 SCHOOL DIARY

NEW Tuesday 31st January	Y1 PE Multiskills Festival—Ashington
****NEW*** Friday 10th February	Parents invited to classrooms to see books after assembly
NEW Friday 17th February	Coffee Morning after assembly in aid of EdUKaid
NEW Friday 17th February	3.10pm School closes for half term break
NEW Tuesday 28th February	School reopens for Spring Half Term 2
NEW Monday 20th March	Year 4 Skipping Festival - Ashington
NEW Tues 21st & Weds 22nd March	PARENTS' EVENINGS
NEW Thursday 30th March	Y2 Gymnastics Festival—Ashington
NEW Friday 31st March	2pm—SCHOOL CLOSING FOR EASTER BREAK

HEALTHY PACKED LUNCHES

Along with this newsletter we have enclosed a copy of our packed lunches policy and some information from Jane, our School Nurse, about packed lunches. On a daily basis we see a wide range of packed lunches that the children bring into school that vary greatly in content, quantity and nutritional value. We hope that parents of children who bring a packed lunch find this information useful and that it may help more children have more healthy and nutritious packed lunches whilst also saving parents money at the same time.

Please note that all children in Reception to Y2 are entitled to a free school meal through the government's Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme. There are always at least 2 meal choices along with access to our salad bar and options can be chosen at home, online with parents. Why not give them a try? Dinners for all other children (unless entitled to Free School Meals) cost £2.20 per day or £11.00 per week.



THE AMBLE LINKS 3RS

At Amble Links, one of our key aims is for our children to become Responsible, Respectful and Resilient young people. We know that, if they consistently demonstrate these, that they will have a good start towards becoming good citizens. We promote these through our 3 Rs Robots which are on display in the hall and in classrooms and reinforce these through regular assemblies. More details about the 3Rs Robots can be found on the [SCHOOL WEBSITE](http://www.schoollinks.co.uk).



For the age of our children, we keep things very simple and give them some examples of how they can demonstrate these. We ask that parents also encourage the children to demonstrate their 3 Rs wherever possible. Some key examples we use are asking the children to take responsibility for carrying their own bags to and from school and bringing what they need to school each day. We ask them to show respect by appreciating that everyone is different and using good manners. We ask them to be resilient by trying to do things for themselves and not giving

KEY STAFF IN SCHOOL

A reminder for parents that the Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) in school are Mr Heeley and Mrs Cuthbertson. Please do not hesitate to contact one of them should you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child.

Our Special Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) is Mrs Smith. Should you have any concerns about how your child is doing at school, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance to arrange to discuss this further.

IN TO WIN DRAW WINNERS

Earlier this week we entered all of the children with 100% attendance and no more than 1 late mark into our 'In To Win' draw for an ice cream treat at Spurrelli. The lucky winners drawn out by the computer were: Lyle Hanley, Scarlet Wilson, Alice Dunn, Henry Stone and Cassie Robertson.

We run this draw every half term so, with good attendance and punctuality, every child has a chance to win each half term.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FOR 2023

There are some slight changes to clubs for this year with the main changes being that KS1 Football will now be on a MONDAY, Gardening Club moving to a Thursday and a new KS2 Netball Club will be starting on Thursdays. Club days are as follows:

Monday - KS1 Football, **Tuesday** - Book club & KS2 Football, **Wednesday** - Conservation Club, **Thursday** - Gardening Club & Netball.

Most of these clubs are already up and running. Please contact the office for more information about joining clubs as some have age limitations.

HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

Although we do not authorise holidays during term time, it is still important that parents complete a form to let us know that children will be absent from school in order for us to add the correct reason for absence to the school register which is a legal document. Letting us know about holidays means that we will be able to save time by not making phonecalls to find out why a child is absent from school or only finding out about holidays when the children return.