# Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS



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# LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 95.5%

Well done Puffins again!		
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 98.0%	
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 97.8%	
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 98.1%	
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 95.0%	
Reception (Turtles)	- 88.4%	
Nursery (Seahorses)	-88.2%	

QU/Z N/GHT Our next PTA Quiz Night is coming up on Friday 30th November. This is always a really

popular night . Places are limited so it is important to get your entry and payment in quickly. An entry form is included on the back of this newsletter.

#### BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

Thanks to everyone who brought in unwanted clothes etc for our Bag2School



collection yesterday. We sent off just under 300kg that will give us a donation of about £120.

#### AMBLE TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

It's the Amble Torchlight Procession and light switch on at **5pm on Sunday 18th November**, starting at the Wellwood. Watch this space for more details but we hope to be able to get more children involved with lantern making this year.

# SCHOOL CAR PARK

We're really pleased that the vast majority of parents are now not bringing vehicles on to the school site which is helping make the car park a much safer place. Parents are also asked to park considerately outside the school gates to ensure that neighbours and emergency services have good access.

# STARS OF THE WEEK Amelia-Rose McNamara-Charlton Annabel Paterson Lacey Lowery Chloe Lavery Jacob Thompson Jana Aljiez

ADDITIONS TO SCHOOL GROUNDS Many parents are asking about the latest additions to our school grounds. After a recent successful bid, we have secured an additional £8000 from the Healthy Pupils Capital Fund that has been allocated by the Department for Education to Northumberland Council funded by the Soft Drinks Industry Levy (Sugar Tax). As part of our plans

to continue developing our school grounds to promote exercise and physical activity we have now had paths installed over the mounds on the field (these have also been seeded), added some activity areas that will be used for games such as giant draughts,

skittles, boules and quoits; and installed 4 disc (Frisbee) golf nets which the children are already enjoying using. We are really lucky to have such a large outdoor space and aim to utilise this as much as possible to get the children to be physically active.

## Y4 ORIENTEERING FESTIVAL

On Wednesday, our Y4 Penguins took part in an orienteering and teambuilding festival at JCSC. They took

part in team problem solving activities, and took part in picture orienteering. Staff again reported that the children were impeccably behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the session.

# SWIMMING-FIRST WEEK BACK

Swimming lessons for next week are for Year 2 on Thursday and Year 4 on Friday. Please ensure children come to school with their swimming kit. We ask for a contribution of £4 per lesson (children have 1hr lessons every other week) or £2 if your child is entitled to Pupil Premium.

# 2018 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 5th November	SCHOOL CLOSED TEACHER TRAINING DAY		
Tuesday 6th November	School Re-opens for Autumn Half Term 2		
Mon 12th—Weds 14th November	Year 4 Residential Visit to Robinwood		
***NEW*** Sunday 18th November	5pm-Amble Torchlight Procession		
Friday 30th November	7pm -PTA QUIZ NIGHT		
Monday 3rd December	3.15pm—Christmas Craft Evening (NO CLUBS)		
Weds 5th December	Y1-Y4 Dovecote Centre Pantomime		
Thursday 6th December	9am—Christingle Assembly		
Thursday 6th December	3.15pm PTA Christmas Fair		
Monday 10th December	9.30am Nursery. Reception, Y1 Christmas Performance		
Monday 10th December	2.00pm Nursery, Reception, Y1 Christmas Performance		
Tuesday 11th December	9.30am Nursery, Reception, Y1 Christmas Performance		
Friday 14th December	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly		
Monday 17th December	2pm—Y2/3/4 Performance		
Tuesday 18th December	9.30am - Y2/3/4 Performance		
Weds 19th December	1.30pm - Nativity Service at St Cuthbert's Church		
Thurs 20th December	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner		
Friday 21st December	Party Day SCHOOL CLOSES 2PM		

### PUMPKIN COMPETITION FAVOURITES

We were again impressed by the quality of entries into this year's Pumpkin Competition. Approximately 110 pumpkins

were entered. All children entering the competition received a small prize. Our favourite entries from each class, chosen by governors were creations by: Neave Stone, Poppy Hall, Alec Douglas, Jay Roper, David Spoors and Cora Cooper.

Thanks to everyone who took part and helped make our hall look so good again this morning.

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