



LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97%

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Nursery (Seahorses)	-96.6%
Reception (Turtles)	- 98.4%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 96.1%
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 97.6%
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 100.0%
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 100.0%

Well Done Sharks and Penguins!

STARS OF THE WEEK

**Joanie Dryden
Brooke Wojcikiewicz
Robyn Common
Lilly Taylor
Alex Bremner
Kaidan Ramsay
Jacob Thompson**

2019 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 7th October	Y1 to Amble Library—storytelling session
NEW	Y4 Orienteering at Pegswood Primary School
Thursday 10th October	
NEW	2.30pm -Parents' Session—preventing winter illnesses
Tuesday 15th October	
Wednesday 16th October	Y2 trip to Alnwick Castle
Thursday 17th October	9am- Harvest Assembly
NEW	4pm and 5.15pm PTA Halloween Discos
Tuesday 22nd October	
Thursday 24th October	Deadline day for entries to Pumpkin Competition
Friday 25th October	Parents to classroom to look at books
NEW	Non uniform day in aid of EdUKaid
Friday 25th October	
Friday 25th October	3.15pm—School Closes for Half Term
Tuesday 5th November	School reopens for Autumn Half Term 2
Mon 11th—Weds 13th November	Y4 Robinwood Residential

FREE PARENTS' SESSION—HELPING TO PREVENT WINTER ILLNESSES

Many of our parents have already met Jane, our school nurse, and found her to be very knowledgeable and helpful in a range of situations. As winter rapidly approaches we have asked her to offer a session for parents to discuss ways that we can prevent children getting winter illnesses which can often spread quickly in a school and lead to low attendance. Parents are invited to come along to this session at **2.30pm on Tuesday 15th October**. Parents have been very positive about previous sessions that Jane has run and we hope that we can get an increased uptake for this one. There's no need to book in—just come to the school office on the day!

READING BOOKMARKS—COMING SOON

Over the next couple of weeks we will be sending each child home with a bookmark in their home reading book. This bookmark will have a few questions on it that can act as prompts for parents when listening to your children read—the kind of questions that adults in school may ask them about their books. It's really helpful to us when parents write in reading records how they feel children have read and any difficulties they encountered. We check reading records daily in order to ensure children achieve the relevant rewards for reading at home with an adult.

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY PHOTOS

We've had individual and family group photographs this week. In order to benefit from free delivery of your orders to school please ensure that orders (including payments) are returned to school by the end of the school day on Wednesday 9th October

HARVEST ASSEMBLY AND FOOD BANK

Reverend John is coming to join us for our Harvest Assembly on Thursday 17th October. At 9am—parents are invited to join us for this. We will again be collecting donations for the Amble Food Bank. We have included a list of the kind of items that are particularly useful for the Food Bank to the reverse of this letter. Hopefully we'll be able to send another large donation to them again this year!

PTA HALLOWEEN DISCOS

Our next PTA events are the Halloween Discos to be held on Tuesday 22nd October. These are to be held from 4pm to 5pm for children in Nursery, Reception and Y1 followed by 5.15pm-6.15pm for children in Y2-Y4. **There will be no Lego Club. Book Club or KS1 Football Club on this evening.** Look out for posters around school for more details.

TEDDY TOMBOLA DONATIONS

Our PTA are starting to make some big plans for a Christmas Market style Christmas Fair on Monday 2nd December this year. One stall we're hoping to run is a 'Teddy Tombola' that will give children a chance to win soft toys. We'd really like donations of any unwanted soft toys for this stall and thought that if we started collecting early we could make this a giant tombola. Please bring any donations in to the school office. Our PTA have been pleased to welcome some new members recently but welcome anyone willing to help out.

WORD OF THE WEEK CHALLENGE

Our favourite words chosen this week are: Y1—co-operation (Billy L), Y2—amble (Issy D) Y3—suspicious (Imogen B), Y4—promptly (Liam B).

We ask the children to find a new word every week and learn it's meaning—they're really enjoying doing this and are showing an increased interest in vocabulary.

SWIMMING—NEXT WEEK

Swimming lessons next week are for **Year 1 on Thursday and Year 3 on Friday**. Please ensure children come to school with their swimming kit and contribution.

PUNCTUALITY CHALLENGE

So far this half term we have counted **21 LATES**. Our target this half term is **LESS THAN 40 LATES**. **If we achieve this the children earn a treat this half term.**