



STARS OF THE WEEK

William McPeake
Poppy Bould
Amelia Hewitson
Bexley Mather
Lucas Melvin
Niall Baxter
Will Blackburn

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK : 92.6%

Little Pebbles	-80.0%
Nursery (Seahorses)	-79.4%
Reception (Turtles)	-91.1%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	-86.5%
Year 2 (Puffins)	-94.8%
Year 3 (Sharks)	-97.0%
Year 4 (Penguins)	-93.8%

Well Done Sharks!

2023 SCHOOL DIARY

Thursday 30th March	Y2 Gymnastics Festival—Ashington
Friday 31st March	PTA Chocolate Raffle
Friday 31st March	2pm—SCHOOL CLOSING FOR EASTER BREAK
Monday 17th April	School Reopens for Summer Term
Thursday 27th April	Bag2School Collection
Monday 1st May	SCHOOL CLOSED MAY BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 2nd May	Year 4 visit to Alnwick/Warkworth (Art Project)
Monday 8th May	SCHOOL CLOSED CORONATION BANK HOLIDAY
NEW Friday 19th May	Parents invited to classrooms to see books after assembly
Friday 26th May	3.10pm School Closes for Half Term

EASTER RAFFLE

PLEASE HELP—WE NEED MORE EGGS!!

Thanks to everyone who has already brought in a donation for our Easter Chocolate Raffle that will be held on Friday 31st March. The collection of chocolate is beginning to mount up nicely for what is always a great event. Children bringing in a donation will get a small treat at the office. Tickets for the Raffle are already on sale and can be bought from Mrs Dellbridge at £1 per strip



SWIMMING UPDATE

Having recently reviewed our curriculum timetabling and budget, governors have made the decision this week that we will not now be starting swimming lessons for children in Reception after Easter as we have in previous years. Children at Amble Links will now begin their swimming lessons in Year 1. It is also likely that children in other year groups will not swim every single half term of the year from September. Due to our location, we are still committed to providing many more swimming lessons than most first/primary schools currently provide and that all of our children will be able to swim 25m by the time they leave Year 6. This has not been an easy decision, but we feel it is necessary at this time.

YEAR 4 SKIPPING FESTIVAL

This week our Year 4 children enjoyed joining in with other schools from the local area to take part in a Skipping Festival at Ashington Leisure Centre. They practised skipping techniques and worked with partners and in groups to skip in a variety of different ways. Take a look at the photos on our Facebook Page to see some of the children's cool moves.

EXPERIENCE EASTER

This week, our Y3 and Y4 children visited St Cuthbert's Church for 'Experience Easter'. The children visited a range of storytellers who told them the Easter story using interactive activities. They collected stickers to create their own storyboard. The children particularly enjoyed making characters for the Easter Garden.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Thanks to all of the parents who attended this week's parents' evenings. We had very few 'no-shows' and were pleased to be able to speak with parents of 90% of our children. We hope that parents found these meetings useful and informative and will help you understand how children can be supported with their learning at home.

Y4 WORK WITH AN ARTIST

We're really excited that our Y4 children have been invited to work with ex-pupil and local artist, Katherine Renton, during the summer term. As part of a project funded by the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) the children will be taking part in a number of visits to castles, beaches and islands as part of this work. Katherine has recently featured in The Journal and on the [Cultured NorthEast website](http://CulturedNorthEast.com) where you can find out more about her work and the project the children will be involved in.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Our School Library is closing for the Easter break. Could children please return ALL books that they have next week please. We are aware of a number of children who now have a number of books and have not returned any for some time. Please have a search around home for any school library books as there may be other children wishing to borrow these missing books.



MILK ORDERS

Summer term milk money is now due. This will cover April until the Summer holidays. The cost of the milk will be £13.50. An email has been sent out this week with a link to a short form to order your child's milk. Children still under 5 on 21st July 2023 and those entitled to Pupil Premium can have free milk but must also complete the form. We notice that a lot of children do not drink their milk on a regular basis. To avoid waste could you please check that your child definitely wants milk every day before you order.