



STARS OF THE WEEK

Remi Schofield
Oakley Patterson
Oscar Stone
Alfie Purvis
Mason Morrison
Oliver Wright
Bobby Johnson

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK : 93.0%

Little Pebbles -95.0%
 Nursery (Seahorses) -87.5%
 Reception (Turtles) - 92.9%
 Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 90.8%
 Year 2 (Puffins) - 91.4%
 Year 3 (Sharks) - 94.5%
 Year 4 (Penguins) - 95.6%

Well Done Penguins!

2023 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 20th March	Year 4 Skipping Festival - Ashington
Tues 21st & Weds 22nd March	PARENTS' EVENINGS
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
NEW Thursday 27th April	Bag2School Collection
NEW Monday 1st May	SCHOOL CLOSED MAY BANK HOLIDAY
NEW Tuesday 2nd May	Year 4 visit to Alnwick/Warkworth (Art Project)
NEW Monday 8th May	SCHOOL CLOSED CORONATION BANK HOLIDAY
NEW Friday 26th May	3.10pm School Closes for Half Term

EASTER RAFFLE

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



DOODLEMATHS 100 STAR CHALLENGE

Over the 2 days of teachers' strikes this week we asked the children to try to earn a total of 100 Doodlemaths stars over the 2 days of 15th and 16th March. We're pleased to announce that 40 children earned 100 stars or more. The class earning the most stars (12) is the Penguins. We have ordered some treats for the children who achieved this and hope that we will be able to give them out next week. Well done all!

READING VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We are hoping to build up a small group of parent/grandparent volunteers who would be able to come into school on a regular basis to read with children. We know that practising reading at home and talking about books with an adult on a regular basis can have a huge impact on how well children do in school. Although many of our children do get the opportunity to read at home on a regular basis, we also have many that don't and want to put more in place to help them. We would be looking for people who are able to give up just a few hours each week and be able to do this on a regular basis. We would provide training and ongoing support for our volunteers and, in return, you would be rewarded with seeing the improvements in the children you read with. We would require any volunteers to complete a DBS check before working in school. Please contact the school office if this is something that you might be interested in helping with.



PARENTS EVENINGS

We have nearly 100% of parents booked up for next week's Parents' Evenings. It is our aim to see parents of ALL children in order to discuss how they are doing at school and how you can help them do even better. If you have not yet booked an appointment please contact the school office as soon as possible.

A BUSY TIME FOR ASSESSMENTS

It isn't long now until our children take a number of different assessments. Year 1 children will take a phonics assessment in June, Y2 children take their SATS in May and Year 4 complete their Multiplication Tables Check in June. All children in school are also assessed by teachers as the year comes to an end. It is vital the children do not miss these tests and we urge parents not to book holidays during these extremely critical months of the school year.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

The term of office for Andrea Todd, one of our parent governors, is soon due to come to an end and we are looking to recruit a parent who might be willing to take on the role. The role of a parent governor is to represent the views and interests of parents in the school's decision-making processes. Parent governors are responsible for providing a link between the school and its community of parents. They work in collaboration with other members of the governing body to ensure that the school provides the best possible education for its pupils although are not involved in the day to day operational running of the school. Any new governor would be required to take part in a number of initial training sessions and complete a DBS check. Although many of our governors visit school much more regularly, there would be an expectation to attend half termly meetings and be involved in some monitoring visits that are very flexible throughout the year. Please get in touch with Mr Heeley before Friday 24th March if this is a role that you might be interested in finding out more about.