Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

FIRST SCHOOL

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STARS OF THE WEEK Mia Fairhurst Florence Roper Eva Mather Alice Willis Frankie Richardson Lilly Taylor

Donovan Hall

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 96.3%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -93.7%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 98.1%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 96.9%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 100.0%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 96.9%

 Year 4 (Penquins)
 - 91.3%

Well Done Puffins!

2022 SCHOOL DIARY	
Tuesday 19th July	3.45pm Y4 LEAVERS AWARDS
Wednesday 20th July	Picnic and Pea Hunt
Friday 22nd July	2PM SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY
NEW Tuesday 6th September	School Reopens for all children currently in Nursery to Y3
NEW Wednesday 7th September	1.30pm Visits for new nursery pupils
NEW Thursday 8th September	New nursery pupils start

The Return of the Great Amble Links Picnic and Pea Hunt!

Our Family Picnic and Pea Hunt will be taking place on Wednesday 20th July. Due to an unusual surge in demand for dried peas in local shops in years gone by we are not yet certain what kind of 'P' families will be searching for!

The picnic will take place in the picnic area/quiet garden at 12.30pm. Families are welcome to come along and join us at that time but must enter through the Early Years gate—all other gates will be locked. Please feel free to bring along your picnic hampers, blankets and anything else to make your picnic extra special! We will bring the children outside to join you at 12.30pm. The Pea Hunt will begin at about 1.00pm and end at about 1.45pm. Morning Nursery will be running as usual and the children will have a picnic style lunch at 11.20am.

THERE WILL BE NO AFTERNOON NURSERY SESSION ALTHOUGH PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO BRING THE CHILDREN ALONG TO THE PICNIC AND PEA HUNT. All nursery children should be collected at 11.45am.

After the Pea Hunt children will need to return to their classrooms from where they can be collected by parents soon afterwards. Please be patient at collection time as we have lots of children to safely pair up with adults.

If the weather is poor we may need to call off the picnic part of the afternoon as we will not be able to safely accommodate parents indoors. We may also need to cancel the Pea Hunt completely if necessary.

WE WILL POST ANY CHANGES ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND BY EMAIL TO PARENTS- PLEASE DO NOT RING SCHOOL TO CONFIRM IF THE EVENT IS ON OR NOT.

BUILDING SITE VISIT

We were pleased to be able tot take the 5 winners of the safety poster competition to the Longstone Manor building site on Acklington Road this week. As well as a quick tour of the site the children were also able to see their posters on display for site workers and visitors.

NURSERY BEACH VISIT

Some of our Seahorses have enjoyed a trip to the beach this week where they thoroughly enjoyed building sandcastles and having a picnic. Thanks to the kind volunteers who came along to help out. The other half of the children will be going next week.

Y2 CENTRE FOR LIFE VISIT

Our Year 2 Puffins Class enjoyed their visit to the Centre for Life in Newcastle on Wednesday. They explored the wonderful world of science and even became scientists themselves using their senses to explore different materials. They had great fun building large structures and even had a chance to drink out of a toilet water fountain! Take a look at the photos of the visit on our Facebook page—the look of concentration on the children's faces is impressive!

SCHOOL CLOSES AT 2PM NEXT FRIDAY. ALL CHILDREN (INCLUDING Y4) MUST BE COLLECTED BY AN ADULT

SUCCESSFUL SPORTS DAYS We were over the moon to be able to welcome parents

back to school for Sports Days this week after a 3 year gap—for nearly half of our children this was their first one! The large numbers of spectators were blessed with excellent weather for the main school and nursery sports days, both of which ran very smoothly indeed. All of the children took part, showing excellent attitudes and sportsmanship. At our main sports day, as well as stickers for doing well in races we also awarded some special awards the following day for children who showed good examples of our 3Rs of being Respectful, Resilient and Responsible whilst all of our nursery children received medals for their efforts. Although we have changed the format of Sports Days slightly, feedback from parents about both has been very positive indeed and we'd like to thank you for helping us keep the children safe by staying within designated areas and allowing us to deal with issues.

SWIMMING AWARDS

Today we welcomed Pat Rennison to our Friday assembly to present the swimming award and the Special Trophy in memory of her late husband Brian who was Deputy Headteacher at Amble Links many years ago. The trophy this year was presented to Jacob Whenray for the huge improvement that he has shown in water confidence over the years he has been with us.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ONLY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON NEXT WEEK WILL BE OUR DAILY CLUB THAT WILL RUN FROM MONDAY UNTIL THURSDAY. BREAKFAST CLUB WILL CONTINUE TO RUN UNTIL THE END OF TERM

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