



STARS OF THE WEEK

Amelia Lamb
Paisley Russell
Rosie Gair
Lyla Lowery
Georgia Crisp
Billy Langmaid
Jacob Whenray

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK: 97.4%

Nursery (Seahorses)	- 96.8%
Reception (Turtles)	- 100.0%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 97.2%
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 95.0%
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 96.0%
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 98.7%

Well Done Turtles!

2022 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 14th March	Turtles Visit to the Library
Monday 21st March	Y2 & Y4 Visit to Church for Easter Experience
Monday 28th March	Y3 Visit to Church for Easter Experience
Tuesday 29th March	PARENTS EVENINGS
Wednesday 30th March	PARENTS EVENINGS
Friday 8th April	2pm—School Closes for Easter Break
Monday 25th April	School reopens for Summer Term
Friday 1st July	SCHOOL CLOSED in lieu of additional Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday

RAISING MONEY FOR UKRAINE

In our Tuesday assembly the children learnt about the terrible situation going on in Ukraine. We talked about the possible cause of Russia's invasion and made links to what they have already learnt about democracy and freedom of speech. We also talked about how the other countries of Europe and NATO work together to solve problems by talking but will also help each other to protect themselves if need be. The children are really interested in what is going on in Ukraine but also have lots of questions and worries about how it may affect them. Please take the time to talk with your child(ren) about the situation. There are a number of websites that give guidance on how to talk with children about what is going on that might be useful. These include: [Youngminds](#), [UNICEF](#) and [Save the Children](#). The children were really keen to help raise money to support the huge numbers of people who have left their homes to find safety and shelter so we made the decision to organise something very quick and simple to do this. Today, the children have come to school wearing clothes of a blue and yellow theme as well as asking friends and family to help fill small bags with money. Mrs Caven-Gomez made a Ukrainian flag themed cake which we raffled, using the returned money bags as tickets. The winner of the cake raffle was: Paige Crisp. We have also received other donations and will run a raffle during next week to continue to raise money for those that need it most in Ukraine. Prizes we already have include a blue and yellow themed bouquet of flowers donated by Moira Angus and a bottle of Prosecco.



So far we have raised £1326, but hope to add to this next week. Thank you so much for your generosity and support. We will update you next week on the total amount raised before sending the money off to the [Disasters Emergency Committee's Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal](#). Thanks to everyone in the school and the local community who have supported our fundraising effort.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

We had another very good week of attendance last week, achieving our 3rd star for our hall board by getting over 96% attendance. We are also seeing far fewer children arriving late for school. Our Year 2 Puffins class remain in the lead for being the most punctual class in school but other classes are starting to catch them up. Our Year 3 Sharks currently have most trophies for best attendance each week but the competition is close for a special treat at the end of the school year! Please help us to keep attendance and punctuality good—it makes a huge difference to each child's learning when they are at school on time and have good attendance!

COVID UPDATE

We continue to have a small number of Covid-19 cases in school amongst staff and pupils. It is important that, if anyone has Covid-19 symptoms, they get tested and self-isolate. Government guidance states that self-isolation can end after 2 negative tests, 24 hours apart from day 5 of isolation (Day 0 being the day of the positive test or symptoms starting). Although there is no legal requirement to self-isolate it is important that the guidance is still followed to protect everyone else as best as possible. Please let us know as soon as possible if your child has Covid-19. In school, we continue to have windows open to ensure good air flow/ventilation and ensure that the children are handwashing/sanitising regularly. We are still keeping the number of visitors in school to a minimum to also help prevent spread.



PROMOTING GOOD ORAL HYGIENE

Good oral hygiene plays an important part in ensuring the healthy development of a child and will support children to have healthy teeth and gums as they grow up. There are 5 key messages that the Northumberland Early Years team offer to support this:

1. Brush children's teeth for at least 2 minutes with a pea sized amount of toothpaste twice a day (including last thing at night)
2. Take children to attend regular dentist check ups
3. Encourage the use of an open cup by the age of 12 months
4. Drink milk and water and cut out sugary drinks altogether
5. Reduce the frequency of sugar to 3 meals and 1 snack per day and avoid completely 1 hour before bed.