## Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

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# STARS OF THE WEEK Bay Mavin William McPeake Delilah Dryden Bexley Mather Olivia Million

Archie Wilson

Lilly Taylor

#### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 92.6%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -80.0%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 93.2%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 92.5%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 94.5%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 89.1%

 Year 4 (Penguins)
 - 92.6%

Well Done Puffins!

#### OUR VERY BUSY CHOIR

It's been a busy week for our choir who have done a superb job this year under Mrs Smith's direction. On Sunday they sang at the Harbour Village and yesterday they sang for the residents of St Oswald's Court. On each occasion they have represented the school they have done us proud. They certainly deserve the

treats they've been rewarded with!

#### CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

This week it's been the turn of our Y2, Y3 and Y4 children to perform. After a dress rehearsal on Monday morning the children performed 3 shows for parents. Yet again, the singing, acting and speaking was of a very high standard. It amazes us every year that the children and staff are able to turn out such good shows with very little time to practice. Well done to everybody involved!

#### CHURCH NATIVITY

On Wednesday we managed to fill out St Cuthbert's Church with children and parents for our nativity service. Yet again, the choir did a great job as did our Year 4 readers who stood high up in the pulpit in front of so many people and completed their readings with confidence.

#### GOODBYE MISS LIGHTLEY-HELLO MRS CUTHBERTSON

Today is the last day the children will see Miss Lightley. In less than a week's time Miss Lightley will become Mrs Cuthbertson as she gets married on Thursday. We hope that she has a fabulous day. We will apologise in advance for calling her the wrong name for many weeks to come as she returns in January. We will gradually change her name on school paperwork, the website and signs around school but this could take some time. Please be patient Mrs Cuthbertson!



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Thanks to everybody who contributed towards our Chirstmas gift to Mgao Pre-Primary School in Tanzania through our Christmas jumper day.

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#### PTA GIFTS

Thanks to our PTA who bought a lovely book for every child in the school as a Christmas present.

Thanks also to the group of parents who went to so much effort to wrap all of them-it was a huge help!

2023 SCHOOL DIARY	
Tuesday 10th January	SCHOOL REOPENS FOR SPRING TERM
***NEW*** Tuesday 31st January	9am—Year 1 to Multiskills Festival -Ashington
***NEW*** Friday 10th February	Parents invited back to classrooms after assembly
***NEW*** Friday 17th February	'Tanzania Day' - in aid of EdUKaid
***NEW*** Friday 17th February	3.10pm—School Closes for Spring Half Term Break
***NEW*** Tuesday 28th February	School reopens for Spring Half Term 2

### THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING STAFF

Christmas is a very busy time in school. This year has been particularly challenging as we finish the term the day before Christmas Eve after a very long 8 week half term. Although everyone is tired and looking forward to the Christmas break they have continued to work extremely hard to make the weeks leading up to Christmas as special as possible for the children whilst ensuring that they don't carried away with the excitement and continue their learning amongst all of the fun activities. We are very lucky to have such a dedicated team whose number one priority is, and always will be, the children.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR STAFF TEAM AND ENJOY YOUR WELL-DESERVED HOLIDAYS

#### THE FAMOUS AMBLE LINKS ELVES

After their arrival at the start of December, the elves have caused nothing but chaos around school and made Mr Heeley's life a misery to say the least. That said, they have also created much magic for the children and it has been a joy to see their faces as they have arrived in school each day full of anticipation as to what the elves might do next. Word of our elves has spread far and wide and they have gained themselves a huge following. We would like to thank parents for helping keep the magic going and joining in when needed. Our elf story could not have taken place without many members of the local community taking part. We've already thanked them individually but would also like to thank them collectively. A lot of people have had a lot of fun creating such fun for our children!

#### AND FINALLY.....

Everyone at Amble Links would like to wish you all a happy Christmas and New Year.

Thank you so much for all of the cards and gifts that have been sent in for us.

HAVE A GOOD ONE!

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