# Amble Links First School

# LINKS NEWS

FIRST SCHOOL

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## LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 97.7%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -96.0%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 97.3%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 99.1%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 94.3%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 98.2%

 Year 4 (Penguins)
 - 99.1%

Well done Jellyfish and Penguins

## LITTLE PEBBLES FUTURE PLACES

Our Little Pebbles 2 Year Old Provision is fully up and running now and is proving to be very popular, with all places taken for the Autumn Term. Parents hoping for their children to join Little Pebbles in the future should call into the school office as soon as possible to collect an application form. We have a set of criteria for oversubscription but applications received after deadline dates are likely to not get places at the correct time for their child.

#### SCHOOL ALLOTMENT

A big thank you to everyone who has offered any kind of support with our school allotment. We look forward to seeing it really flourish this year!

#### VISTING MUSICIAN

We were pleased to welcome local musician, Brian English, to school on Thursday. Brian helped teach the children the chorus for his well known song about Amble before performing a couple songs from Oasis and Elvis. A group of children stayed after assembly to sing again with Brian - the video of this has been viewed on Facebook over 2,000 times already! We look forward to welcoming him again soon.

## STARS OF THE

### **WEEK**

Toby Fard
Rogan Barclay
Mason McKay
Imogen Biggs
Corey Freestone
Lincoln Dellbridge

#### SCHOOL CLUBS

We're really pleased to be oble to offer a range of free after school clubs to the children including: dance, gardening, football, multiskills, karate and conservation. As the children move up through the school the range of clubs available to them increases as they develop the necessary stamina and independence to take part, ensuring that the club is sustainable and manageable for staff leading it. All children who have wanted to join clubs have been offered a place in at least one club. This has been a

huge undertaking for Mrs
Goodfellow who has organised the
club places. Parents are asked to
ensure that all children's clothing
items and shoes are named as this
makes things much easier for staff
getting children ready to go home
after sessions.

# Operation Encompass

Supporting children and young people exposed to domestic abuse

Please see the letter on the reverse of this newsletter that explains our ongoing involvement in this initiative.

#### SWIMMING-NEXT WEEK

Swimming lessons for next week are for Year 2 on Thursday and Year 4 on Friday. Please ensure children come to school with their swimming kit. We ask for a contribution of £4 per lesson (children have 1hr lessons every other week) or £2 if your child is entitled to Pupil Premium.

### 2018 SCHOOL DIARY

Tuesday 18th September	3.30pm Reception (Turtles) Meeting for parents
Friday 28th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning (after assembly)
Tuesday 2nd October	Individual and Family school photographs
Weds 10th October	Year 2 visit to Alnwick Castle
Thursday 18th October	9am—Harvest Assembly
Tues 23rd & Weds 24th October	3.30 -6.00pm Parents' Evenings
Friday 26th October	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly
Friday 26th October	Scarecrow Competition
Friday 26th October	3.15pm - School closes for half term break

#### Class Newsletters

Online class newsletters for this half term have been uploaded to the school website this week. These provide a range of information, website links and videos that will help support your child with their learning.

These can be accessed at https://goo.gl/oCJKhE

#### LOCAL PARKING CONCERNS

We have received a call this week from an elderly local resident who was a little upset at continually not being able to get on and off his drive at the start and end of the school day. Parents are asked to park considerately and responsibly outside school as we hope to keep good relationships with our neighbours. These problems are particularly noticeable on Links Avenue, Davis Drive and Burton Road. Although school has no jurisdiction in policing the situation it is possible that council enforcement vehicles will be used in the area.

#### IMPORTANT! ADMISSIONS PORTAL FOR Y4

The online admissions portal for children moving to Middle School in September is now open. Parents of Y4 children MUST use this to apply for Middle School places as these are not automatically allocated. Y4 parents should also have received a letter this week about an upcoming open evening at JCSC which gives a good chance to see the school.

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