



STARS OF THE WEEK

Amelia Lamb
Eden Dodds
Zayne Roper
Annabelle Stephenson
Kacey Crook
Frankie Richardson
Ava Purvis

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK : 93.0%

Nursery (Seahorses) -96.2%
Reception (Turtles) - 92.9%
Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 85.6%
Year 2 (Puffins) - 94.8%
Year 3 (Sharks) - 94.3%
Year 4 (Penguins) - 96.8%

Well Done
Penguins!

2023 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 13th February	3.20pm—Robinwood meeting for Y3 Parents
Tuesday 14th February	Valentines Discos Nursery-Y1 3.45-4.45 Y2-Y4: 5.00pm-6.00pm
Friday 17th February	Tanzania Day Coffee Morning after assembly in aid of EdUKaid
Friday 17th February	3.10pm School closes for half term break
Tuesday 28th February	TEACHERS STRIKE DATE LITTLE PEBBLES OPEN
Wednesday 1st March	School fully reopens for Spring Half Term 2
NEW Friday 3rd March	WORLD BOOK DAY
Wednesday 15th March & Thursday 16th March	TEACHERS STRIKE DATES (TBC)
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	2pm—SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER BREAK

TANZANIA DAY—NEXT FRIDAY

Thanks to everyone who has already offered to donate cakes—this is very much appreciated!

Next week we will welcome our visitor from EdUKaid to school to tell us about their good work in Tanzania. We hope to be able to raise at least £400 to be able to pay for a teacher for 6 months for the pre Primary children at Mgao Primary school. Following our assembly parents will be invited to bring children back into the hall for a coffee and cake to help us raise money for this great cause. On the day the children are invited to dress in colours of the Tanzanian flag for the day in return for a £1 donation. They have already been learning more about Tanzania and about the school that we support as well as making flags to decorate the hall.



WORLD BOOK DAY- FRIDAY 3rd MARCH

We'll be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 3rd March which is the first week back after the half term break. We're trying to keep this as simple as possible so will be asking the children to come to school dressed up as one of their favourite book characters—something we know they love doing! We'll also be running a BOOK SWAP SHOP; this will involve each child bringing a book from home that they would like to swap for a book that another child has brought. Each child would only need to bring ONE book in and will then come home with another one that they have swapped with a friend. We look forward to seeing some great costumes as usual.



BIKE & SCOOTER SAFETY

Children are welcome to come to school on bikes and scooters and leave these in our bike shelters during the day. **WE ASK THAT PARENTS SUPPORT US BY ENSURING THAT CHILDREN WALK WITH BIKES AND SCOOTERS WHILST IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS.** There are often small children with parents on our paths who could be hurt by children riding bikes and scooters but these would even hurt adults in a collision.



IMPORTANT—TEACHERS STRIKE DATES

Parents should note that it is highly likely that **SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL CLASSES EXCEPT LITTLE PEBBLES ON TUESDAY 28th FEBRUARY** due to the second of a series of strikes by teachers.

Closing classes is never an easy decision for teachers or governors to make but it is felt that this is the most appropriate action for us to take in the circumstances.

As with such action, there is always the possibility of last minute changes but this is the most up to date information we have. We will contact parents by email should there be any changes.

VALENTINES DISCOS—14th February

Our PTA are pleased to announce that they will be holding Valentine's discos on Tuesday 14th February. These discos will be at 3.45pm-4.45pm for children in Little Pebbles to Y1 (Parents must stay with children) then 5pm-6pm for children in Y2-Y4. Entry is £3 per child (paid on the night) and this includes juice and a hotdog. We hope that as many children as possible will be able to come along to what will be our first whole school disco in a few years! Sweets, drinks, tattoos and other 'flashy things' will also be on sale.



VALENTINES RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who donated or bought tickets for our Valentines Raffle. The winner of the main prize, a Sunday lunch for 4 at the Market Tavern in Alnwick, or the Harbour Inn, Amble was 'The Baxters'. The £20 voucher for The Hermitage in Warkworth was Mrs Graham. Winners of other prizes were: Paisley Russell, Steph Hewitson, and Parker Hall. The winner of the final prize was from a ticket bought this morning (Pink 615) is still unclaimed.

The raffle raised £220—THANK YOU!