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WORLD BOOK DAY

Today we've celebrated World Book Day. Staff and pupils have come to school in a wide range of amazing costumes linked to some of their favourite books. The children have enjoyed taking part in a range of book related activities and have also been given a £1 book voucher that can be redeemed in a number of shops including Asda, Lidl, Tesco, Sainsburys and WHSmith for a special World Book Day book.

IN TO WIN WINNERS

On Monday we drew the lucky winners of the Spring 1 'In To Win' draw. All children in Reception to Y5 who achieved 100% attendance and no more than 1 late mark had a chance to win. The lucky draw winners are: Minnie Henderson, Marcel Stephenson, Rory Willis, Emmie Rowell, Alice Willis and Lola Robertson. They will soon enjoy an ice cream treat at Spurreli. All children who were in the draw will also enjoy an ice lolly in the hall with their friends shortly. We will continue to run this draw every half term.

Keeping Children Safe Washing Pods and Capsules

Young children are vulnerable to all sorts of dangers in the home. One of the most present issues can come in the form of every day cleaning products. Some like sink unclogger can look like fruit juice. The thick consistency and similarity to apple juice in colour make it particularly enticing. However, one threat stands out from all others in this regard. The washing pod. Many washing pods bear a striking similarity to over the counter confectionary. For children the mistake can be easy to make, especially when washing pods may be kept in a lower location than other cleaning supplies. The Child Accident Prevention Trust has recently published a page that looks to offer guidance on this issue. If interested, please click HERE to find out more.

YEAR 5 TTRS LOGIN

There is a new login address for our Y5 children who are currently using Touch, Type, Read, Spell (TTRS) This is now: <u>eu.ttrsonline.com</u>. STARS OF THE WEEK Bobby Goward Delilah Barclay Bailey-Rae Sykes Remi Schofield Alfie Murray Billie-Jo Simpson Mason Morrison Olly Nelson

IMPORTANT! AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

On a number of occasions recently we have experienced issues with children (especially those in Y4 or Y5 who usually walk home themselves) telling us that they are to go home when they should be at clubs. There have also been occasions when

parents have told children that certain clubs are not on when they

have been. Our first priority is always to ensure that children are safe. Moving forward, and to avoid any confusion, our default position will be that children who are on our lists for after school clubs will be taken along to that club unless an email or telephone call has been received at the SCHOOL OFFICE. When particular clubs are not on we will inform relevant parents by email or phone and will also add this to the weekly newsletter if we know in

advance. We would much prefer to know that children are kept safely with us if there is any uncertainty and ask that parents respect this system.

HALF TERMLY REPORTS

Earlier this week we sent out our usual half termly reports to parents of children in Years 1 to 5. We can see that the majority of parents have already downloaded their reports. There will be more detailed assessment information on the next set of reports that you will receive at the end of this term including the children's latest test results and teacher assessments.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Our School Target is 97%

OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y5): 94.5%

	Last Week	This Year to date	Lates this week
YN (Starfish)	98.6%	93.3%	1
YR (Lobsters)	92.3%	92.5%	1
Y1 (Jellyfish)	90.3%	94.7%	0
Y2 (Puffins)	94.8%	95.4%	2
Y3 (Seals)	100.0%	97.1%	0
Y4 (Terns)	96.6%	95.7%	4
Y5 (Herons)	92.9%	96.3%	4

2025 SCHOOL DIARY

Parents' Evenings	
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Non Uniform Day (in return for Easter Raffle Prizes)	
Easter Raffle Draw after assembly	
2pm—School closes for Easter holiday	
School opens for Summer Term	
SCHOOL CLOSED FOR MAY BANK HOLIDAY	

ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2024-25 and 2025-26 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE <u>HERE</u>.

IMPORTANT VISITORS TO SCHOOL

We were very pleased to welcome Secretary of State for Education, The Right Honourable Bridget Phillipson MP to Amble Links along with local MP, David Smith and local councillor, Scott Dickinson. The visit was linked to our school becoming an 'early adopter' of the government's Free Breakfast Club for all children

commitment. As part of that we are going to be able to offer Breakfast Club free of charge from 8am for children in Reception to Y5.

As part of the visit, The Secretary of State joined many of our regular Breakfast Club children for an afternoon



Breakfast Club set up and staffed as it usually is each morning as they enjoyed their usual toast, cereal, fruit and a drink before playing with friends from across the school.

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