



PE DAYS—SOME CHANGES

At the start of this term it has been necessary to make some slight changes to our PE timetable. The changes affect Year 2 and Reception. On PE days, children should come to school in their top half school uniform and bottom half PE kit (trainers/leggings/joggers/shorts). There are still a number of children each week who are not being sent to school in PE kits meaning staff need to spend extra time finding spare clothing and footwear to ensure that the children can take part safely in PE lessons.

Parents should also ensure that children do not come to school on PE days wearing earrings if they are unable to take them out themselves.

Our PE days are now as follows:

Mondays: Y5 and Y2

Tuesdays: Reception and Nursery

Wednesdays: Y3 and Year 4

Fridays: Year 1

PUPIL PROGRESS REPORTS

This week we have sent out Pupil Progress reports by email to all parents of children in Y1-Y5. These reports contain lots of information about how the children are doing in school and how well they are engaging with work at home to support their learning in school. Parents are welcome to contact class teachers if they would like to discuss anything in the report and there are also parents' evenings in the diary for March.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Finley Hayton
Jaxon Drysdale
Amiyah Barclay
Harley Bingham
Zayne Roper
Paige Crisp
Roan Shepherd
Leela Wigham

IN TO WIN DRAW WINNERS

Earlier in the week we held our In to Win Draw for the second half of the autumn term. All children with 100% and no more than 1 late mark were entered into the draw and a winner from each class was selected randomly by the computer. The lucky winners enjoyed an ice cream treat at Sprurreli yesterday. Winners: Reception: Freyja C-W, Y1: Harper C, Y2: Oscar S, Y3: Eva M, Y4: Georgie W, Y5: Hildi W. All children who were in the draw will also receive a small treat for their achievement over the next couple of weeks. Only 43% of the children in Reception to Y5 achieved 100% attendance last half term so we're hoping that this improves through Spring.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

At Amble Links we offer 'Wraparound' Child Care' meaning that we can offer childcare either side of the school day from 7.45am until 6pm on weekdays during term time for children of Reception age and above. All parents in England are eligible to access this Childcare—[MORE DETAILS HERE](#).

USE OF MOBILE PHONES AND WHATSAPP

We're very aware that many of our children have their own mobile phones. Despite the fact that WhatsApp users should be aged 13+ we know that many of our children have access to this platform and use it regularly, especially as members of WhatsApp groups. We teach the children to be aware of some of the risks around the use of social media and encourage them to report content that makes them feel scared, worried or uncomfortable to trusted adults. It is strongly advised that parents carefully check the content that their children are creating and viewing on a very regular basis. Children using these platforms below the recommended age may struggle to deal with content they view in an appropriate way. Please be vigilant. [A WhatsApp 'safety how-to guide for parents and carers' is available on the Internet matters website](#). This provides further useful information for parents.



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Our School Target is 97%

OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y5): 92.8%

	Last Week	This Year to date	Lates this week
YN (Starfish)	80.6%	90.3%	1
YR (Lobsters)	85.5%	90.7%	1
Y1 (Jellyfish)	96.0%	94.7%	1
Y2 (Puffins)	94.1%	95.3%	3
Y3 (Seals)	97.3%	96.7%	0
Y4 (Terns)	93.8%	95.7%	3
Y5 (Heron)	97.5%	97.0%	1

2025 SCHOOL DIARY

NEW Thursday 23rd January	Tiddlywinks session for Nursery and Reception (see Tapestry)
NEW Monday 10th February	3.15-5.15pm Year 1 Movie Night
NEW Tuesday 11th February	3.15-5.15pm Year 2 Movie Night
NEW Wednesday 12th February	3.15-5.15pm Year 3 Movie Night
NEW Thursday 13th February	3.15-5.15pm Years 4 & 5 Movie Night
NEW Friday 21st February	Parents invited to classrooms after assembly
NEW Friday 21st February	3.15pm School closes for half term break
NEW Monday 3rd March	School reopens for Spring 2
NEW Friday 7th March	World Book Day
NEW Mon 24th, Tues 25th, Weds 26th March	SEND Parents Evenings
NEW Mon 31st March & Tues 1 April	Parents' Evenings
NEW Friday 4th April	Non Uniform Day (in return for Easter Raffle Prizes)
NEW Friday 11th April	Easter Raffle Draw after assembly
NEW Friday 11th April	2pm—School closes for Easter holiday
ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2024-25 and 2025-26 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE HERE .	