



STARS OF THE WEEK

Damon Stephenson
Aoife Armstrong
Amiyah Barclay
Bay Mavin
Kaiyra Hutchinson
Bexley Mather
Georgie Whenray
Niall Baxter

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

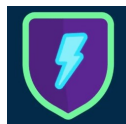
	Last Week	This Year	Lates this week
YN (Starfish)	83.1%	93.1%	0
YR (Lobsters)	89.9%	91.8%	0
Y1 (Jellyfish)	93.1%	94.6%	2
Y2 (Puffins)	97.8%	95.2%	1
Y3 (Seals)	94.0%	96.5%	0
Y4 (Terns)	99.6%	95.9%	0
Y5 (Heron)	95.3%	96.4%	1

2025 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 19th May	Online meeting for KS2 Parents—Sex and Relationships Education
Friday 23rd May	Parents invited to classrooms after assembly
Friday 23rd May	3.15pm—School Closes for May half term break
Monday 2nd June	School Reopens for Summer half term 2
Wednesday 4th June	Year 1 visit to Warkworth Castle (TBC)
Thursday 5th June	Year 3 & 4 to Children's Countryside Day—Wooler
NEW Monday 10th June	Lobsters visit to Spurreli
Tuesday 17th June	Year 5 Sports Festival Ashington
Wednesday 18th June	Y5 Visit to Woodhorn
Thursday 19th June	Year 4 Quadkids Athletics event at Amble Links
Wednesday 25th June	SUMMER FAIR
Monday 30th June	12.30pm Reception—Y5 Sports Day
Monday 14th July	1.30pm—Nursery Sports Day
Tuesday 8th July	Transition Day—children to visit their new classes
Thursday 17th July	12.30pm Picnic and Pea Hunt
Friday 18th July	2pm. SCHOOL CLOSING FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY
ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2024-25 and 2025-26 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE HERE .	

DOODLEMATHS STREAK SAVERS

As you will see from some of our assembly awards for Doodlemaths, many of the children work towards achieving 'streaks' which reflect the number of consecutive days they have Doodled. A streak will drop back to zero if they forget to Doodle for 2 days. Streaks are designed to encourage healthy, regular use of Doodlemaths. For this reason, we will only reinstate streaks in very exceptional circumstances. Doodlemaths does, though, have a feature called 'Streak Saver'. Streak Savers can be earned when a child completes 5 days of Doodling and it is possible to save up to a maximum of 2 Streak Savers. A Streak Saver can be used for a break of between 2 days and 2 weeks. If children know that they are not going to be able to Doodle for a few days, a streak saver can be applied in advance. Streak Savers can also be used if a child has an unexpected break from Doodling and will be given an option to use a Streak Saver (if they have one) when they next log in! Click [HERE](#) to find out how to earn and use Streak Savers.



EARRINGS IN SCHOOL

We continue to experience issues with earrings in school despite numerous requests. For safety reasons, earrings must not be worn for PE or swimming and, if children are unable to remove these themselves, they should come to school with them already removed. Clear silicone retainers are a good option to ensure holes stay open. We will contact parents and ask them to come to school to remove earrings if necessary. Taping of earrings is not now deemed to be a safe option, As per our uniform policy, only small plain stud earrings are acceptable in school at other times. We recommend that any new piercings are made at the start of school holidays. We ask parents to support us with these expectations in order to avoid a blanket ban on earrings that some schools now have in place.

CHILDREN'S CANCER RUN

Good luck to Cora in Y5, who is taking part in the Children's Cancer Run on Sunday to raise money for Children's Cancer. She will also be taking part in the Junior Great North Run in September for the same cause. If you would like to donate click [HERE](#).

BREAKFAST CLUB DROP-OFF TIME

REMINDER TO PARENTS THAT LAST DROP OFF TIME FOR BREAKFAST CLUB IS 8.20AM.

After this time, parents should wait with children at their normal entrance doors.

PUFFIN FESTIVAL

On Wednesday we welcomed Paula and Frances from Dry Water Arts to work with our KS2 children to make some fabulous kites. They are hoping to have a 'Puffin Fly By' on Sunday 25th May at which the children can turn up with their kites and fly them together. There will also be spare puffin kites should they be needed! Drywater Arts will also be creating the rainbow harbour with community banners all the way around the Little Shore and Interactive Music Makers at the Town Square so there is lots going on over the bank holiday weekend for families to get involved with!

ANIMAL ANTICS



Yesterday, the Lobsters welcomed Stef from Animal Antics into school to work with the Lobsters. She brought along some of her creepy crawlies for the children to touch, hold and learn more about. All of the children were really brave and had a go at holding the animals. I think you can tell from their faces that they enjoyed it! See our Facebook page for more great photographs.