# Amble Links Primary School LINKS NEWS

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## GOODBYE TO MRS CUTHBERTSON

Today we have sadly said our goodbyes to Mrs Cuthbertson who will be moving into her first position as Headteacher in Birtley in September. Mrs Cuthbertson has been our deputy headteacher for the last 11 years and has been instrumental in helping get our school into the good position that it is now in. As Reception class teacher for most of her time here, she has taught most of the children in the school at some point. In today's assembly we were able to celebrate her time with us and present her with some lovely gifts from children, parents, governors and staff as we shared some memories of her time with us. Good luck in your new job Mrs Cuthbertson!

#### SUMMER QUESTIONNAIRE

Prior to returning to school in September we will send out a questionnaire that will give parents to tell us about their child's summer and highlight any worries that they may have about returning. This information is valuable for helping the children settle quickly into the new year and putting support in place if needed.

ART EXHIBITION

Our art exhibition earlier in the week was a

huge success. At Monday's VIP preview we

welcomed many guests including a Deputy

Lieutenant, The High Sheriff, County

Councillors, The Mayor of Amble and

representatives from other bodies All of our

guest were highly impressed with the artwork

that had been created as part of the project

led by local artist Katherine Renton and

funded by Northumberland Coast National

Landscape. On Tuesday we had a steady flow

of parents visiting the exhibition throughout

the day and many parents purchased artwork..

Where parents have requested that artwork

is mounted, we will endeavour to get this

arranged as soon as possible. We were also

delighted to unveil the new class logos that

Katherine has designed for us as part of this

project - these seem to have gone down very

well with the children and will soon be on

classroom doors around the school.

A special thank you must go to John Tuff for

his invaluable help in setting up the exhibition

on Monday. Our hall looked fantastic. The

prints donated by Katherine were won by

Kayleigh Dunn and Mrs Rutherford.

### ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y5): 95.4%

	Last Week	This Year	Lates this week
YN (Starfish)	96.0%	94.2%	1
YR (Lobsters)	90.0%	91.3%	0
Y1 (Jellyfish)	95.2%	94.1%	1
Y2 (Puffins)	98.7%	95.5%	0
Y3 (Seals)	96.7%	96.3%	1
Y4 (Terns)	98.3%	96.0%	1
Y5 (Herons)	93.8%	96.5%	1

## 100% Attendance & In to Win Winners

This week we held our In to Win draw for children with 100% attendance this half term (and no more than 1 late mark). The draw winners enjoyed an ice cream treat at Spurreli. The winners were: YR: Millie B, Y1: Poppy B, Y2: Heidi R, Y3: Eliza S, Y4:

Alice W, Y5: Melody F.

We also took 5 children who have brilliantly achieved 100% attendance for the WHOLE YEAR—they are:

Alice D (Y4), Esme S (Y2), Arya L (Y1),

#### PICNIC AND PEA HUNT

Minnie H (YR) and Cobi M (YR)

We were blessed with some warm and sunny weather for yesterday's picnic and pea hunt. As usual, it was extremely well attended. We were pleased to welcome Mr Andriot from JCSC who was keen to know more about this age old Amble Links tradition. Top quality certificates were presented to the winners from each class this morning. Winners of the highly prized Pea Hunt Certificates were: Frankie R, Callan T, Billie-Jo S, Evelyn R, Poppy B, Rowan A, Polly C and Kamila N.

#### THANK YOU!

The staff at Amble Links would like to thank parents and children for all of the lovely gifts and kind words that you have so kindly given to us at the end of this year. These are very much appreciated!

2025 SCHOOL DIARY		
Tues 2nd September	School Reopens to pupils for Autumn term	
***NEW*** Tues 23rd Sept	Individual and family group photos	
Fri 26th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning	
***NEW*** Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th October	Parents' Evenings	
***NEW*** Friday 17th October	Nursery/Reception/KS1 parents to classrooms after assembly	
***NEW*** Friday 24th October	KS2 Parents to classrooms after assembly	
***NEW*** Friday 24th October	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term	

ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2025-26 and 2026-27 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE HERE.

#### PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

We received 65 responses to the Parental Questionnaire that was sent out to all parents. We really value your feedback and have already acted on some suggestions as well as speaking with individual parents to clarify comments and hopefully resolve issues. A summary of responses will be considered by governors. The winner of the £25 Morrisons voucher is: Anya Nwachukwu.

#### HALF TERMLY REPORTS

On Monday, we sent out the final half termly report of the year to parents of children in Years 1 to 5. The final report provides a full picture of the whole 2024-25 academic year including final teacher assessments, test results and engagement levels with homework.

The reports also give details of your child's attendance that include numbers of broken weeks.

#### END OF YEAR MESSAGE

Another year has drawn to close for us here at Amble Links. Despite the sadness of saying goodbye to Mrs Cuthbertson, we should also reflect on what a good year we have had in our first year as a primary school. Our new classrooms were just about ready on time for September with our Y4 and Y5 children making very good use of them this year. Despite the surprise of the Ofsted inspection we were very pleased with the outcomes of 'outstanding' and 'good' gradings. All of this is testament to the hard work and dedication of our staff, governors and volunteers. We are lucky to have such good support from parents and the local community which has all helped make Amble Links Primary School what it is today! THANK YOU!

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