Amble Links Primary School LINKS NEWS

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STARS OF THE WEEK

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ATTENDANCE TARGET

In order to sustain improvements in

overall attendance figures, the

Department for Education has set us

an Attendance Baseline Improvement

Expectation (ABIE). This is a figure

that has been set based on our

school's context. When schools meet

their ABIE it helps sustain

improvements made in the previous

academic year and will hopefully bring

our figures up to pre-pandemic levels.

Our school's attendance last year was

95.5% and our target set of this year

is 95..8%. We're currently at 95.7%.

We hope that parents will support us

with improving attendance by ensuring

that children are in school as often as

possible and avoiding holidays during

term time.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

	Last Week	This Year	Lates this week
YN (Starfish)	100.0%	93.2%	1
YR (Lobsters)	95.7%	95.6%	1
Y1 (Jellyfish)	95.1%	94.8%	2
Y2 (Puffins)	97.8%	95.8%	0
Y3 (Seals)	92.5%	95.3%	2
Y4 (Terns)	95.2%	96.7%	1
Y5 (Herons)	90.1%	96.4%	2
Y6 (Curlews)	98.4%	96.0%	2

OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y6): 93.8% This year: Target: 95.8% Actual: 95.7%

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UPPER KS2 CLASS REPS

This year, we are introducing class reps in Years 5 and 6. Class reps will help share ideas and represent their year group, giving everyone a voice in our school community. They will meet regularly to share ideas, and discuss ways to help make our school an even better place to learn. They'll also bring messages back to their classes so everyone can be involved and heard. Each potential class rep presented their reasons for wishing to become a class rep to their classmates as part of a democratic election process. The children elected are: Georgie W, Brandon G, Hildi W, Georgia, C, Niall B. Barney F

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY THANK YOU! WE RAISED: Nearly £700

SCHOOL DINNERS

Our winter school dinners menu has started this week. We have been trialling the provision of a soup and sandwich option for the children which seems to have gone down well with many. We will monitor how this goes carefully and are happy to take feedback and suggestions from parents as to how we can improve our school dinners. Parents are asked to ensure that they order dinners with their children using the Arbor app to ensure that they are provided with a dinner of their choice. Where a dinner option has not been chosen at home we will default to providing the main meal option for that day. We hope to provide dinners for as many of our children as possible

CLASS DOJO PRIZES

The children in Reception to Y6 continue to collect Class Dojo points at school. These can be awarded for a range of things including good work, kind acts, punctuality etc. You may have noticed that a few KS2 children have been coming to school in non-uniform on some days—this is because they have collected enough Dojo points to do so whereas some children may have redeemed a smaller number of their points on an item form the class Dippy Box. We're always on the lookout for other items that children can earn Dojo points to win and would love to work with any local businesses who may be able to help by providing promotional items or offers to support our rewards system. Please let us know if this is something that you might be able to help with.

2025 SCHOOL DIARY			
Mon 24th -Weds 26th November	Year 4 Residential to Robinwood		
Weds 3rd December	3.15pm Christmas Fair		
Monday 8th December	9.15am OR 2.00pm Early Years/Y1 Performances		
Tuesday 9th December	8.45am Christingle Assembly		
Tuesday 16th December	9.15am OR 2.00pm Y2, Y3. Y4 Performances		
Weds 17th December	1.30pm Church Nativity for Y1-Y6 children		
Thursday 18th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day		
Friday 19th December	2pm School closes for Christmas Holiday		
NEW Tuesday 6th January	Children return to school for Spring Term		
ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2025-26 and 2026-27			

CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE HERE.

CAR PARK SAFETY

With the increasing number of children attending Breakfast Club, we are concerned that more children are arriving at school while the gates are still open and staff are arriving. Parents of our younger children are expected to bring children safely to the school door to ensure they have arrived safely. We ask again that children and parents use the footpaths into school and DO NOT CUT ACROSS THE CAR PARK.

Despite our large yellow signs, we are also noticing that some parents are bringing vehicles onto the car park to drop children off. To reduce the

number of vehicles moving on the car park at these busy times we ask parents to walk children into school.

Vehicle access for staff, visitors and deliveries ONLY

IMPORTANT: RECEPTION PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

The online portal for Reception places opened on 1 November and closes on 15 January 2026. It is important that parents of all current nursery children apply for a place in Reception next year. HAVING A PLACE IN NURSERY NOW DOES NOT GUARANTEE A PLACE IN RECEPTION! Late applications also have less chance of getting a place should we become oversubscribed. Please access the portal HERE to apply for a place.

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