Amble Links Primary School LINKS NEWS

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STARS OF THE **WEEK**

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ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y6): 97.3% This year: Target: 95.8% Actual: 95.7%

	Last Week	This Year	Lates this week
YN (Starfish)	86.6%	92.9%	3
YR (Lobsters)	93.1%	95.7%	0
Y1 (Jellyfish)	100.0%	94.9%	2
Y2 (Puffins)	99.3%	96.0%	2
Y3 (Seals)	95.0%	95.1%	6
Y4 (Terns)	100.0%	96.2%	0
У5 (Herons)	99.7%	96.1%	2
Y6 (Curlews)	94.6%	96.2%	3

CHANGE OF PE DAYS Due to the Y4 residential visit there will be

a slight change in PE days for the week commencing Monday 24th November. Sessions will be as follows: Y5 - Monday 24th November y4 - Thursday 27th November Please ensure your child comes to school in PE kit on the relevant day. PE sessions will revert back to the normal days the following week.

COLD WEATHER CLOTHING

After the recent cold weather, we know that winter really is starting to set in. Parents are asked to ensure that children are sent to school every day wearing appropriate school shoes and a warm coat. We try as often as possible to get the children outside for their playtimes during the day to let off steam and get some much needed fresh air. Our exposed location means that we often experience some very chilly winds. Although we have lots of spare hats and gloves, these also run out quickly on cold days, so it helps if children also come to school with these too.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

After this week, there are only 4 weeks of school left before Christmas. These week are always very busy ones for us here at Amble Links with lots going on. Please keep a very close eye on the school diary in our weekly newsletters to keep abreast of everything that is happening. We also regularly post information about events on our school Facebook Page.

SITE SAFETY

Although we are very lucky to have a large school site, it is always a challenge to keep it safe during snowy and icy weather. We have a gritting plan to ensure that our main access paths are as safe as possible but this is a huge task. Please take great care on our site on these cold mornings.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We are looking for a committed parent to join our governing board and help shape the future of our school. As a parent governor, you'll bring a valuable family perspective to discussions, support strategic decisionmaking, and work with staff and fellow governors to ensure the very best education for all our children. No prior experience is needed—just enthusiasm, a willingness to learn, and a desire to make a positive difference. Governors meet on a half termly basis and there would also be a commitment to regular school visits to work with staff and pupils. If you're interested or would like to find out more, please contact us. Should more than one person express a desire to take on the role, we would be required to run an election process as this role is appointed by the parent body of the school. Please let us know by 12 noon on Friday 28th November if you would be interested.

SCHOOL POLICIES

We have a range of school policies, many of which can be viewed on our school website. Recently we have updated a number of these including our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and Attendance Policy.

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		
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.

CHIRSTMAS FAIR TOMBOLA PRIZES NON-UNIFORM DAY

As our Christmas Fair rapidly approaches, we will be holding another non-uniform day next Friday (28th November) in return for items for our Christmas Fair Tombola. We would really appreciate chocolate or Christmas sweets to be donated but are grateful for anything!

UPDATE FROM GOVERNORS

Our Governing Body are a group of volunteers work with the headteacher and staff to help set the school's strategic direction, ensuring that decisions support the best outcomes for all pupils. They also monitor the school's performance, finances, and safeguarding arrangements to make sure the school is well-run and accountable. This term we have had a few changes to our governing body. After many years of service, Mrs Sylvia Capron (co-opted governor) and Mrs Felicity Edmunds (parent governor) have decided that the time is right to say goodbye. They have both played a huge part in the work of the school over the years and have been regular visitors to meet with staff and children as well as attending school events. We are very grateful for the time they have given to support Amble Links. Mrs Cuthbertson (staff governor), also left us in the summer. We are delighted to have found 2 new governors to join us. Vicky Sowerby has been co-opted whilst Sally Henderson has kindly agreed to join us as staff governor. More information about our governing body can be found in the Governors section of our website.

Visit our website at: www.amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk