



STARS OF THE WEEK

Tommie Witt
Thomas Laidler
Harley Bingham
Oscar Stone
Evie Gray
Savannah Cowie
Melody Farmer

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK : 90.5%

Nursery (Seahorses) -90.4%
 Reception (Turtles) - 88.0%
 Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 88.7%
 Year 2 (Puffins) - 94.3%
 Year 3 (Sharks) - 88.0%
 Year 4 (Penguins) - 93.8%

Well Done Puffins!

2023/24 SCHOOL DIARY

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| Monday 11th December | 9.15am OR 2.00pm Early Years/Y1 Christmas Performance |
| Friday 15th December | Parents invited to classrooms after assembly |
| Sunday 17th December | 11am- Choir Carol Singing at Harbour Village |
| Monday 18th December | 2.00pm - Y2,Y3 and Y4 Christmas Performance |
| Tuesday 19th December | 9.15am OR 2.00pm - Y2,Y3 and Y4 Xmas Performance |
| Wednesday 20th December | 1.30pm-Nativity Service at St Cuthbert's Church |
| Thursday 21st December | Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day |
| Friday 22nd December | Christmas Party Day |
| Friday 22nd December | 2PM - School Closes for Christmas Break |
| Tuesday 9th January 2024 | SCHOOL REOPENS FOR SPRING TERM |

NURSERY/RECEPTION & Y1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Our Nursery, Reception and Y1 performances will be taking place at 9.15am and 2.00pm on Monday 11th December. Parents attending the morning performance will need to drop children off as usual and will then be allowed to enter the hall through the KS1 doors (as on assembly mornings) at 8.50am once we have the children in. Parents coming to the afternoon performance will be need to enter through the main school doors which will open at 1.30pm.

PARENTS SHOULD CHOOSE TO COME TO ONLY ONE OF THE PERFORMANCES AS SPACE WILL BE LIMITED. Parents may take children home after the afternoon performance but please be patient as we will need to take children back to classrooms to get changed **first**.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

This week, the children in Year 1-4 were treated to a performance of 'A Christmas Carol' by the visiting Northumberland Theatre Company who turned our hall into a mini theatre for the morning. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance. Thanks to our PTA who funded this experience for us.

PARENTS TO CLASSROOMS

Parents are invited to come back to classrooms to look through the children's books with them after next Friday's assembly. This is always a very busy morning so please be patient. If you have multiple children in school, please collect children (and books) from classrooms and take them to the hall or library.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

There's only a week left to buy tickets before our Christmas Raffle is drawn. We will draw this at 10am on Friday 15th December in the hall. Any parents wishing to stay to watch the draw are more than welcome although all tickets also have names on them so we will be able to ensure prizes reach the correct people before Christmas. Tickets will be on sale at assemblies and the EY/Y1 Christmas performances but can also be purchased from the school office at £1 per strip.

ELF UPDATE

There has been huge excitement this week as the children have come into school each morning to find that the trail of soil from where Moon Elf and his friends were buried last year seems to have grown each day. The children are convinced that this is elf related. Mr Heeley has looked increasingly worried during the week and called in some expert help from Alncom and Northumbria Police but this doesn't seem to have stopped the trail getting closer and closer to school. Worryingly, there have also been a couple video updates sent through to school from the elves that were sent away to join the military; they seem to be thriving, getting fitter and are apparently training for a special mission. Keep an eye on our Facebook page to stay updated.

SCHOOL DINNER ORDERING

We are still finding every week that children are telling us that they do not like the meal that has been ordered for them. Parents are asked to go through the school meal menu and choose meals WITH them rather than for them. Although we always do our best to ensure children have a meal they enjoy, we are limited in the numbers of meals produced based on your orders.

SWIMMING NEXT HALF TERM

Next half term's swimming lessons will be for Year 2 and Year 4 again. Unfortunately, due to essential annual maintenance, the pool will be closed for the early part of January so first swimming lessons should be on Tuesday 23rd January.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

It's our Christmas dinner day on Thursday 21st December. Our kitchen staff always produce a delicious turkey roast and we manage to squeeze all children from Reception to Y4 into the hall to eat together after they've pulled their crackers. They even get waited on by the school staff! If you would like your child to have a Christmas Dinner (even if they normally have a packed lunch) please order this through School Grid giving us as much notice as possible.

MORRISON'S COMMUNITY GIVING TREE

This year Morrison's, Amble have kindly chosen to support our Breakfast Club with their annual Community Giving Tree. You may have already noticed this when shopping in store. Customers are invited to choose a bauble from the Giving Tree and pay for it at the checkout. 100% of donations will come back to school allowing us to buy supplies for our daily Breakfast Club. Baubles are available in £1, £2 or £5 donations so if you are able to then please pick one up next time you are shopping. We would like to thank Morrison's, Amble for their continued support.