# Amble Links First School

# LINKS NEWS

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### Attendance for Last Week

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK WE ACHIEVED 96.9%

Class percentages for LAST WEEK:

Nursery (Seahorses) -88.9%

Reception (Turtles) - 96.3%

Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 97.3%

*Year 2 (Puffins)* - 98.1%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 94.6%

 Year 4 (Penguins)
 - 98.1%

Well done Puffins and Penguins!

## STARS OF THE

### **WEEK**

Lilly Taylor
Ollie Armstrong
Kate Smith

Poppy Hall

Jack Fannon\*

Keira Wake

#### A BUSY WEEK FOR OUR YEAR 2 PUFFINS

Our Year 2 Puffins have enjoyed a busy week. On Monday they welcomed Gail from Warburtons who talked with the children about the importance of healthy and balanced diets, made healthy sandwiches with them and even gave them a bag of freebies including a loaf of bread! On Wednesday they welcomed Pippa from 'One Day' who worked with the children for the day to create a performance about The Great Fire of London. The class then performed for the whole school, showing off some great speaking, acting and singing. Well done Year 2!

### GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

The school doors open at 8.45am, at which time teachers collect the children from the yard. Each morning the children are then registered and any meal orders that have not been completed online are placed. The children then immediately begin their maths work. Children arriving after the doors are closed are often missing these important times. Any children coming to school after the doors close and enter via the main office are recorded as a late mark. Parents are reminded that even if children have 100% attendance in a half term, children with more than 2 late marks in the half term are not entered into the 'In

To Win' draw for the chance to go to Spurreli. We have noticed recently that Fridays are becoming a particular issue. Please support us in making every minute of the school day valuable by ensuring children are at school on time every day.



## CHANGES TO SCHOOL CHARGES

All parents should have received a letter this week detailing changes to the charges we make for school dinners and after school clubs from January 2018. Please don't hesitate to get in touch should you have any queries about these changes.

### PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thanks to everyone who has already brought in donations for the Christmas Fair—children bringing donations will get a small treat at the office. Any donations of cakes (on the day), toys in good condition and pretty much anything else will be welcomed. Don't forget to get tickets to see Santa; these can be obtained at the office. Children get to see Santa in the order tickets are purchased, so buy yours soon to avoid a long wait!!

Any help on the night would also be much appreciated—please see Mrs Dellbridge at the school office.

#### SWIMMING NEXT WEEK

Swimming lessons for next week are for Year 1 on Thursday and Year 3 on Friday. Please ensure children come to school with their swimming kit. We ask for a contribution of £4 per lesson (children have 1hr lessons every other week) or £2 if your child is entitled to Pupil Premium.

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### 2017 SCHOOL DIARY

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Friday 24th November	7pm PTA Quiz Night
Monday 4th December	3.15pm—Christmas Craft Night. NO DANCE OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Weds 6th December	KS1 Visit to Whitehouse Farm
Weds 6th December	3.15pm- PTA Christmas Fair
Thursday 7th December	9am-Christingle Assembly
Tuesday 12th December	9.30am-Early Years/Y1 Christmas Performance
Weds 13th December	9.30am-Early Years/Y1 Christmas Performance
Thursday 14th December	LAST AFTER SCHOOL CLUB OF YEAR
Friday 15th December	5pm - PT <i>A C</i> hristmas Movie Night
Monday 18th December	2pm - Y2-4 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 19th December	Early Years visit to Heighley Gate
Tuesday 19th December	9.30am-Y2-4 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 19th December	2pm-Y2-4 Christmas Performance
Weds 20th December	2pm Nativity Service—St Cuthbert's Church
Thursday 21st December	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 21st December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 22nd December	Christmas Party Day
Friday 22nd December	2pm-School Closes for Christmas Holiday

### CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENING

Our Christmas activities will soon be coming thick and fast so please keep an eye on the weekly diary on the newsletter (which is also available on the school website every week).

And our Facebook page. It's not long until Christmas Craft Evening which is the traditional start of Christmas activities.

Look out for more details in next week's newsletter.



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