Amble Links First School

LINKS NEWS



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Attendance for Week

Our school target is 95 % OVERALL LAST WEEK- 88% Reception (Turtles) 85% Year 1 Jellyfish- 89% Year 2 Puffins - 88% Year 3 Sharks- 94% Year 4 Penguins - 86% Well Done Sharks!



SCHOOL ORGANISATION FOR NEXT YEAR

We can't believe how quickly this year has gone and are now busy preparing for September. Yesterday the children were 'sprinkled with fairy dust' and enjoyed the day in their new classes for next year. As many of you are already aware, Mrs Screaton will be retiring at the end

of this academic year after 13 years at Amble Links and 40 years in teaching. As our Foundation Stage Leader, Special Needs Co-ordinator and Lead Person for Child Protection for many years she is well known to all parents and children and will be remembered fondly for giving so many children such a good start in their school lives. This is probably not the last you will hear about Mrs Screaton's retirement as we come towards the end of the school year!

Teachers for next year will be: Nursery-Mrs Wilkinson, Reception-Miss Lightley, Jellyfish-Miss Vescio, Puffins-Mrs Oliver, Sharks-Miss Black and Penguins-Miss Barnes. Miss Warren will also be working in school full time doing a range of cover for teachers as well as some work around Special Educational Needs.

Miss Black will be taking over the role as SEN Co-ordinator and Mr Heeley/Miss Lightley will be the Designated Leads for Child Protection.

ATTENDANCE FOR NEXT YEAR

Due to changes made by the Department for Education, any child with less than 90% attendance will be considered a 'persistent absentee' from next year. Parents of Persistent Absentees are likely to be contacted by the Education Welfare Officer from Northumberland County Council to discuss absences in an attempt to improve attendance. In response to these changes we will be discussing with governors whether we should decrease the threshold for imposing fines for holidays taken during term time if children's attendance is already inadequate in the time leading up to the holiday. We will keep you informed of how this is progressing. Your child's attendance report for this will be discussed with you at parents evenings next week.

PARENTS' EVENINGS AND ART GALLERY

As well as parents evenings next week, we will also be displaying some of the children's artwork. Each piece of work will be framed and available to view in the hall or meeting room after school on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th July. Parents will be able to purchase their child's framed work for the very reasonable price of £6. BUY SCHOOL UNIFORM AT alfs.schoople.com

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2015 SCHOOL DIARY

Monday 6th July	SPORTS DAY Am—Nursery Pm- Recep - Y4
Tuesday 7th, Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th July	PARENTS EVENINGS
Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th July	Art Exhibition in School
Wednesday 15th July	Year 4 Leavers Awards
Thursday 16th July	12.30pm Family Picnic and Pea Hunt
Friday 17th July	2pm—School Closes for Summer Holiday
Thursday 3rd September	Children Return to School

AWARDS CEREMONY-ADVANCED WARNING FOR Y3 AND Y4 PARENTS

This year we plan to hold a formal awards ceremony for our Year 4 Leavers on Wednesday 15th July at 3.30pm. We will be inviting the Y3 and Y4 children as well as parents of the Y4 children. We thought you'd appreciate the notice as we'd like children to come to the awards ceremony in formal dress!! More information will come out next week!

SPORTS DAY-MONDAY 6th JULY

It's Sports Day on Monday. If possible, please try to send your child to school with a T-Shirt that matches the house team colour they are in throughout the year. Please send your child to school



with a hat and suncream already applied.- we're hoping for good weather! Sports Day will begin at 1.00pm and parents should enter the school field through the gate next to the main entrance. If weather is not good please keep an eye on the school website and Facebook Page for updates.

WELL DONE to Grace Armstrong who achieved last week's highest Mathletics score of 8073 points. Keep up the good work!

Visit our website at: www.amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk for lots more information!!



"Everyone succeeds at Amble Links."