



STARS OF THE WEEK

Havana Collins
Millie Beverley
Poppy Goodfellow
Indie Sleightholm
Eliza Sweeney
Joanie Dryden
Georgia Crisp

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK : 97.9%

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| Nursery (Seahorses) | -91.0% |
| Reception (Turtles) | - 95.7% |
| Year 1 (Jellyfish) | - 97.7% |
| Year 2 (Puffins) | - 99.1% |
| Year 3 (Sharks) | - 98.7% |
| Year 4 (Penguins) | - 98.3% |

Well Done Puffins!

2023/24 SCHOOL DIARY

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| ***NEW*** Wednesday 29th November | Nursery/Reception Visit from Tiddlywinks— Winter Wonderland |
| Thursday 30th November | 9.00am Christingle Assembly |
| Thursday 30th November | 3.15pm Christmas Fair and Craft Night |
| Tuesday 5th December | Y1-Y4 Children—Christmas Carol Pantomime (in school) |
| Monday 11th December | 9.15am OR 2.00pm Early Years/Y1 Christmas Performance |
| ***NEW*** 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 |

CHRISTMAS FAIR AND CRAFT NIGHT - THURSDAY

It's our Christmas Fair and Craft Night on Thursday after school. There will be a range of stalls and games including tombola, adopt a teddy tombola, elf gift shop, cakes and homemade crafts. We will have a range of free and paid for craft activities in the classroom such as decorating cupcakes and making your own tree decorations. Santa and his elf will also be visiting us and children can visit them in our grotto. Hot food and other refreshments will be on sale from the kitchen. We hope to see as many of you as possible as we start the Christmas Activities at Amble Links. We're still more than happy to take donations and will be grateful for any offers of help on Thursday afternoon/evening.

ADVENT CALENDAR RAFFLE LAST CHANCE!

The Raffle for our advent calendars takes place next Friday in assembly. We have three different calendars - Barbie with a full size doll and accessories, Roblox with six exclusive figures and a No.17 Beauty calendar with full size products. Each will be raffled separately and drawn in assembly on 1st December just in time to open the first doors. Tickets are on sale from the office at £1 per strip.

CHRISTINGLE ASSEMBLY

We will be welcoming the recently retired Reverend John back to lead our Christingle Assembly next Thursday morning at 9am. Parents are welcome to join us for the assembly before going back to classrooms with the children to help them make their own Christingles to take home.



CROSSING ROADS SAFELY

The Turtles were visited this week by Paula and Chris from Coop Funeral Directors in Amble. They came to talk to the children about keeping safe when crossing roads especially in the dark. The children shared what they knew already and completed some activities. Each child was given a reflective arm band to wear over their coat sleeve to help them stay safe and be seen.

NSPCC SPEAK OUT, STAY SAFE ASSEMBLY

This week the children took part in a virtual assembly delivered by the NSPCC with the message Speak Out, Stay Safe. As part of the assembly we thought about steps we could take to stay safe and what to do if we were ever worried, scared or felt unsafe. We heard the message we all have the right to feel safe. Next week Year 2 will be taking part in a workshop to help them learn more. It is really important that we continuously remind children to speak out about their worries and speak to trusted adults at home or at school.



Y3 LEXIA & Y4 TOUCH TYPE READ SPELL

From September, we have encouraged our Y3 and Y4 children to arrive at school at 8.30am daily to complete online tasks using Lexia (Y3) and TTRS (Y4). We have invested heavily in staffing and resources to provide this. We are very pleased to see that the vast majority of Y3 and Y4 children arriving at school at 8.30am and are now beginning to see some very good progress being made by the children, especially those arriving early every day. All of this extra daily practice totals more than an hour per week for children and is developing their confidence and fluency in literacy (Y3) and touch typing/spelling (Y4). Parents are encouraged to ensure that children in Y3 and Y4 arrive at school at 8.30am daily—it really is making a difference!

Along with our weekly number draw in assembly, parents are reminded that we also run an ongoing school lottery through 'Your School Lottery'. There is a guaranteed weekly prize which increases when we sell more tickets as well as the chance to win £25,000. Any tickets that you buy help raise funds for our PTA which then goes to support the work of the school in many different ways.