# Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

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# STARS OF THE WEEK

Adam Lewis
Millie Beverley
Halle Rowell
Mia Fairhurst
Billie-Jo Simpson
Charlie Nealon

### DANCE

Leo Burge

This week we welcomed Tia from Allstar Productions dance company to work with Y3 for a fun morning learning a dance routine to Meghan Trainor's 'Better When I'm Dancing'. The children had a great time and were all able to remember and perform all the moves by the end of the session. Our Y1 children welcomed Hannah as part of their Movement Festival, she taught the children new dance steps leading to a final class routine to music from The Lion King. See more on our Facebook Page

# PARENTS TO CLASSROOMS NEXT WEEK

Parents are invited to join the children in classrooms to look through their books with them after assembly next Friday. Parents who have more than one child in school should collect them from their classrooms with their books and head back into the hall or library to look through books together. Parents are asked to ensure that the children stay close to them during this time and are not allowed to run about.

# UNIFORM WITH NEW LOGOS

We've had lots of very positive feedback about our new logo in preparation for becoming a primary school. We are delighted to let parents know that uniform items bought from our online provider, Tots to Teams, will now have the new logo. Although we remain a first school, we are happy for children to begin wearing uniform with the new logo as soon as you wish but we are also happy for uniforms with the old logo to be worn for as long as necessary, even when we are a primary school. We have a display of our uniform items including a coat and hats at the school entrance.

# WORLD BOOK DAY- FRIDAY MARCH 8th

This is an early reminder that we will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 8th March. We know that the children love to dress up on this day so have decided not to change this and ask that the children come to school dressed as a character from one of their favourite books. We ask that, if possible, the children can also bring along the book that their character is from so that they can talk about it with staff and their friends. Look out for more details nearer the time as other book related activities are likely to be taking place too.

## SAFER INTERNET DAY

As Tuesday was Internet Safety Day, the children spent some assembly time discussing how to keep safe and behave appropriately online. Our Year 3 &4 children also spent some time in classrooms discussing the importance of being kind online using the 'Kindness Challenge' resource from the BBC. There are many other great resources that you may wish to share with the children to support their understanding of how to be safe online. As part of their weekly computing lessons, our children always begin the session with a brief recap of some aspect of keeping safe online to give them a sound understanding of the 4 Cs of online safety—Content, Contact, Conduct and Commerce. These are considered to be the 4 broad areas of risk online. FIND OUT MORE HERE.

Despite their young age, we are aware that many of our children are already using social media so it is important for parents to monitor devices carefully as the children do not always have the maturity to be using these platforms safely or conducting themselves appropriately. We often remind the children that 'anything that they put online, stays online'.

# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Our School Target is 97%
OVERALL LAST WEEK (R-Y4): 97.4%

	Last Week	This Year	Lates this week
YN (Seahorses)	92.1%	92.9%	4
YR (Turtles)	94.7%	95.3%	4
Y1 (Jellyfish)	98.7%	94.6%	3
Y2 (Puffins)	100.0%	94.5%	1
Y3 (Sharks)	94.3%	94.8%	3
Y4 (Penguins)	99.2%	97.4%	3

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2024 SCHOOL DIARY			
Friday 16th February	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly		
Friday 16th February	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term Break		
Monday 26th February	School reopens for Spring 2 For RECEPTION to Y4		
***NEW*** Monday 26th February	Y3 & Y4 Raising Robots STEM Day in school		
Tuesday 27th February	School reopens for Little Pebbles and Nursery		
Thursday 7th March	Year 4 Bikeability Training		
Friday 8th March	World Book Day		
***NEW*** Monday 11th March	Y3 to Easter Experience at St Cuthbert's Church		
***NEW*** Thursday 14th March	Y4 to Easter Experience at St Cuthbert's Church		
***NEW*** Friday 15th March	Non Uniform Day in return for an Easter Egg!		
***NEW*** Monday 18th March	Y2 Visit to Hirsel Estate		
Mon 18th & Tues 19th March	Parent's Evenings (Not Y3 on Monday 18th)		
***NEW*** Wednesday 20th March	Y3 Parents' Evenings.		
***NEW*** Thursday 28th March	2PM- SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER HOLIDAY		
***NEW*** Monday 15th April	School reopens for Summer Term		
***NEW*** Thursday 18th April	Bag2School Collection		
ALL HOLTDAY DATES FOR 2	1 023-24 and 2024-25 CAN RF		

ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2023-24 and 2024-25 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE HERE.

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