



Attendance for Last Week

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK WE ACHIEVED 98.7%

Class percentages for LAST WEEK :

Nursery (Seahorses) - 91.5%

Reception (Turtles) - 99.3%

Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 99.5%

Year 2 (Puffins) - 100%

Year 3 (Sharks) - 98.6%

Year 4 (Penguins) - 96.4%

Well done Puffins!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Archie Wilson

Issy Dunn

Isla Cook

Conner Roberts

Freya Todd

Isla Lewis

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2018 SCHOOL DIARY

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| Friday 9th February | 9.30am - Parents invited to classrooms after assembly |
| Friday 9th February | 3.15pm - School Closes for Half Term |
| Monday 19th February | School Reopens for Spring Term 2 |
| Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th, Wednesday 21st March | 3.30pm - Parents' Evenings |
| Thursday 29th March | 2pm - School Closes for Easter Holiday |
| Monday 16th April | School Re-opens for Summer Term |

SCHOOL PUNCTUALITY TARGET

We have set ourselves a challenging punctuality target for this half term of no more than 55 'lates' for the whole half term. With only 2 weeks of the half term to go, we already have 35 lates recorded but we've had a much better week this week with only 5 lates!



STAFFING INFORMATION

We have written to parents of Y1 children this week to inform them that Miss Warren is going to be absent from work for the next few months due to some necessary surgery. We wish Miss Warren a speedy recovery and look forward to having her back with us as soon as possible. We have worked hard to ensure we get the best possible continuity for the children and are pleased to inform you that Miss Antonia Vescio will be returning to Amble Links as Year 1 Class Teacher until Miss Warren returns. Miss Vescio already knows the school well, including the high expectations we have of the children. We are sure she will quickly settle into Year 1. Please speak to Mr Heeley if you have any questions.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

This week in assembly we have talked with the children about the importance of saying 'NO' if they feel uncomfortable or scared about something they might be asked to do. The PANTS rule is a simple yet effective way of giving some really important messages about how to stay safe from abuse :



Privates are private



Always remember your body belongs to you



No means no



Talk about secrets that upset you



Speak up - someone can help



There are links to relevant resources on the 'Keeping Safe' section of the school website and you can also use the following link to watch the NSPCC Pantosaurus Song which the children have also watched this week: <https://goo.gl/LwsMux>

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.

IMPORTANT! CAR PARK SAFETY

A number of parents and members of staff have recently spoken with us about concerns around inconsiderate driving and parking in the school car park. It seems that the worst times for this are Breakfast Club Drop Off time and pick up time after sports clubs; these are also times when many staff are arriving at/leaving school. Although governors already have the car park situation under review, it is unlikely we will be able to make any significant changes until work on the St Cuthbert's site is underway. We have decided to trial one option from next week - from Monday morning **ONLY STAFF, VISITORS AND DELIVERY VEHICLES WILL BE PERMITTED ONTO THE SCHOOL SITE AT ANY TIME BETWEEN 7.30AM AND 5PM**. This is something that already happens in many local schools and will reduce risk of collisions. Parents should also note that they have responsibility for children until they are in the school building. We will continue to monitor the situation closely.



Y3 BIRD FEEDERS

This week our Y3 children have made bird food as part of their science work linked to different parts of plants and how seeds are dispersed. Take a look at our school Facebook Page and the school website for photographs.

NEXT PTA MEETING

Our PTA have planned their next meeting for 3pm on Sunday 28th January at The Old Storehouse. Current and new members are invited to come along, have a drink and discuss the next few fundraising events. We are always looking for new members to join our small and friendly group!