



STARS OF THE WEEK

Scarlett Hutchinson
Henry Kendall
Kane Taylor
Olivia Grenfell
Nancy Baxter
Sam Whitfield
Willow Nyberg

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK : 90.5%

Nursery (Seahorses)	-94.5%
Reception (Turtles)	- 94.0%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	- 89.3%
Year 2 (Puffins)	- 81.3%
Year 3 (Sharks)	- 94.0%
Year 4 (Penguins)	- 93.8%

Well Done
Sharks and Turtles!

2023 SCHOOL DIARY

Thursday 12th October	9am - Harvest Assembly
NEW Monday 23rd October	3.15pm Y4 Robinwood Parents' Meeting
Friday 27th October	Parents invited to classrooms after assembly
Friday 27th October	3.15pm—School closes for half term break
Thursday 9th November	Bags2School Collection
NEW Mon 13th—Weds 15th November	Year 4 visit to Robinwood Activity Centre
NEW Friday 17th November	Children in Need Day—Spotty Theme
NEW Tuesday 5th December	R-Y4 Children—Pinocchio Pantomime (in school)

ALL HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2023-24 and 2024-25 CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE [HERE](#).

PARENTS' EVENINGS

We were pleased to welcome the vast majority of parents to this week's parents' evenings. These are very important meetings that help parents understand how children have settled into their new classes and give teachers a chance to explain what parents can do to help their children have a successful year. We hope that all of your questions were answered. Thanks to Mrs Dellbridge for her usual good organisation.

BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

Our first Bag2School collection of this school year will take place on Thursday 9th November. This is an ideal opportunity to have a clear out of any unused or unwanted clothes and help to raise some money for our PTA. Due to lack of storage space in school we would really appreciate it if you could keep bags at home until the week of our collection.



HARVEST ASSEMBLY 12TH OCTOBER

Parents are invited to join us for a short Harvest Assembly next Thursday at 9am led by Reverend John. As usual, we hope to be able to collect lots of food and toiletries donations for Amble Foodbank. Every year we are amazed by the generosity of our families in supporting this great cause and hope that this year's donation will be as big as ever. We have included a list of some of the kind of items that the foodbank would find particularly useful in the email with this newsletter.



PE KITS AND EARRINGS

We are still getting a number of children coming to school without their PE kit on their PE day. Children in **Y3 and Y4 have PE on Wednesdays** whilst children in **Y1 and Y2 have PE on Thursdays**.

We also still have a number of children coming to school wearing earrings on their PE day and on swimming day. PE safety guidance advises that earrings should be removed for these lessons. If your child is unable to remove their own earrings, please send them to school with earrings removed that day. Many children are now wearing silicone earring retainers on PE and swimming days. If, for any reason you are not able to remove earrings, please send your child to school in the morning with tape already applied to cover earrings.

DO YOUR REALLY KNOW WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE?

The children regularly access the internet in school for a range of reasons.. All internet in school is filtered, meaning that the children should be unable to access websites that are unsafe or inappropriate (examples of these include websites promoting extremist views, sexual content, adult content or offensive language.) [CLICK HERE](#) to find out more about filtering. We also have systems for monitoring what users do online. Our monitoring system, called Senso, identifies when a user attempts to access or searches for certain types of harmful online content and alerts school, allowing us to intervene and investigate. [CLICK HERE](#) to find out more about monitoring in schools. Of course we still teach the children how to respond if they do access anything that worries or concerns them. When children use the internet at home, it is often unfiltered and, according to a recent survey of our older children, the children are often alone in their rooms using the internet. We strongly recommend that parents set up parental controls at home that will allow you to block and filter upsetting and inappropriate content.

[CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT HOW TO DO THIS.](#)



CHILDCARE SURVEY—CHANCE TO WIN £100 VOUCHER

Northumberland Early Years and Childcare Team is running a project to help to improve access to childcare and support for you and other families in Northumberland. We would like to hear about the type of childcare you use and whether the right childcare and support is available to you. By childcare we mean formal childcare such as nursery; childminder; nanny/ au pair; before and after school clubs and holiday clubs as well as informal childcare such as family & friends.

Response will help us to understand how Northumberland Early Years and Childcare Team can best meet the childcare needs of parents/ carers in the area and will be kept entirely confidential. By completing the survey you can be entered into a prize draw with a chance to win a £100 shopping voucher.