Amble Links First School LINKS NEWS

FIRST SCHOOL

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Friday 22nd December

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Tuesday 9th January2024



2023/24 SCHOOL DIARY

STARS OF THE

WEEK

Amiyah Barclay Reuben Ridley Poppy Bould Mia Fairhurst Paige Crisp Georgie Whenray Leela Wigham

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97% LAST WEEK: 96.5%

 Nursery (Seahorses)
 -85.6%

 Reception (Turtles)
 - 94.7%

 Year 1 (Jellyfish)
 - 98.7%

 Year 2 (Puffins)
 - 95.7%

 Year 3 (Sharks)
 - 95.3%

 Year 4 (Penguins)
 - 98.3%

Well Done Jellyfish!

Y2, 3 & 4 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Our Y2, 3 & 4 Christmas Performances will be taking place at 2.00pm on Monday 18th December and then at 9.15am and 2.00pm on Tuesday 19th December. Parents attending the morning performance will need to drop children off as usual and will then be allowed to enter the hall through the KS2 doors (as on assembly mornings) at 8.50am once we have the children in. Parents coming to the afternoon performances will need to enter through the main school doors which will open at 1.30pm. Refreshments will be on sale before all performances and after the afternoon ones while parents wait for the children to be brought back out by staff. PARENTS SHOULD CHOOSE TO COME TO ONLY ONE OF THE PERFORMANCES AS SPACE WILL BE LIMITED.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY IN SUPPORT OF EDUKAID

The children are also invited to come to school on Thursday 21st December wearing Christmas jumpers. This has become a very popular event and we love to see the range of jumpers the children come in, including some homemade creations. As it can get quite warm in school, we ask that the children wear the majority of their school uniform and just replace their school jumper with a Christmas one so layers can be taken off if need be. As so many people ask us each year if we are doing this to raise money we have decided that we will ask for a donation of £1 per child for wearing a Christmas Jumper - any money raised will be our Christmas present to our chosen charity, EdUKaid, who will use the money to support the children of Mgao Pre-Primary School in Tanzania.

CHURCH NATIVITY—WEDNESDAY

Parents and friends are welcome to join us for our Christmas Carol Service at St Cuthbert's Church at 1.30pm on Wednesday. Parents are invited to help us walk the children to the church and should arrive at school at 1pm and wait on the Key Stage 1 yard to meet the children as they come out of school. Parents will be able to take the children home directly from the church. All other children will be walked back to school and should be collected at 3.15pm. There will no afternoon nursery on Wednesday although all nursery children and parents are welcome to come along to the church.

CHOIR SINGING AT HARBOUR VILLAGE

Our choir will be singing at the Harbour Village on Sunday at 11am. Choir members should meet Mrs Smith at the Harbour Village at 10.50am. We would love to see other members of the school community there too.

URGENT HELP NEEDED-ELF TRAPS

Due to the recent infestation of elves at Amble Links, Mr Heeley has again asked the children to help him to catch the naughty elves by making elf traps. This is something that the children love doing and we really appreciate the support that parents give. Hopefully we'll be able to set elf traps on Thursday evening.

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

Christmas Party Day

Christmas Break

SPRING TERM

2PM - School Closes for

SCHOOL REOPENS FOR

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

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

It's our Christmas dinner day on Thursday 21st December. Our kitchen staff always produce a delicious turkey roast and we manage to squeeze all children from Reception to Y4 into the hall to eat together after they've pulled their crackers. They even get waited on by the school staff! If you would like your child to have a Christmas Dinner (even if they normally have a packed lunch) please order this through School Grid giving us as much notice as possible.

THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON FRIDAY 23RD DECEMBER AS SCHOOL CLOSES AT 2PM



FRIDAY IS PARTY DAY!!

Children can come to school in party clothes on Friday. We will provide party type food for all children (pizza, sausages, chips) at lunchtime. Children can still bring a packed lunch if they wish.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We drew our Christmas Raffle today. Thanks to everyone who so kindly donated and to everyone who bought tickets. The raffle has helped us raise over £500. Mrs Dellbridge has emailed all winners and prizes can be collected from the school office.

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