



### Attendance for Week 1

*Our school target is 95 %*

**OVERALL LAST WEEK- 95%**

Reception (Turtles) 97%

Year 1 Jellyfish- 96%

Year 2 Puffins - 93%

Year 3 Sharks- 95%

Year 4 Penguins - 96%

*Well Done Turtles!*

### STARS OF THE WEEK

Nina Baxter  
Charlotte Whitfield  
Stephen Addison  
Ros Allan  
Aiden Arries  
Evie Bell  
Lillie Oliver

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### 2016 SCHOOL DIARY

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| ***NEW***<br>Tuesday 9th February                   | PTA VALENTINES<br>DISCOS<br>4-pm-5pm Nursery-Y1<br>5.15-6.15 Y2- Y4 |
| Thursday 11th February                              | 9am - Y4 Penguins Class<br>Assembly                                 |
| ***NEW***<br>Friday 12th February                   | It's Okay Day   |
| Friday 12th February                                | Parents invited to<br>classrooms after assembly                     |
| Friday 12th February                                | 3.15pm School closes for<br>half term break.                        |
| ***NEW***<br>Monday 22nd February                   | School re-opens   |
| ***NEW***<br>Wednesday 24th<br>February             | Reception swimming<br>lessons begin                                 |
| ***NEW***<br>Friday 26th February                   | PTA QUIZ NIGHT  |
| ***NEW***<br>Tuesday 15th &<br>Wednesday 16th March | Parents' Evenings   |
| ***NEW***<br>Friday 18th March                      | PTA Movie Night<br>5pm-7pm  |
| ***NEW***<br>Thursday 24th March                    | PTA Easter Egg Raffle   |

### PTA UPDATE

The PTA held their latest meeting on Sunday. We were pleased to welcome some new members to the group—more new members are always welcome. The PTA discussed ways in which the money they raise should be spent and agreed to support us with a number of projects including paying for the transport for the Y4 Robinwood residential visit, buying some new science equipment and equipment for the playground as well as other smaller projects. The PTA have also agreed that, along with the work we do in school, they would like to donate to EdUKaid. They agreed to donate 5% of their annual takings to this very good cause which our pupils are also learning lots from. Also, check the school diary as they have also agreed a few new event dates including a disco, movie

### CHANGES TO BREAKFAST CLUB ARRANGEMENTS

Due to the huge popularity and high levels of use of our Breakfast Club governors have recently reviewed the organisation of our Breakfast Club. From February 22nd 2016 the daily cost of Breakfast Club will be rising to £1 per child per session. Additionally, we will be opening Breakfast Club earlier each day, meaning that children can be brought to school between 8.00am and 8.15am. Children will continue to receive cereal, toast and juice as well as the occasional beans on toast and other treats! Governors believe that nearly 4 hours childcare and 5 breakfasts for £5 per week represents exceptionally good value for money.

We ask that payments for Breakfast Club are made on a daily basis or in advance as we are required to keep detailed financial accounts.



### EASIER ONLINE ACCESS TO PURPLE MASH

Purple Mash is one of the online resources that we provide access to for our pupils each year. There are a huge range of activities available that can be used at home and that we use in school. This resource can now be accessed by children directly through the 'Tools' on their School360 homepage without requiring an additional password.



### TURTLE TRIMS OUR EARLY YEARS HAIR SALON

The children in Turtles have been thoroughly enjoying playing and learning in their very own hair salon this term. Miss Lightley has starred in a video on the Northumberland Gazette website (link from the school website and Facebook page) as well as in yesterday's newspaper. We are also very grateful to Lynne Straughan who came in and demonstrated her real hairdressing skills to the Turtles children by giving Mr Heeley a (very) short back and sides. We are thoroughly enjoying observing the children using the hair salon and listening to the language that it is promoting.

**WELL DONE** to Jessica Waddell who achieved last week's highest  
Mathletics score of 3540 points. Keep up the good work!