



## LINKS NEWS

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### LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Our School Target is 97%

**LAST WEEK: 94.8%**

Nursery (Seahorses)	-96.1%
Reception (Turtles)	-96.0%
Year 1 (Jellyfish)	-100%
Year 2 (Puffins)	-93.3%
Year 3 (Sharks)	-93.0%
Year 4 (Penguins)	-90.0%

**Well done Jellyfish!**

### STARS OF THE WEEK

**Olly Nelson  
Ava Purvis  
Erin Henderson  
Ava Stewart  
Jamila Saker  
Sarjon Oglah**



### CHILDREN IN NEED

Next Friday is Children in Need Day. To keep this as simple as possible we are having a Pyjamas for Pudsey Day. In return for a donation of at least £1, the children are invited to come to school in pyjamas and onesies for the day (please ensure that children still have sensible coats and footwear for playtimes). We've also given all of the children a box of Smarties today. We ask that the children eat the smarties and then return the box to school next week full of loose change that will also be donated.

### AMBLE TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

It's the Amble Torchlight Procession and light switch on at **5pm on Sunday 18th November**, starting at the Wellwood. During next week the children in Years 1 to 4 will be making a small lantern that they will be welcome to carry as part of the procession. It would be great to see lots of our children and parents joining in! Lanterns will be sent home with the children when they are completed.

### OPERATION ENDEAVOUR

Please see the reverse of this newsletter informing parents that we are a part of operation Endeavour.

### 2018 SCHOOL DIARY

Mon 12th—Weds 14th November	Year 4 Residential Visit to Robinwood
<b>***NEW*** Friday 16th November</b>	<b>CHILDREN IN NEED</b>
Sunday 18th November	5pm -Amble Torchlight Procession
Friday 30th November	7pm -PTA QUIZ NIGHT
Monday 3rd December	3.15pm—Christmas Craft Evening (NO CLUBS)
Weds 5th December	Y1-Y4 Dovecote Centre Pantomime
Thursday 6th December	9am—Christingle Assembly
Thursday 6th December	3.15pm PTA Christmas Fair
Monday 10th December	9.30am Nursery. Reception, Y1 Christmas Performance
Monday 10th December	2.00pm Nursery, Reception, Y1 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 11th December	9.30am Nursery, Reception, Y1 Christmas Performance
Friday 14th December	Parents to classrooms to see books after assembly
Monday 17th December	2pm—Y2/3/4 Performance
Tuesday 18th December	9.30am - Y2/3/4 Performance
Weds 19th December	1.30pm - Nativity Service at St Cuthbert's Church
Thurs 20th December	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner
Friday 21st December	Party Day <b>SCHOOL CLOSSES 2PM</b>

### BOOKING HOLIDAYS

Parents are reminded that we will not authorise holidays during term time due to the negative impact that absences from school have on children's learning. We will apply for penalty notices if attendance in the 12 months leading up to the holiday has been less than 93%. During May and June, children in Y1 and Y2 complete Phonics and SATs tests which are reported nationally and also used as a measure of school performance. Results of assessments are also used to measure children's progress when they reach Year 6.  
**PLEASE AVOID TAKING CHILDREN OUT OF SCHOOL DURING TERM TIME**

### 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.



Our next PTA Quiz Night is coming up on Friday 30th November. This is always a really popular night. Places are limited so it is important to get your entry and payment in quickly. Entry forms are available at the school office.

### PUNCTUALITY TARGET

On Tuesday we set our new punctuality target for the whole of this half term at **no more than 28 lates**.

**Unfortunately we haven't got off to the best of starts with 10 lates this week already.**

Arriving at school on time helps ensure that children settle into each school day following normal routines and are able to quickly get on with their learning which starts as soon as they come in. As we didn't reach our targets last half term the children missed out on a whole school treat. Please ensure children are ready to come into school at 8.45am prompt.

### IN TO WIN WINNERS

This week we drew the winners of the In to Win draw for children with 100% attendance and no more than 2 lates during last half term. The winners will soon enjoy an ice cream treat at Spurreli: Kayden Montgomery, Will Douglas, Annie Falkous, Charlie Fannon, Callum Straughan, Jack Fannon