

JANUARY



A big thank you to everyone for making my first Christmas in Amble so enjoyable! The Christmas performances were terrific- well done to the children for all star acting and super singing. Thank you to all staff for the hard work that went on behind the scenes, preparing the speaking parts and learning the songs and to parents for providing costumes.

Can I take this opportunity to wish all our families a Happy New Year!

Mrs Bruce ☺

Attendance awards ★



Congratulations to year four who won our Rocket attendance race for the Autumn Term. Year Four is one of our largest classes and yet all the children together achieved the highest class attendance for the term. Very well done and enjoy your winning trip to the park! This means we reset the rockets and our race for the Spring Term begins. How do you win? Easy. . Just come to school every day this term!

Our first 100% attendance badges were handed out on the last day of term. These should be worn with pride every single day as it was a long term with lots of illnesses. Well done to all those who made it!

Our proud 100% attenders are:



Reception: Isaac and Joe P.

Year One: Jude, Olly, Aaron F, Aidan, Tegan, Harriet, Elliot, Indie, Ethan, Zane and Ava.

Year Two: Morgan, Jackson, Ebony and Luke.



Year Three: Phoebe, Isla, Isaac, George, Savannah, Jady, Leo, Lexie and Evan.

Year Four: Megan, Sian, Lily-Mae, Riley, Jacob, Jay, Lily-May, Jessica, Oli, Harry, Grace O, William and Ryan.



A message from the PTA

We would like to thank you for all your support at various events this term which include movie nights, discos and of course, our Christmas fair which raised over £1,000!!! This helps to purchase equipment and experiences for all our children at school to enhance their learning and fun!

Every class was invited to bid for money from our funds in a "Dragon's Den" extravaganza! Children from Toucans up to year four visited us in the hall to explain what their class needed and why. We were very impressed with their presentations and this is what we bought them:

- ✓ Nursery and Toucans: New play equipment
- ✓ Reception- Lunch with Santa!
- ✓ Year One - Beanbags for the reading area, Numicon Maths equipment
- ✓ Year Two - A smart TV to replace the broken Smartboard!
- ✓ Year Three- Book donations and Numicon maths equipment
- ✓ Year Four- Place Value counters

Please continue to support our events and if you would like to give a hand - watch out for details of our next meeting in 2018.

Happy New Year! The PTA

Dates for your diary

Parent Assemblies - Family and friends are all welcome to watch children celebrate and share their learning - always a Monday afternoon at 2.45pm.

- **January 29th - Year 2**
- **February 5th - Reception**
- **March 5th - Year 1**
- **March 19th - Year 3**
- **March 26th - Year 4**

Literacy parent drop in sessions - This term we welcome you to see your children working in a Literacy lesson. The sessions will be run during the school day either first thing in the morning or the last session of the day. Watch out for more information from your class teacher nearer the time. The dates are as following:

- **January 15th - Year 4**
- **February 26th - Year 2**
- **March 5th - Year 3**

- **March 12th - Reception**
- **March 26th - Year 1**

We would also welcome year 1 parents to a missed numeracy drop in on **Monday January 22nd**.

Spelling Bee

After careful consideration, we have decided to run our spelling bee competition on the last week of term (Week beginning; 5.2.18) This will allow us more time in class to go over the words and give you more time at home to learn them! See your child's class teacher if you need any more information.

Swimming begins again on..

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Phonicsplay

Tuesday

Please don't forget to

Best wishes from,

The Amble First School Team