



# Newsletter, October 2019

Dear Parents and friends.

We have had a very busy term already! Thanks to everyone who has attended reading drop-ins, spelling workshops, the year two SATs meeting and the year one phonic drop in. This involvement makes a huge difference to pupil learning. Don't forget parents evening this term to discuss your child's learning journey.

Thanks for all your cake donations for MacMillan coffee morning and for giving so generously on the day. We raised £308.25 for a fantastic cause.

#### Mrs Bruce

## Dates for your diary

Parent Assemblies - Family and friends are all welcome to watch children celebrate and share their learning - this term we are going to run them on Monday afternoon at 2:45pm

October 24th (changed from October 21st) - Year 4

November 11<sup>th</sup> - Year 2 December 2nd - Year 3 November 25<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 November 18<sup>th</sup> - Reception

Reading parent drop in - Teachers will be demonstrating lots of reading tips and games to ensure your child loves reading! (especially at home after a long day at school!) All parents and carers are invited to come along on the following days at 9am: Just year 2 left!!

October 11th - Year 2

#### Parent's evening

Parents evening will be over three days for Reception - Year Four, Mon-Wed in the week beginning, Monday October 21st. Please look out for letters from your child's class teacher.

#### School photos

Individual school photos will be taken by Phototronics on **Wednesday 23rd October**. Family groups are possible - if you have pre/middle/high school children who you want to include on the photograph, please come to school for 8.30am.

#### Harvest festival

Please join us at St Cuthbert's church for our harvest festival on Monday 21st October at 1:15pm where all our classes from Reception to Year Four will perform something special. We would be grateful for any donations of dried food (packets or boxes) or tins of food which will be donated to the local food bank. Please bring into school from Monday 13th October.



#### PTA

A big thank you to all our PTA members for supporting the MacMillan Coffee Morning.

Parents and friends of Amble First School support the school to raise vital funds in lots of fun and exciting ways that really help our children! If you would like to join or give support in any way, we would love to see you. The next meeting is on **Friday 18 October** at 2pm. Just call in at the main entrance if you can make it.

The following events have been planned for the Autumn Term. See flyer attached for the Pumpkin off and the disco.

Pumpkin off - w/b 21.10.19

Halloween disco- 24.10.19 5:30pm- 7:30pm

Movie night - 14.11.19 straight after school until 5pm

Christmas Fair - 6.12.19 2pm



Our Safeguarding Schools liaison office, Karen Kirkbride, is coming to do an emotions and empathy PSHE session with our year 4s. This is part of our work with Northumberland police in

partnership to safeguard pupils against future domestic abuse, with early intervention.

There will be a drop in session where parents can speak with Karen to seek advice regarding domestic abuse, request an onward referral to domestic abuse support services or alternatively make a report to the Police. This will take place at 8:30am on Tuesday the 15th October. Please call in on that date at 8:30am - no appointment necessary or alternatively let Mrs Bruce know you would like to speak to Karen.



### Special dinner day

Our children love our "Special Dinner" days and this term we are offering our ever popular "Cowboy Lunch" on Thursday 3rd October at the cost of £2.20 (see menu below and booking form at the end of the newsletter). Children in Reception, Year 1 and

Year 2 are entitled to universal free school meals, therefore don't need to pay. If your child normally has a school lunch each day, you do not need to return the form.

Menu
Cowboy dinner
Bangers in a bun
Campfire beans
Fireside fries
Crunchy carrot sticks
Chocolate chip cowboy cookies

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Please book a place for my child on **Cowboy Dinner day** (3rd October). Please delete as appropriate

- · I enclose payment of £2.20
- · My child is in Reception/ Years 1 /2 and does not pay for lunch
- · My child is entitled to free school meals

Name	Class	

Best wishes from,

The Amble First School Team