King Edwin Primary School

Newsletter 2026 Newsletter

Remembrance

Children from Year 1 - 6 will be visiting the cenotaph in Amble town centre at 11am on **Wednesday 11th November**. Poppies and other items are available to purchase in school. Children are welcome to bring money in to buy during the day or you can visit the school office before or after school.

Amble Harbour Lights Community Choir Concert

We are delighted to be continuing our work with the Amble Harbour Lights Community Choir. The choir will be singing with the children in our assembly on **Friday 27th November** and families are welcome to join us for this.

To listen to our last amazing collaboration, please visit:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wp8QaxD2wTE

Christmas Fair Collections

In preparation for the Christmas fair, we will be holding non-uniform days to collect prizes. In return for wearing non-uniform, we would be grateful for donations of the following items:

Friday 27th November - bottles

Friday 4th December - Sweets/Chocolates

We would also be grateful for any donations of raffle prizes. If you, or anyone you know, would be able to help us, please get in touch with school. Many thanks.

Reading Challenge

We're now coming toward the end of the first term of our Reading Challenge! We are delighted to see how many children have been reading at least 4 times every week. There are still plenty of certificates and prizes to be won at the end of the challenge, so keep reading!

Top Reading Classes so far:

First: Year 3
Second: Year 1
Third: Year 6

Children in Need Day

Children in Need Day is **Friday 13th November**. Children are welcome to come to school in spots or non-uniform and we will be collecting donations for the charity.

Reminder: PE Days Autumn 2

Reception	Monday and Thursday
Year 1	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2	Monday and Friday
Year 3	Monday and Friday
Year 4	Monday and Wednesday
Year 5	Wednesday and Friday
Year 6	Tuesday and Thursday

Jewellery

A reminder that **no jewellery** should be worn in school. This includes any sort of necklaces, bracelets or items tied around wrists, other than a simple watch. Please ensure that all earrings are removed or, where piercings are still not healed, plastic retainers are worn.

Attendance

The school's attendance target is 97%.

So far this year, our attendance stands at 95.86% which is below the school's target and the national average. Please help us to improve this by ensuring that your child attends school every day unless they are genuinely too unwell to do so.

October attendance by year group:

Reception	**94.26%**
Year 1	**95.59%**
Year 2	**96.41%**
Year 3	**97.44%**
Year 4	**95.98%**
Year 5	**96.32%**
Year 6	**95.88%**

Well done Year 3!

Key Dates:

November

2nd Photographer
5th Flu vaccinations
6th Y1 Amble Ramble
11th Remembrance at the Cenotaph
13th Children in Need Day - non-uniform
27th Non-uniform day - Bottle donations
27th Amble Harbour Lights Choir concert

December

1st EYFS Drop in session 9am
3rd Year 1&2 Christmas Performance & drop in (change of date)
4th Non-uniform day - Sweets/chocolate donations
4th Rocksteady Concert
8th EYFS Christmas Performance - 9am
8th Year 3&4 Christmas Performance & drop in 1:30pm
9th Year 5&6 Christmas Performance & drop in 1:30pm
10th Christmas Fair 2pm
15th Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party
16th EYFS Christmas Party
16th Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party
17th Year 1 & 2 Christmas Party
TBC Christmas Dinner Day
18th Last day of term

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Attendance Matters!

Be Here, Learn More, Achieve More!

OUR SCHOOL TARGET

97%

Our goal is 97% attendance

every day counts!

WHAT DAYS ABSENCES ADD UP TO:

95%	=	10 DAYS ABSENCE 50 LESSONS MISSED
90%	=	20 DAYS ABSENCE 100 LESSONS MISSED
85%	=	30 DAYS ABSENCE 150 LESSONS MISSED
80%	=	40 DAYS ABSENCE 200 LESSONS MISSED

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost learning each year

LEARNING LOST WHEN LATE:

- Miss important explanations
- Lose time completing work
- Fall behind your classmates
- Miss out on key opportunities

GOOD ATTENDANCE LEADS TO SUCCESS!

- Better learning
- More confidence
- Stronger friendships
- Brighter future!

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

Together, we can reach our 97% target!

Be in school
Be on time

Every day matters

Let's aim high together!

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Should my child be off school?

Good health helps children learn, play and achieve.

This guidance is based on NHS advice.

YES – COME TO SCHOOL

In most cases, children can come to school if they:

- **Have a mild cough or cold** (no fever)
- **Have a runny or blocked nose**
- **Have a sore throat**
- **Are feeling tired** (if otherwise well)
- **Have minor cuts, grazes or bruises**
- **Have a headache** (if mild and no other symptoms)

NO – STAY AT HOME

Keep your child at home if they:

- **Have a high temperature** (above 38°C)
- **Have vomiting or diarrhoea** (stay off for 48 hours after the last episode)
- **Have a new rash** (especially with a fever)
- **Have conjunctivitis (pink eye)** (discharge causing eyes to be stuck shut)
- **Have an ear infection** (with severe pain or fever)
- **Are too unwell** to take part in normal activities

When can my child return to school?

Vomiting or diarrhoea
Stay off for 48 hours after the last episode. Your child can return when they feel well enough.

Fever
Return to school when your child no longer has a high temperature and feels well enough.

Well enough
If your child is well enough to enjoy school activities and concentrate, they can return.

Not sure?
If you are unsure whether your child is too ill for school, contact our school office for advice.

Infection control
Encourage good hand hygiene, catch coughs and sneezes in tissues and keep up to date with vaccinations.

Working together
Let's keep our school community healthy, safe and ready to learn.

Be well. Learn well. Achieve together.