

Newsletter



Amberley Primary School Summer 1 2026 Issue #03

This half-term at Amberley!

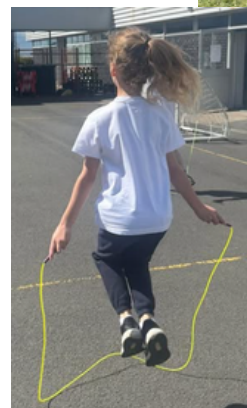
This half term seems to have whizzed past in the blink of an eye! Well done to all of our pupils who continue to work hard and be the best they can be. We are all very proud of you. Here's a quick look at what we've been up to:



Sports Week!



Sports and well-being week has been one of the highlights of my year. We've enjoyed a full week of different sports and opportunities including Wake up Shake up, dance, gymnastics, cricket, tennis, rugby, football, basketball and boxing. We've learned about first aid and worked with real animal hearts in Y5 and welcomed guest speakers Craig Heap and Charlotte Hartley into school. Thank you so much to all of our providers and Mr Shannon for organising such a great week! The rain even held off so we could enjoy our various sports days too - thank you to those that could join us.



PTFA Announcements

Did you know that our discos, fairs, and Easter Bingo are all organised by a small group of volunteers? Could you spare a couple of evenings a year to help plan events, or just to help out at the events themselves? If so, your PTFA need you!

Last year we raised £6,850 and used that money to pay for Author visits for the children, equipment for the sensory room, presents and hats at Christmas and SATs treats for Year 6. Our latest event - our Easter Bingo event - raised £350 in April. Look out for our summer fair date coming soon!

In the coming years we would like to subsidise school trips to make things cheaper for everyone and our long-term goal is to get some fantastic new play equipment for the yard!

If you are interested in joining us or just coming along to listen at our next meeting, please email our lovely team of parents at amberleydragons@outlook.com. Thank you!

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Team

**Amberley Primary
School**

Team captain:
Craig Shannon



Target
£100

Raised so far
£5,258

Number of donors
359



Children's Cancer Run, 2026

Well done to everyone who competed in the Children's Cancer Run at Newcastle Racecourse on Sunday 17th May. You all did amazingly well (especially parents and carers battling through the car chaos!)

You have raised an astonishingly brilliant grand total of £5258 - quite simply amazing!!

Office news

Arbor App

To get in-app messages, please make sure you have downloaded the Arbor app to your phone. Download the app from the Android Play Store or Apple App Store.

Please remember to order your children's school lunch via the Arbor app. Pre-ordering ensures your child will get their preferred meal each day!

Amberley breakfast club runs daily with starting time options of 7.30am (£4) or 8am (£3). If you wish for your child to attend, please use the booking in system on your Arbor App. Parents can use their Tax-Free Childcare account to pay for breakfast club. Please contact the school office for details on how to do this.

Pre-loved Uniform

A reminder that we have pre-loved uniform at the front of school. No need to ask, just help yourself.

Appointments or absences

If your child has an appointment or is absent from school, please let the office know rather than just the class teacher or someone on the door. Sometimes it is difficult for staff to pass these messages on before office staff have phoned you to check where your child is! Thank you.



Our whole school
attendance to date
this year is 95.6%,
just shy of our
target of 96%. Well
done everyone!



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Extra-curricular clubs next half-term

The following clubs are running after-school next half term. If you have signed your child up to a club, remember to check the sessions dates and times on your Arbor app and please ensure children have any kit they might need for the session. We cannot always call home for forgotten items. Please note that clubs run by external providers will not be on Arbor (eg Crafty Kids club) so check the letter carefully for all details.

Monday

Y5 Cycling Club 15:15 to 16:30 (1st and 8th June only) and then this ends after the residential

Tuesday

Crafty Kids 15:15 to 16:30 – run by private provider
Y3/4 Cricket Club 15:15 to 16:15

Thursday

Y1/2 Cricket Club 15:15 to 16:15

Friday

Zumba 15:15 to 16:00

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TTRS and Numbots reminder!

Just 10 minutes practice per day can help improve instant recall hugely so if you have some spare time over the holidays, join in the fun!

On TTRS, our most active class to date are Y4ML and on Numbots our top coin earners are Y2CS.

Safeguarding at Amberley

At Amberley Primary School, we remain fully committed to keeping all children safe and ensuring their wellbeing is at the centre of everything we do. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Dawson, supported by our Deputy Safeguarding Leads Mrs Hurst, Miss Taylor and Miss Low. If you ever have concerns about a child's safety or welfare, please contact the safeguarding team on 0191 814 0970, or North Tyneside's Front Door Service on 0345 2000 109 (office hours) or 0191 200 6800 (evenings/weekends).

Full safeguarding and online safety policies are available on our school website.

Designated Safeguarding
Lead



Name: Mr Dawson
Title: SENco / SLT

Designated Safeguarding
Deputy



Name: Mrs Hurst
Title: SEMH lead

Designated Safeguarding
Deputy



Name: Miss Taylor
Title: SLT / English lead

Designated Safeguarding
Deputy



Name: Miss Low
Title: Support staff Y6

2026-2027 Term dates

Amberley Primary School Term and Holiday Dates



2026 to 2027

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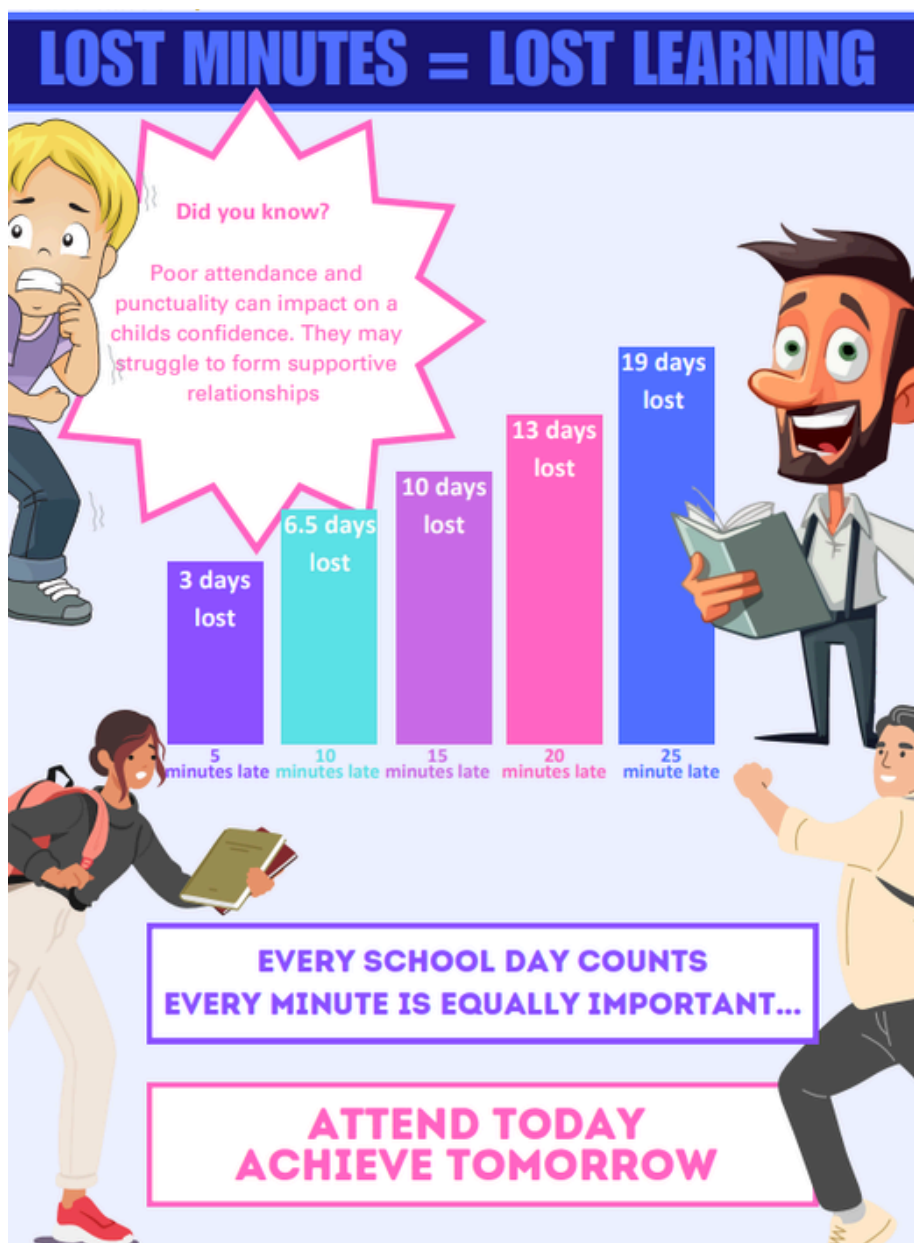
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Autumn Term 1	Wed 2 Sep 2026 – Thurs 22 Oct 2026
Autumn Term 2	Mon 2 Nov 2026 – Thu 17 Dec 2026
Spring Term 1	Tue 5 Jan 2027 – Fri 12 Feb 2027
Spring Term 2	Mon 22 Feb 2027 – Thu 25 Mar 2027
Summer Term 1	Mon 12 Apr 2027 – Fri 28 May 2027
Summer Term 2	Tue 8 June 2027 – Wed 21 Jul 2027

Colour Key	
	Bank Holiday
	School Holiday
	Teacher Training Day
	Weekend

Autumn Term 2027 likely to start on Wednesday 1 September 2027



Attendance and Punctuality

The importance of good attendance and punctuality cannot be overemphasised. Education is vital to ensure children have the chance to achieve their potential in life, for their future. Children only get one education; every day missed by choice, is missed knowing there is a potential impact on their education and future.

Parents/carers should also ensure that children arrive on time each day. Children are marked late to school if they arrive after registers close at 9.00am. It is classed as an unauthorised absence if they arrive after 9.30am.

Please contact us if you have concerns regarding your child's attendance and how we can work together to improve this.

YARD

REMINDERS

Please ensure that children are supervised on the yards at all times before and after school, especially if they are using the school fixed equipment. If your child makes their own way to school, please remind them that they should not be playing football on the yard before school.



School Trips



We have enjoyed lots of school trips this academic year with still more scheduled!

Pupils in Y1 have visited St Mary's Lighthouse and Y4 have enjoyed workshops from ThatHistoryBloke all about the Ancient Greeks.

These trips really do enrich the curriculum for our pupils and bring it alive so many thanks for your voluntary contributions and to those who have been able to support the trips as parent helpers.



Y6 SATS

A big well done to our fantastic Y6 pupils who completed their KS2 SATs last week. They worked so hard and made us very proud. Well done, everyone! Thanks to Carol in our catering team for providing the delicious breakfasts for us across the week and to the PTFA for buying the children their McDonalds happy meals - a well-deserved post SATs treat!



Good Citizens Award

Two of our Y6 pupils were heroes recently, when they were playing and spotted some older children setting fire to a bin in the park. They immediately rang 999 before the fire got worse to report it and the fire brigade came to put the fire out and make the area safe. School, parents and the fire brigade were all very proud of the boys, who did exactly the right thing. Definitely deserving of an Amberley 'Good Citizens award!'



Eco Warriors news!

The Eco Warriors have been busy supporting environmental projects in and around school. As part of the Big Spring Clean, Eco Warriors carried out a litter pick around the school grounds to promote pride in our environment and encourage responsibility for reducing litter. We are also planning a litter pick along the cycle track next to the school to encourage children to care for shared spaces.

This term, the Eco Warriors are also taking part in Vision for Education's 'Voice for the Planet' project. They are creating a 'Protect Our Planet' noticeboard to raise awareness of environmental issues and encourage sustainable actions across the school.

Thank you Mr B!

Our site manager, Mr B, has been busy working hard around school. He has built a new mud kitchen, fireplace and wooden structure in forest school, as well as new wooden playground equipment for the yard. Thank you so much and thanks to business Quay Timber for providing all of the wood free of charge. We are very grateful.



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Spring term House point Winners!

Well done to Maple house!



A huge thank you to our staff, families and pupils for making this half-term so memorable. We can't wait to see what the next half-term brings (hopefully lots of sunshine!)

Have a fantastic half-term and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 1st June when school re-opens. Have a great holiday!

Mrs Shackleton.

Key Dates

Please see attachment for Summer 2 key dates