



KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

Week Beginning Monday 2nd July 2018

Sycamore	The adults in year 6 would like to praise all of the children that went to the Aspire Games on Tuesday; it was a really hot day and you all performed superbly!
Birch	The teachers in year 5 would like to praise Triston for his fantastic efforts with minute reading. They would also like to praise Milan for her great work on ordering decimals in arithmetic this week. A big well done goes to Chelsie and Skye for their positive attitudes. Writer of the Week: Tyrell for creating a great name for his imaginary product during our work on adverts Maths Master: Keane for being incredibly accurate with perimeter work this week
Ash	The teachers in Ash class would like to praise the whole class for showing great resilience during the 'Race for Life' and helping to raise money for Cancer Research. They would also like to praise Kamil and Evie for their excellent contributions during our discussions about the skeleton. Also well done to Poppy for creating a superb map of the school, including a key. Writer of the Week: Alfie B for writing a superb diary entry about our trip to Wingham Maths Master: Amelia for using estimation and the inverse to check her answers
Beech	Miss Searle and Mrs Pullen would like to praise the whole class for their brilliant attitude and effort during the 'Race for Life'. An extra well done goes to those who represented the school when singing in the choir at the residential home. Writer of the Week: Aleksander for his great ideas when writing a poem based on Predators Maths Master: Elizabeth for her superb maths test results
Maple	Mrs Bond and Mrs Woolley would like to praise Marina and Cassie for displaying resilience during the mile this week. They would also like to praise Harini, Lucy and Oliver for the amazing shading techniques they used when drawing their tigers. Writer of the Week: Ronnie T for his use of powerful adjectives in his character description of the Gruffalo Maths Master: Ronnie J for independently generating a bar chart to show how many mini beasts he found in the woodlands.
Willow	The teachers in Willow Class would like to praise 'Question Marks' group for their brilliant work in literacy this week—you have all been amazing. Writer of the Week: Alex for writing some great questions and including question marks Maths Master: Evie for working really hard when dividing this week
Oak	The teachers in Reception would like to praise and thank the whole of Oak Class for their fantastic behaviour and lovely manners on our school trip to Wingham. Writer of the Week: Dre for writing lots of questions he wants to ask about dinosaurs Maths Master: Rylee for practising counting in 10s to 100 on the coach!
Cherry	The teachers in Cherry Class would like to praise all the children for being super sensible during the 'Race for Life' on Thursday! Writer of the Week: Miley for trying really hard to write her family's names and for not giving up when it got a bit tricky! Maths Master: Lauren for accurate one to one counting this week

Diary:

Monday 2nd July

Infant Games team to Greenfields
Nathan Timothy in school working with year 5
Year 6 dress rehearsal to the school

Tuesday 3rd July

SPORTS DAY (am Early Years, pm, KS1-2)

Wednesday 4th July

Afternoon and Evening performance of Year 6 production to parents
11am Year 5 clarinet performance to parents

Thursday 5th July

Fulston, Highsted and Borden transition day for year 6

Friday 6th July

INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN

Monday 9th July

Westlands and SCC transition week
9.45am Nursery sharing event
Football vs Greenfields after school (at Greenfields)

School transition—pm

Tuesday 10th July

Whole school transition day

Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who attended the Race for Life event on Thursday and cheered the children on (or joined in the Race with them!) We are still collecting in sponsorship money and will let you know the total amount raised as soon as we can.

Aspire Charity

The 'red, white and blue' uniform day for the Aspire Charity (where we are sponsoring Fran Wallis to swim the channel) raised £102. Thank you everyone! We wish Fran and her team the very best of luck with their challenge this summer.

Sports Day

It's our Sports Days this Tuesday (3rd July). Early Years sports are in the morning and years 1-6 in the afternoon. Please do join us if you can. Information about the events has been sent out by separate letter; please do let us know if you didn't receive a letter or if you need any further information. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible to cheer the children on!



Inset Day

Just a reminder that Friday 6th July is an inset day for staff and so the school is closed to children. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 9th July (except for the year 6 children that are on their transition week—enjoy your time at secondary school!)

Attendance

A huge well done to Year 5 for holding on to Reggie Bear for another week with their attendance of 98.4% - well done Birch class!

Whole school attendance remains at 96.4% - let's work to get it a little higher by the end of the year!

News from around the school

Nursery: The children have really enjoyed learning about different modes of transport—they were great at sorting how they travelled, ‘planes go in the sky, boats go in water’.

This week we have Sports Day on Tuesday morning so, with this in mind, we are going to be exploring different sports in Cherry Class. Which is our favourite sport? What sports do we know? Do we play any sports outside of school? All of these questions and more will be answered next week!

Please remember that Friday 6th July is our Staff Development Day so school will be closed to the children.

Star: Jurica for trying really hard during our group activity of labelling

Year R: Oak Class had a very busy week last week! We had lots of fun and the school trip to Wingham highlighted to us the wonderful progress that the children have made over the course of this year. Well done to everyone!

This week on Tuesday we will be taking part in our Early Years Sports morning; the event starts at 9.30am on the field and we look forward to our families joining us for this.

Our learning in literacy this week will continue to focus around dinosaurs. The children have been very enthusiastic about this topic! In maths we will be exploring problem solving through subtraction.

Don't forget that Friday 6th July is an inset day and so the school will be closed to all pupils. Enjoy the long weekend!

Star: Isabell for setting a good example to others

Year 1: This week in Maths we will be working with money—identifying coins, solving word problems and ‘buying’ items from our class shop. In Literacy we will be writing poems about our favourite animals.

Don't forget that it is Sports Day this week (Tuesday 3rd). Please remember to pack a hat for your child and to put sun cream on them in the morning.

I want to finish by saying a huge well done to everyone for their fantastic effort in the Phonics Screening Test; we are so proud of the progress the children have made. If you have any questions about your child's score, please feel free to come and talk to me one day after school.

Star: Tommy for being a superstar with all his learning this week.

Well done Willow Class for winning ‘Walk on Wednesday’ again this week!

Year 2: This week in maths we will be practising our column addition and subtraction skills. Towards the end of the week our calculations will involve carrying and borrowing to help us solve a range of word problems. In arithmetic we will be focusing on multiplying a two digit number by a one digit number.

Our focus in literacy this week will be instructions. We will be imagining we are a zoo keeper having to leave a set of instructions on how to look after a lion. In order to support our writing we will be spending some time looking at the key features of instructions and recapping how to use imperative verbs.

May I also take this opportunity to remind you that Sports Day will be taking place on Tuesday afternoon; please ensure your child has a PE kit in school on this day, preferably with their correct coloured T-shirt.

Star: Marina for her excellent behaviour for learning this week

Year 3: This week in Beech class the children will be developing their knowledge and understanding of Predators by using the iPads to research different species. The children will be using their research to create an information leaflet.

In maths the children will be developing their knowledge and understanding of money. The children will be solving money word problems as well as learning how to make different totals / amounts.

Just a reminder we have sports day this week, therefore please ensure your child has their sun hat as well as sun cream.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you.

Star: Alfie for his brilliant, positive, ‘can do’ attitude when learning how to tell the time.

Year 4: This week in Literacy we will be choosing one of the predators we saw at Wingham Wildlife Park and using ICT to gather interesting information about it. We will then use these facts to write an information leaflet. Then, in our Maths lessons, we will be taking part in one of termly assessments. We will also be developing our knowledge of time, especially how to use the 24 hour clock. In our topic lessons we will be learning about different carnivorous plants. We will be gathering information from a range of sources including video clips and web pages and creating our own informative posters.

Sports Day is on Tuesday—we would love for you to come and watch us take part in some fun sporting activities. Could children please make sure they have a full PE kit in school, including a sun hat.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you.

Star: Natalya for working incredibly hard this week, in particular when persevering with some tricky problems in maths.

Year 5: This week in English we will be continuing our work on adverts, putting in place everything we learnt last week and creating a polished version of our adverts for an imaginary beauty product. In SPaG we will be working on punctuation for parenthesis. Maths this week will be on the area of compound shapes and arithmetic will be revising written methods for multiplication. We will be linking our e-safety and English work this week when looking at how photo altering can be used to sell a product and then considering the positives and negatives of this.

As well as all of this, it is another busy week for year 5 with the following happening:

Monday 2nd July: Nathan Timothy song writing workshop

Tuesday 3rd July: Sports Day (pm)

Wednesday 4th July: Clarinet performance to parents and the school (11am)

Friday 6th July: School shut to children due to INSET day

Star: Lucy S for always having a sensible attitude in all that she does.

Year 6: This week in Sycamore class is the week of our plays! On Monday we are performing to Nursery up to year 4. On Wednesday we have the 1.15pm performance and the 6pm performance. All tickets that have been requested have been sent out. We are expecting nearly 100 people for the evening performance!

Tuesday is Sports Day so please make sure that your child has the appropriate kit, sun protection and water.

On Thursday it is the transition day for the children going to Highsted, Borden and Fulston Manor. Friday is a staff training day for the adults so the school is closed to the children.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Star: Julia K (year 4!) for getting through to 2 finals at the Aspire games despite being 2 years younger than most of her competitors!