



KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

Week Beginning Monday 30th April 2018

Sycamore	The adults in year 6 would like to praise Nicholas and Arsenas for their work when it comes to helping others. They have both been excellent role models when in the classroom. They would also like to praise Ryan, Victoria and Chelsey for their efforts in PE this week. Writer of the Week: Fin for her amazing persuasive letter Maths Master: LJ for his work with angles this week
Birch	The teachers in year 5 would like to praise Aston and Daniel for all their excellent work on Roman numerals this week. They would also like to praise Chelsie for persevering with her green marking. A big thank you goes to Emma and Oliwia K for the job they helped with last Wednesday. Writer of the Week: Mae for presenting her research on Tudor objects so neatly Maths Master: Olivia H for completing a tricky puzzle on Roman numerals so well.
Ash	The teachers in year 4 would like to praise Julia and Macie for their fantastic diagrams of an Anglo-Saxon settlement. Well done to Evie for her improved concentration and confidence during maths. Writer of the Week: Roberts for writing an excellent non-chronological report on the Anglo-Saxons Maths Master: Liam for converting units of measurement involving weight, capacity and height
Beech	Miss Searle and Mrs Pullen would like to praise Skittles and Crème Egg table for their resilience in Literacy when learning about relative clauses. Miss Searle would also like to say a massive thank you to the year 5 girls: Rosie, Ramaya, Mae, Elizabeth and Freya for adding codes to some AR books for the year 3 classroom. Writer of the Week: Ellia for her cold task based on 'How to make a longboat' Maths Master: Noushafarin for applying her knowledge of the grid and bus stop method to solve tricky problems.
Maple	Mrs Bond and Mrs Woolley would like to praise the whole class for the efforts they put into their practise SATs papers this week; their scores were amazing! Writer of the Week: Addison for the huge improvements in his handwriting this week Maths Master: Jack and Ronnie H for scoring full marks in their maths tests this week!
Willow	The teachers in Willow class would like to praise the whole class for a fantastic week of work! Writer of the Week: Leia for writing fantastic sentences using the power of 3 AND commas Maths Master: Alex for working extremely hard when dividing this week
Oak	The teachers in Oak Class would like to praise and thank Blake, Chase and Lauren for working hard to write their names. Writer of the Week: Ella-Rose for trying hard to form cursive letters in her writing Maths Master: Aksel for correctly matching coins to amounts
Cherry	The teachers in Cherry Class would like to praise Lauren, Amelia, Bella, Jeremiah and Zachary for being great role models this week during our tidy up times. Praise also goes to Lucy and Louie for trying hard with their numbers this week and to Regan and Rory for helping with the days of the week! Writer of the Week: Louie for trying really hard to write his name this week! Maths Master: Darcy for ordering numbers 1-10 all by himself!

Diary:

Monday 30th April

2pm Parent sharing event—
Nursery

Girls' football match vs Greenfields (away)

Monday 1st May

Staff vs Kids Rounders match.
Refreshments available (after school)

Wednesday 2nd May

9am Willow Class Assembly

Thursday 3rd May

Tribal Challenge Day

2pm & 6pm Esafety presentation to parents

Friday 4th May

9.15am Year R parent open session

Tuesday 8th May

Class photographs today!

Kings Wood Residential parent talk from 5pm (school hall)

Staff vs Children Rounders Match

Hopefully (weather permitting!) the Rounders match will be taking place after school from 3.15pm. Please come along and support the teams. We will be having a barbeque too so please come and join us. If the weather is poor, we will reschedule the event and let you know via text message.

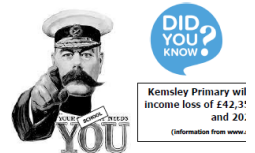
The Snack Shack

As you are hopefully aware, the Snack Shack is up and running! Every Friday morning in terms 5 and 6, there are milkshakes available for 20p each at break time. On Friday afternoons the previous week's 'Stars' are in the Shack cooking up some delicious treats. The school gate opens at 2.45pm each Friday afternoon now so that you can come and buy whatever has been baked!

The profits that we made from selling hot chocolate in terms 3 and 4 has already been put to good use to sponsor some PE vests for our sports teams. The Handball team wore these vests for the first time on Monday at a tournament at Greenfields. They looked fantastic! Keep an eye on the blog to see a picture!

Additional funding

Hopefully you will received one of our flyers this week regarding potential extra funding for the school. If you are in receipt of any of the benefits listed, please return the sheet to the school. We may be able to claim extra funding. Thank you very much.



The school is dedicated to meeting the needs of However, continued cuts will result in us being

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you very much to everyone that has returned the parent questionnaire; we are very grateful for all your feedback. We will publish an overview of the feedback next week.

Don't forget:: Milkshakes are on sale at the Snack Shack every Friday morning break time for 20p each. The Snack Shack is open every Friday from 2.45pm so you can buy whatever has been baked by our Stars of the Week!

Attendance

Well done to Oak Class this week for getting the highest attendance at 99.3%! Superstars! We hope you enjoy your week with Reggie.

Well done to everyone as our whole school attendance is back up to 96.8%. Keep up the great work!

News from around the school

Nursery: We had a super week learning about mermaids, creating a mermaid comb and making hand print mermaids! We also enjoyed our home learning challenge and found out lots about different types of fish!

This week we are going to be focusing our learning around the story book, 'Sharing and Shell' by Julia Donaldson. We will be thinking about the characters, setting and order of the story. We will be thinking about how we could be super sharers, looking at features of a beach using Google Earth and listening to some sea shore music. We will also be exploring length and measuring different objects.

Thank you for returning the beach interest form; please let us know if you are able to join us on the trip if you haven't already done so.

Also, if your child is spending another year in Nursery from September and you would like to change your sessions, please can you let us know as soon as possible and by Wednesday 2nd May at the very latest. Thank you!

Star: George for settling in so well to Cherry class; terrific tidying, super sitting and being a great Explorosaur!

Year 1: We had lots of fun last week reading different books by Julia Donaldson and Oliver Jeffers. If you have read any books by these authors at home, have a read and see if you like them as much as the ones we read at school.

This week in Numeracy we will be looking at place value and ordering 2 and 3 digit numbers. In Literacy we will be writing non chronological reports about different fruits and vegetables.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our assembly on Wednesday 1st May; the children have been working very hard and we are very proud of them.

Star: Bailey for amazing work all week in phonics and literacy

Year 3: This week in Beech class the children will be using their knowledge of adding and subtracting to solve tricky problems. The children will be using the column method throughout the week to develop and secure their understanding of the difficult method.

In literacy the children will be creating and matching rhyming words, creating personification based on images as well as creating their own poem based on the Vikings.

If you have any questions or queries, please ask an adult. Thank you!

Star: Elly for her fantastic effort in all subjects and for always trying her best.

Year 5: Next week in English we will be working on persuasive letters imagining we are Anne Boleyn, writing a letter trying to persuade the Chief Executioner not to kill us. As part of this work we will look at the features of this genre, in particular emotive language and cause and effect conjunctions.

In SPaG we will be revising our knowledge of subordinate clauses and subordinating conjunctions. In maths it will all be about angles! Lessons will include looking at the different types of angle and also estimating, measuring and drawing angles across a range of sizes. In arithmetic we will be recapping percentages.

Our topic lessons will be music and art and we will be drawing miniature Tudor portraits and learning a song about Henry VIII and his wives which we hope to perform as a class.

Dates for your diary:

Year 5 express event—Tuesday 22nd May at 2.15pm. We hope to see you there.

Class photo—Tuesday 8th May

Star: Triston for his great improvement in reading.

Reception: This week our learning will be based around stories around fish, such as 'Fidgety Fish' and 'Tiddler'. We will also be using books and IT to find out information about fish. In maths we will be revisiting shape and we will also be recording information using graphs and tally charts.

In PE we will be continuing our gymnastics sessions and in PSED we will be exploring the importance of good hygiene.

Hopefully the weather will also allow us to continue to plant some more vegetables and flowers in our nature area and hopefully we will see the completion of our new development in the garden. We look forward to sharing some photos with you on Tapestry to show you how we will be using it in our learning.

Star: Emily for her enthusiasm in gymnastics in PE

Year 2: This week in literacy we will be listening to the chapter of 'The Secret Garden' where Mary Lennox discovers the wooden door to the garden. We will be writing a setting description using our five senses, a diary entry and a narrative from the point where the door is discovered.

In maths this week we will be focusing on fractions. We will be recapping what is meant by half and a quarter. We will then use this knowledge to help us find fractions of amounts. We will be carrying out practical activities as well as solving word problems in different contexts.

On Wednesday of this week we will be having an art day. We will be using line and tone to draw shapes, patterns and textures, creating a piece of art from pressed flowers and creating a collage.

Star: Ronnie J for taking the initiative to independently learn his 2 times tables at home.

Year 4: This week in Literacy we will be writing our own poems describing a Viking raid on an Anglo-Saxon church. In Maths we will be developing our knowledge of multiplication and division. We will then be applying these skills to answer a range of reasoning problems. In our topic lessons we will be looking at Anglo-Saxon religion and writing an entry for the Saxon Chronicle detailing the introduction of Christianity to Britain.

This term PE will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday. However, can children please make sure they have their PE kit in school everyday, including plimsolls or trainers.

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

Star: Kamil for his superb reasoning during our history investigation on Sutton Hoo.

Year 6: This week in Sycamore class, we will be researching Tudor Crime and Punishment. As there were no official police, what was a crime and how were people punished? We will also discuss the comparisons between punishments in Tudor times and the modern day.

In Maths our SATs revision focus takes us to area, perimeter and algebra. We will be looking at ways of tackling these problems, previous questions in these areas and ways of remembering the success criteria.

PE this week will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and French will take place on Monday.

Any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to ask.

Star: Callum for his efforts across all of his learning, especially Literacy.