

# Ambleside Academy Newsletter

## Weekly Update

**Reception**—This week in Reception we have explored our forest area. We talked about the changes we see over autumn. We collected some leaves and looked carefully at them and the differences in the colours. We brought them into the classroom to create some artwork with our natural resources.

**Year 1**— We have had another impressive week in Year One! We have settled into our new classes really sensibly and shown that we can manage change very maturely. We are happy because we still get to see all of our friends twice a day on the playground at play-times and every time we do an activity as a year group, for example when we do PE! We have settled beautifully and are continuing to work hard in all of our learning.

**Year 2**— This week, we used the iPads to draw pictures of our friends. By following a set of instructions, we managed to use different tools in an app to sketch our friends faces, making sure we had the right proportions and colours to make them unique.

**Year 3** — This week the children were able to show off their times table skills for our first stay and learn. They also started looking at their new text in writing which is Taming a Wolly Mammoth.

**Year 4**— During the last few P.E. lessons, Class 13 have been creating different movements to represent a range of water actions e.g., waves crashing. We have learnt how to work in unison and in canon and as a group we have created a motif to bring together these movements and techniques.

**Year 5**— This week year 5 have been conducting research in their science lesson. They have been asked to research the life spans of different mammals and investigating why their life span is the way it is.

**Dolphin Pod**—Dolphin Pod 2 have been looking at the 7 continents and the 5 oceans of the world. We have used globes to find out where they all are. We have also learnt songs to help us remember the order of the continents from largest to smallest and where the oceans are.

*If you would like to see the pictures of what the children have been up to please go to our Ambleside Academy site, then click on the news tab and click on Academy News.*

## Christmas Performances

Christmas performance will all have two show times. You will be able to come and watch at 10am or 2pm on the day of your child's performance. Only two people allowed to watch per child due to space in the hall.



## Important Dates

**Friday 8th December**—Festive Friday

**Monday 11th December**—EYFS Christmas Performance

**Wednesday 13th December**—Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance

**Friday 15th December**—Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance

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**Monday 18th December**—Christmas Fayre on school playground, 4pm –5.15pm

**Tuesday 19th December**—Year 5 and 6 Christmas Performance

**Wednesday 20th December**—Panto in school, Christmas Jumper Day Christmas, Christmas Dinner Day

**Wednesday 20th December**—Last day of Term

**Thursday 4th January**—Back to school!



## Christmas Fayre

This year our Christmas Fayre will take place on the playground on Monday 18th December. You will have an opportunity to buy an item your child has made as well as visit other stores selling things like cakes, hot chocolate, light up items and much more. If you'd like to run a stall— you are very welcome to. It's a £5 donation please. Let the office staff or Ms Bromley know.

## Festive Fridays

On the next 3 Fridays, the children can wear their party clothes, special outfits, celebration styles, and festive sparkle! This is of course completely optional, so it's also fine for children to wear school uniform as usual.

