

Ambleside Academy Newsletter

Weekly Update

Nursery— This week we have been making the most of the lovely weather, and have been doing lots of outside learning. We have been building sandcastles in our sandpit, making sure the plants have plenty of water and making our own dens. We have continued to enjoy our weekly Bikeability sessions too.

Reception—There's been a lot of excitement in reception since the butterflies have broke out of their chrysalis'. We have heard some interesting discussions happening amongst the children and many have been even more inspired to create their symmetrical butterfly paintings in the event of these transformations

Year 1— we have dived into the fantastic world of fractions. We've looked at splitting wholes into halves and halves into quarters. As always with fractions this has allowed us to play some engaging games that the children have loved. It is always brilliant to see the children discover and enjoy a new element of maths. Especially one that means they will now be able to equally share out parts of a juicy orange!

Year 2— For Design and Technology, we built and tested a simple vehicle. We remembered the vocabulary for wheels and axles.

Year 3 — This week year 3 have started their new science topic, light. We started off by looking at the purpose of light and how it helps us to see. The children made light boxes to investigate this.

Year 4— Year 4 are learning about money in maths. We are learning how to convert pounds to pence, compare money, estimate and calculate and how to problem solve using money. It would be really useful if parents could support their children at home by using money in real life situations.

Year 5— This week, our Year 5 classes have been to Into University to take part in a focus day all about lifecycles – which is their current Science topic. We took part in a carousel where we found out about: different animals gestation periods; skeletons and muscles; genetics and we made comparisons between the life cycles of a human and a frog.

Year 6— To prepare for our Reading SATs paper, we have been focussing on a variety of reading skills as well as practising how to fluently read with pace, by echo reading and stop and swap activities.

Dolphin Pod— Dolphin Pod 2 We have been looking at Food and nutrition, how food affects our senses. We learnt what the five senses are and we can identify flavours of food. We can explain why our bodies need vitamins and minerals.

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.

Important Dates

Week Beginning 13th May—Year 6 KS2 SATs week

Tuesday 21st May—Diversity Day

Week Beginning 27th May—Half Term. All children off for this week.

Monday 3rd June 2024— Back to school for the start of Summer 2.

Tuesday 11th June and Wednesday 12th June —Year 1 Phonics Screening check and Year 2 Re-Screen check

Tuesday 11th June—Class 13 Year 4 Multiplication Check

Wednesday 12th June—Class 14 Year 4 Multiplication Check

Thursday 13th June—Class 15 Year 4 Multiplication Check

Week Beginning 10th June—Money Matters Week

Friday 14th June—Year 2 Show off booklet Assessment Week

Week Beginning 17th June—Drowning Prevention Week

Monday June 17th—RNLI visit for year 1 and 2

Tuesday 18th June—RNLI visits Year 3 and 4.

Wednesday 19th June—RNLI visit years 5 and 6

Friday 21st June—Year 2 Sleepover

Wednesday 3rd July—Class Swap Day

Thursday 4th July—Inset day (No children in school)

Friday 5th July—Inset Day (No children in school)

Week Beginning July 15th—Careers Week

Friday 19th July—School Reports Out

Friday 26th July—Last Day in school before we break up for Summer



Good luck Year 6

Next week is KS2 SATs week for our year 6 children. They have been working extremely hard this year to all achieve their absolute best. We wish them all the luck in the world—you can smash it!

