

Ambleside Academy Newsletter

Weekly Update

Nursery— This week, we have had some exciting new arrivals in Nursery – we have got our very own hungry caterpillars! We have observed them closely and commented on their appearance, saying “they are so tiny” and “they need to eat lots of food and get big”. We can’t wait to watch them grow and change more in the coming weeks.

Reception— This week in Reception we have been using loose parts to create our very own minibeasts. We are currently investigating lots of different creatures which live outside in our garden.

Year 1— The children have had a flying return in their first week back after Easter. Great effort Year 1! This week has seen the start of a new topic for our Ambleside Authors in Training programme: character descriptions. The pupils have said hello to everyone’s favourite amber dragon, Zog. We have already had some acting, understanding of what makes a character interesting, and some fantastic handwriting. The Year 1 team are looking forward to what good ideas the children will use when they get to sprinkle some sparkle on their writing.

Year 2— In maths this week, we have been focussing on measuring in grams. We have estimated and used balancing scales to measure the mass of objects.

Year 3 — This week year 3 have got stuck into their science lesson. We have been looking at plants and this week conducted an experiment looking at how plants absorb water.

Year 4— In P.E. our focus is now striking and fielding games. To be able to compete in games such as cricket and rounders, we must first learn some key skills. Today, Class 13 have been learning how to throw and catch a small ball accurately and at pace.

Year 5— This week in year 5, we have been preparing for the upcoming Road Safety Quiz. We have looked at some scenarios about how to be safe when out walking in the streets and completed a Kahoot quiz to test our new knowledge.

Year 6— This week we have been working in pairs to tackle problem solving questions.

Dolphin Pod— This week, Children from Dolphin Pod One have had the opportunity to visit and participate in a sensory play session. They enjoyed the coach journey, looking at the sky and the clouds through the glass roof. During the session, the children engaged with lots of different sensory equipment like colourful fibre optic lights, bubble lamp and interactive projector. Some children enjoyed the ball pit, whilst others liked the climbing wall. The children were superstars and did well during this exciting outing. Well done Dolphins!

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

Wednesday 24th April—Year 5 Mini Police

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Thursday 25th April—2pm SATs parents drop-in meeting

Wednesday 1st May—Year 5 Mini police

Thursday 2nd May— 3.30pm Parent Meeting on supporting reading at home.

Monday 6th May—Bank holiday school closed.

Tuesday 7th May— Class 16 trip to Into University.

Wednesday 8th May—Class 17 trip to Into University

Thursday 9th May—Class 18 trip to Into University

Week Beginning 13th May—Year 6 KS2 SATs week

Tuesday 21st May—Diversity Day

Challenge



This half term please look out for a sticker on your child that looks like the above. Please, ask your child why they have been awarded with their challenge sticker.

We do everything we can to prepare the children in our care for a complex, uncertain and constantly changing world, where they will go on to live, grow and work. By strengthening their resilience and academic capacity, we aim to equip them with the skills to face life’s hurdles head-on.

This is an important term for our year 6 children in school as they face one of the biggest challenges in primary school, their year 6 KS2 SATS week is coming up this half term. They have already shown great resilience in challenging themselves to improve and deepen their knowledge further in preparation for their SATs.

We see the children in the rest of the school challenge themselves all the time in subjects across the curriculum, they work extremely hard to understand and gain new knowledge.

We also know that children challenge themselves in many other ways in areas like sport at home so please send a dojo to your class teacher with how they are challenging themselves at home as they would love to hear about this.