

Ambleside Academy Newsletter

Weekly Update

Nursery- This week in Nursery, we have been drawing pictures from our story 'Owl Babies'. Some of us have written labels, captions or even sentences to accompany our work. Fantastic work Cubs!

Reception— This week in reception we have enjoyed being active outside and practising our bike riding. We put on our helmets and follow the track around making sure to look where we are going to avoid obstacles. We are practising our balancing skills and some of us can even ride a bike with pedals!

Year 1— Me and my shadow! The children have worked on taking photos of shadows during ICT lessons. Using their abilities with the tablet's photography app, they looked for and identified light sources. They even created their own. It has been an enlightening experience! Making shapes with hands was a firm favourite.

Year 2— In computing, Year 2 drew people using shapes on the Sketches app. We discussed how using shapes can make it easier when drawing people moving.

Year 3 — This week year 3 have been doing some super sentence editing. The handwriting in year 3 is looking fabulous! We have also been making seesaws in DT and looking at the mechanism and their features.

Year 4— Thursday morning began with our 'Stay and Learn' session, where parents are able to join us learning our timetables. We had so much fun playing games such as bingo, snap and the flash-card challenge. These games really help us to learn all of the timetables up to 12 x 12.

Year 5— In DT, we have been thinking hard about the question: Which fabric is ideal for creating a functional and hardwearing lunch bag? After investigating the durability of a range of fabrics, we were curious to know if it was possible to change the fabric's properties. Here we are applying a coat of melted beeswax to the surface of cotton to explore this.

Year 6— In RE, we looked at the concept of Agape in the Christian faith. We freeze framed different readings from the Bible and talked about how Jesus was teaching about eternal love.

Dolphin Pod— During P.E. sessions this term, Children in Pod 1 have been practising their balancing skills and learning different gymnastic rolls. Children have been using balancing beams and climbing equipment to support their gross motor development.

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

29th January—National Story Telling Week

31st January—Year 5 Mini Police

1st February—Whole school stay and learn 9am –9.30am

Week Beginning 5th February—Children's Mental Health Week

5th February—Year 3 Rome Experience

12th February— 16th February—Half Term

19th February—Inset Day (No children in school)

20th February—Children back in school for the start of Spring 2nd term.

Stay and Learn



9am –9.30am on Thursday 1st February

We hope you will join us this Thursday to read a book with your child and take part with story time in your child's class.

Whilst in class there will be some breakfast items for you to have if you wish and donations for these are very welcome.

National Story Telling Week is Next Week!

Please remember our story telling competition!

All you need to do is choose your favourite book and find an exciting page or chapter. Ask a grown up at home or a teacher to film you reading it aloud in your best storytelling voice and upload it to your Class Dojo portfolio! The best storytelling video entries will use exciting character voices, intonation and expression... And most importantly, will be fun to make and listen to! **A winner from each class will be chosen on Friday 2nd February.** The deadline for entries will be Thursday 1st February at 5pm... So let's get Storytelling!