

Ambleside Academy Newsletter

Weekly Update

Nursery— This week Nursery have been taking on lots of different job roles, including doctors, nurses, builders and teachers. Many of us have enjoyed using the shaving foam ‘cement’ to help with our duplo constructions, whilst others have enjoyed taking on the role of a teacher – taking the register, giving our certificates and creating their own ID badges.

Reception—The EYFS cohort recently embarked on an educational trip to Wollaton Park in Nottingham. The day commenced with a nature walk around the lake, where the children observed and discussed the wildlife, including the deer that inhabit the park. This was followed by physical development activities, as the children engaged with small sports equipment, promoting both coordination and teamwork. The exploration continued in the wooded area behind Wollaton Hall, where the children were encouraged to discover and inquire about the natural environment. To integrate art into our outdoor learning, the children conducted observational drawings of Wollaton Hall, enhancing their attention to detail and appreciation of architecture.

Year 1— We are revisiting biology. In these lessons we discuss animal types and living things. We look at what makes them the same and what makes them different. It is a lovely exercise for the children over the summer weeks as they reinforce knowledge that they have learned, and they can apply it to their everyday world.

Year 2—This week, Year 2 have been cooking some food in DT. We have used bridge and crimp holds to chop up some vegetables and some bread to make ourselves pitta chips, a salad, and tortilla quiches. Everybody did such a super job at making sure we used the equipment safely too! We had so much fun.

Year 3 — This week year 3 have taken part in their DT unit looking at food and nutrition. We looked at what impact food can have on our body and mind. The children enjoyed discussing this and creating some healthy, delicious dishes.

Year 4—This week, Year 4 have continued their investigation into sound in their Science lessons. They looked at the meaning of ‘pitch’ and ‘volume’ and how these are represented on a Sine wave. To test different pitches and volumes, they used a djembe drum, hitting it in different places to create different pitches, and with different forces to create different volumes.

Year 5—This week, Mr Anderson organised a gymnastics workshop for Year 5 children. The children practiced making various shapes with their body and doing tumble rolls on the landing mats and returning to an upright position. They absolutely loved it.

Year 6—Year 6 have been working hard in rehearsals for our end of year musical, Pantastic. We have been working on our acting, singing and dancing skills! We are looking forward to our performances in a few weeks.

Dolphin Pod— Dolphin Pod 2 have been learning all about First Aid. They have been introduced to basic First Aid techniques, such as applying bandages, recognising common injuries and knowing how to seek help from emergency services.

Important Dates

Wednesday 3rd July—Class Swap Day

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

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

Monday 8th July—2pm Reception Sports Day

Monday 8th July—Nursery Garden Sports Day

Tuesday 9th July— 9.15am Year 5 Sports Day

Tuesday 9th July—11am Year 3 Sports Day

Tuesday 9th July—2pm Year 1 Sports Day

Wednesday 10th July—9.15am Year 6 Sports Day

Wednesday 10th July—11am Year 4 Sports Day

Wednesday 10th July—2pm Year 2 Sports Day

Wednesday 10th July—Year 1 Trip to Whitepost Farm

Thursday 11th July and Friday 12th July— Year 2 Rushcliffe Country Park Science Trip .

Week Beginning July 15th—Careers Week

Wednesday 17th July—Wheelgate Nursery Family Trip

Thursday 18th July— Year 6 Alton Towers

Friday 19th July—School Reports Out

Monday 22nd July— Year 6 Performance 10am and 2pm

Thursday 25th July—Year 6 Leavers Party

Friday 26th July—Year 6 Leavers Assembly

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

Monday 2nd September—Children back at school for the Autumn Term



New Classes will be announced on Tuesday!

The children will be informed of their new classes on the afternoon of Tuesday 2nd July and will bring a slip home stating which class they are in and their class teachers name. Your child’s class has been chosen carefully thinking about how they learn and relationships with others. We know moving into a new year group and class can be both daunting and exciting so please talk with your child and support them in being ready for a new challenge.

Class Swap Day

On Wednesday 3rd July, they will spend the morning in their new classes and get to know their new teaching team. Please bring them to their usual class and we will move them to their new class once the registers have been taken. The children will be back in their usual class before lunch time.