

Ambleside Academy Newsletter

Weekly Update

Reception— Thursday 10th October was ‘Hello Yellow’ day. It’s a Young Minds charity day in which we discuss children’s mental health and promote awareness of the matter. To do this, everyone has been encouraged to wear something yellow. As you can imagine, in Reception, it leads to a very bright classroom! The children and the staff have had such fun showing off our buttery yellows, our mad mustards, our laughing lemons, and our brilliant blondes! As an event, it’s a great opportunity to teach our little ones about the importance of mental health and to understand that they are valued as individuals. It can be a tricky topic at this age, however we’ve had some lovely contributions from our brilliant buttercups!

Year 1— This week we have been learning about mechanism in D&T. We have been making our own moving pictures with previous lessons on weaving and sliders to help us create the moving picture. This has been super fun!

Year 2— Our PE focus this half term has been ball skills. This week, we have been practising how to throw a ball at a target. We experimented with different ways of throwing the ball through the hoop (target) and discussed which way was the easiest.

Year 3 — In English we have been learning how to find a fossil in our non-fiction information text. We have been learning all about the features of an information text, ready to write our own next week! We know that information texts have a clear title, so the reader knows what they are reading and learning about, an introduction, to introduce the topic, subheadings to organise our paragraphs clearly and a fun ‘Did you know?’ fact. We love sharing our knowledge in the fun fact section!

Year 4— Year 4 have been cooking this week as part of their Design and Technology curriculum. They rolled dough to make pizza, kneaded dough to make bread rolls and grated, cooked and blended vegetables to make soup! After showing off their super cooking skills, they all tasted their creations and it was thumbs up all round!

Year 5— This week, we have completed some activities for Hello Yellow Day. The children took part in a circle game where they gave each other positive compliments. It was lovely to hear so many kind words.

Year 6—In Year 6, we have celebrated Hello Yellow Day. We discussed the importance of mental health, and we’ve learnt how to articulate our emotions. We have created a chatterbox game to help us discuss strategies for improving our mental health. We then designed our own mental health superheroes.

Dolphin Pod— This week in Dolphin Pod 2 we have been using our iPads to take photos.

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

Important Dates

Friday 18th October—Show Racism the Red Card

Friday 18th October - Last day in school before the October half term break

Monday 4th November—Frist day back in school after October half Term

Monday 4th November 2024 2.45pm in the school hall—
How to teach Reading at Ambleside with Miss Townsend (for all parents)

Monday 11th November 2024 2.45pm in the school hall—
How to teach Maths at Ambleside with Miss Tawiah (for all parents)

Monday 18th November 2024 2.45pm in the school hall—
How to teach Phonics at Ambleside with Miss Pellington

Thursday 21st November 2024—Individual photos and an opportunity for Sibling Photos

Photos—21st November 2024

It will run differently this year for sibling photos so please read below.

In the school day all children will have their individual photos taken on the 21st November so please remember to send your child in school uniform.

If you would like a sibling photo then please come to the sports hall **between 8am and 9am**. This is for siblings within school and for any pictures you would like together with siblings that do not attend school. Please come down the main drive and up the steps to the sports hall to have sibling photos taken. **Reminder this will be the only opportunity throughout the day for sibling photos.**

Show Racism the Red Card

As Friday 18th November 2024 is Show Racism the Red Card day the children will have an assembly about this on Monday with Ms Bromley. As we already wear red across school, children can come in their usual uniform or with an additional item of clothing/accessories.

