

# Ambleside Academy Newsletter

## Weekly Update

**Nursery**— This week, we have been creating different pictures using natural objects, such as stones, logs, and sticks. Some of us created people, whilst others created a “sun”, “star”, “dog” and “house”. Well done creative Cubs!

**Reception**— Week 7 and we’ve finally reached the end of the first half term. Well done to Classes 1, 2 & 3 who have worked so hard these past few weeks. Starting Foundation is like diving into the sea, it can be daunting at first but once you’re in, you don’t want to come out! So then, it is very apt that we’ve had a special visit from the staff at our local RNLI this week. It is always a fantastic and educational visit. The children all sat amazingly as a whole year group and we learned about water safety, not getting lost on busy beaches, and recognising lifeguards and their uniform. The RNLI team always do a great job and we’re lucky to have them in discussing such an important subject. The children had great fun and a brilliant treat to finish off before the half term holiday.

**Year 1**— In year 1 this week we been enhancing our ball skills in PE. We have been learning to roll the ball and pass with both our hands and one handed. We have had so much fun going to the sports hall. We even played a game called the bean game which we love!

**Year 2**— In music, we have been learning conducting cues and how to follow crescendo and decrescendo when playing an instrument.

**Year 3** — We have had another amazing week in Year 3! We have continued working hard in all our lessons. We loved our Writing lessons this week, we have been using sprinkle some sparkle to improve our writing for the fossil text. The children have loved reciting the text and making up their own fabulous sparkly ideas.

**Year 4**— Class 13 have thoroughly enjoyed their structured story time this term. They have been reading ‘The Butterfly Lion’ by Michael Morpurgo. They have shown a great depth of understanding by being able to answer a range of comprehension questions in detail.

**Year 5**— This week in year 5, we have been exploring line work. We have worked on using shapes to represent the natural world. Children used the stimulus given to create an enlarged drawing which focused on the skill of using a pencil to create lines.

**Year 6**— This week in year 6, the children have been working on playing chords in music on the keyboard. They have also worked on their rhythm and ability to follow a tune using handbells.

**Dolphin Pod**— As an adult read the story ‘We’re going on a Bear Hunt’, the children explored the different sensory trays which represent each section of the story – grass, river, mud, forest, snowstorm and cave.

***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 - Last day in school before the October half term break

Monday 4th November—First 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)

Tuesday 12th November 2024— Times Table Rock Star Day  
(Dress like a rock star)

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

Monday 25th November 2024 2.45pm in the school hall—  
How to teach Writing at Ambleside with Miss Townsend.

Monday 2nd December 2.45pm in the school hall—How to teach Science at Ambleside with Mrs Ling.

## Parent Workshops

Next half term we are putting on a variety of workshops to show you how we teach different areas of learning here at Ambleside. These workshops will be great for all parents to attend and will help you apply the same methods at home and understand how we teach your child/children in school. All of the dates for the workshops are highlighted in purple above. If you would like to attend these then please come to school for 2.45pm on these days and the workshops will run from the school hall.

## Please stay safe this Halloween

Don’t go trick or treating alone—stay with your group. Only visit areas where there are street lights and where houses have decorations ups. Be careful when crossing roads in the dark and ensure you only wear flame resistant costumes.

