



KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

W/C: Monday 27th November 2023

Sycamore	Mrs Bond, Mrs Melrose & Mrs Pullen would like to praise Orla and Benjamin for helping out with the KS1 production this week. They would also like to praise Dolly and Ella-Rose for always being ready to learn. A huge thank you goes to Emily, Isabell and Blake for always helping to tidy the hall. Writer of the Week: Isabell, for demonstrating resilience when writing a rhyming poem on tsunamis. Maths Master: Andrew, for his work on multiplying fractions this week. Star of the Week: Emily, for always showing enthusiasm in everything she does. She is an excellent role model to her peers. Dojo Champion: Ella-Rose
Birch	Miss Bright, Miss Pengelly and Mrs Stan would like to praise Marvelous, Kara, Poppy and Poppy-Reese for their valuable contributions to class discussions. Well done to Siddie, Mason and Lois for being a great team working together this week. Thank you to Amber and Daniels for being so helpful around the classroom. Writer of the Week: James, for finding the features of a narrative and sharing them with the class. Maths Master: William, for confidently using his times table knowledge to find equivalent fractions to be able to add mixed numbers. Star of the Week: Amelia, for her positive approach to new challenges and working hard to improve her presentation. Dojo Champion: Mason
Ash	Well done to Miles, Rory, Sonny, Lauren, Kelsie, Joyzer, Oliver, Lilley, George H., Shanjana, Damian, Harley, Summer, Charlie, Maisey, Ayobami, Eli and Ella for playing TT Rockstars this week! We have seen such an improvement in your times table knowledge when you play TT Rockstars, well done! Writer of the Week: George H., for his incredible non-chronological report on mountains. Maths Master: Willano, for his hard work solving multiplication and division problems this week. Star of the Week: Eli, for trying really hard to follow adult instructions this week. Dojo Champion: Oscar
Beech	This week the adults in Year 3 would like to praise the whole class for their fantastic behaviour and attitude towards the timetable changes. We understand how tricky it can be when different adults are in the room - you handled it so well! Writer of the Week: Ella, for her fantastic GAPS assessment. Maths Master: Theo, for his great explanation of multiplication. Star of the Week: Isaac, for his kindness towards everyone. Dojo Champion: Harley
Maple	This week Miss Hardy, Mrs DH, Miss Filipovic and Miss Spencley would like to praise Harry B, Harper, Mollie, Logan, Cristian, Tabitha, Kara, Max, Dele, James, Bode and Harry P who all got 25/25 on their times table test this week! We would also like to offer further praise to Ronald, Darcey and Sophie-Leigh who have been working incredibly hard to rehearse their lines for the nativity this week. Writer of the Week: Taylor, for writing her plan for her letter using lots of adjectives. Maths Master: Max, for working hard to add two-digit numbers together using base 10. Star of the Week: Emma, for showing resilience when completing our spelling and spag test this week trying her best with her answers. Dojo Champion: Mia
Willow	Mrs Hardiman and Mrs Earney would like to praise Darasimi, Rosie, Amber, Esther and Belkisa for getting up on the stage in rehearsals and representing Willow Class in the very first song of the Nativity. We would like to praise Ernie for having an amazing week. Writer of the Week: Grace, for working hard to recall clear animal facts for our non-chronological report. Maths Master: Oscar W, for working hard in our 2-D and 3-D shape unit. Star of the Week: Avana-Mae, for showing great focus and effort in all tasks this week. Dojo Champion: Amber
Oak	Mrs Donaghy and Mrs Gaffney would like to praise River, Tia, Harrison and Siyana for challenging themselves to complete extra learning activities. We would also like to thank Timeea, Ella and Polly-Anna, who always include other children in their games when someone is feeling left out. Writer of the Week: Jaxon, for writing words independently. Great work Jaxon! Maths Master: Polly-Anna, for her amazing work on one more and one less. Star of the Week: Isabella, for trying her best every day and <i>always</i> knowing what a digraph is. Dojo Champion: Sofia
Cherry	Thank you to Indie's mum and Mrs Steadman for the donated games and toys for our children. Thank you! Writer of the Week: Lana, for writing her name beautifully and clearly on her heart map. Maths Master: Lottie, for creating patterns and modelling these to her friends! Star of the Week: Mason, for being a fantastic member of cherry class and helping his friends to tidy up.

Coming up:
Mon 4th December
 Christmas Jamboree at Highsted – Choir Trip

Tues 5th December
 EYFS & KS1 Nativity 1:45pm

Weds 6th December
 NHS Flu Immunisations YR-6

Weds 6th December
 Non-school uniform day for donations

Weds 6th December
 EYFS & KS1 Panto

Weds 7th December
 EYFS & KS1 Nativity 9:15am & 1:45pm

Message from the Head Teacher:

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Staff,

Happy 1st December everyone! Where has November gone? This is one of the most exciting times of the school year, with so many incredible events taking place this term. This week, our school choir performed at Kemsley Village Hall. They sang absolutely beautifully and represented our school wonderfully. Well done! Thank you also to Mrs Fletcher, Mrs Pullen and Mrs Brijman for preparing the children for this performance at choir club. Next week, members of the choir will be taking part in the Christmas Jamboree at Highsted Grammar School! I would also like to extend praise to Year N, Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 who have been working so hard rehearsing their play! We cannot wait to see your performance children! Well done also to all of the adults supporting with this, especially Miss Hardy who is directing the entire Nativity!

Next week, the Nativity performances are as follows:

- Tuesday 5th December - EYFS & KS1 Nativity performance to parents – 1:45pm
- Thursday 7th December – EYFS & KS1 Nativity performance to parents – 9:15am & 1:45pm

Please ensure you book your tickets on Arbor – there are only two tickets per family, to ensure all parents and carers have an opportunity to see their child perform. Please ensure you only book for one performance – if additional performances are booked these tickets will be cancelled.

On Wednesday, we have a very busy day! NHS flu immunisations for YR-Y6 are taking place, as is the EYFS and KS1 pantomime, 'Treasure Island!'. On Friday, KS2 will be performing at a carol service at Holy Trinity Church from 10:30am. Parents and carers are also welcome to attend this. Also, on Friday, the school discos will be taking place at the following times:

- YN – 2:15pm – 3pm
- YR, Y1 and Y2 – 3:30pm-4:15pm
- Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 4:30pm – 5:15pm

Attendance is currently at 95.26 and the classes who have won Reggie this week with 98.89% attendance is Year R & Year 1! Well done!

Presentation Ted goes to Kerry-Anne for outstanding presentation in her English book. Well done!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, Miss Homer, Headteacher

News from around Kemsley Primary Academy

Year N:

This week in Cherry class we have been looking at love through the story 'Guess how much I love you'. We created our own heart maps drawing pictures of those people and things that we love in our lives. We also made a batch of playdough, adding the ingredients and following instructions with adult support. We have introduced patterns this week and have been getting hands on creating our own patterns with cubes, counters and natural objects. We have also been exploring rhyming in phonics, reading our favourite rhyming stories.

Next week we will be looking at the story 'Stick man' as we start to get into the festive spirit! We will be having lots of Christmas activities to get stuck into. We will also have our nativity performances to look forward to as well as the school disco. We can't wait for another amazing week of learning in Cherry Class!

Year R

This week, Oak class have really enjoyed learning about weddings and scarecrows. There have been lots of activities based around these ideas. The making of the class scarecrow was a particular highlight!

Next week, we will be very busy preparing for our Nativity performance and putting the finishing touches to this. We will also be looking at a new story called, 'Lunch at 10 Pomegranate Street', by Felicitia Sala. This story looks at street parties and recipes for a variety of foods from around the world. We will be learning about how recipes are made and why people like different foods. In our Maths learning we will be talking about four sided shapes and discussing where we see squares and rectangles in the environment.

Year 1:

This week in Willow Class we have been doing some amazing learning. In Maths we have been learning all about 2d shapes and 3d shapes. We have been working hard to recognise the names of 3d shapes and match them with a visual shaped object. In Literacy we have been learning and writing about animals and their characteristics. We have been labelling the parts of a dog, mouse, and giraffe. We have all learnt some amazing facts about each animal as well.

Our science experiment was extremely fun - we had to identify the best material to build a house with! We listened to the story of the 3 little pigs followed by building our own houses out of the 3 materials, straw, brick, and wood. Our conclusion was unanimous - brick was the best suited material to use! In RE we have been learning all about advent and what it means. We found out some Christian traditions to advent and what started to use of a chocolate advent calendar.

We have been practicing lots for our Nativity next week and cannot wait for you to all come and watch it!

Please can I ask that you keep bringing in your reading records every day, you are doing so well. Could I also ask parents/carers to help your child with their spellings every week please. Thank you. 😊

Year 2:

This week we have been really busy practising for our nativity. We have been wearing our costumes and using our expression when reading our lines. We also put our class Christmas tree up and decorated it and were visited by our elves on the shelf! We can't wait to see what mischief they get up to this year!

In English we have been writing letters as Flat Stanley. We described how he travelled in an envelope and used our adjectives (describing words) and conjunctions (connecting words) in our sentences. In Maths we have been adding 2-digit numbers within 100. We have been able to use base 10 and number lines to help us find our answers.

In Science we have been exploring what cat eyes are on roads and we will be making these to lead up to our playhouses. In Geography we went on a scavenger hunt around school trying to find different countries and colouring them in on our map - we had lots of fun!

Please can we ask that you continue to send your children in with their reading folders each day. Also, next week is our nativity week! We will be performing to the school on Monday and then to parents/carers on Tuesday and Thursday. We are so excited for you to see all our hard work!

Year 3:

Next week, in Year 3 we are going to continue our learning of multiplication and division in mathematics, focussing on the four times table. In literacy, we are exploring poetry and will be attempting to write our own poem that rhymes! In Science, we will be completing our assessments. In DT, we are going to make our pop-up books. In music we are going to continue practising our Christmas songs.

Year 4:

Next week in DT we'll be baking croissants with fillings of our choice. After they have been baked and cooled down, children will be able to take their baked goods home for tasting! In literacy, we will be looking at debates and preparing ourselves for writing our own arguments. In maths, we will be going into our final week of exploring multiplication and division facts with a range of times tables.

Year 5:

Next week in Year 5, we will be using our writing skills to create narratives. We will be learning how to subtract different fractions in maths, including mixed numbers. In Science, we will be developing our knowledge of solids, liquids and gases by filtering, sieving and evaporating materials. In Geography, we will compare the Mississippi River and the River Severn. In DT, we will decorate and evaluate our marble runs - they have done a fantastic job creating them this week!

Take care and have a lovely weekend.

Year 6:

Next week in literacy we will be writing an explanation text on how a tsunami is formed. We will be using the iPads to help us research tsunamis. We will then put the process into chronological order before writing up our explanation text.

In maths we will be using our fraction knowledge from last week to help us find fractions of amounts. Towards the end of the week, we will be carrying out an assessment on our fraction knowledge.

Our science lesson will include an end of unit assessment on our topic 'Animals Including Humans.' The children will be able to demonstrate all the new skills and knowledge they have learnt this term.

Please can you keep checking Class Dojo and Arbor over the next couple of weeks for important dates coming up.

Week 6 – w/c Monday 4th December

Monday 4th December – Christmas Jamboree at Highsted – Choir Trip

Tuesday 5th December - EYFS & KS1 Nativity performance to parents – 1:45pm

Wednesday 6th December – NHS Flu Vaccinations YR-Y6

Wednesday 6th December – Non-school uniform day – Christmas Fayre Donations

Wednesday 6th December – EYFS & KS1 Pantomime – Treasure Island

Thursday 7th December – EYFS & KS1 Nativity performance to parents – 9:15am & 1:45pm

Friday 8th December – KS2 Carol Service at church 10:30am

Friday 8th December – School Discos:

- YN – 2:15pm – 3pm
- YR, Y1 and Y2 – 3:30pm-4:15pm
- Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 4:30pm – 5:15pm

Week 7 – w/c Monday 11th December – Christmas Week

Tuesday 12th December – Choir Performance at Clock Tower Hall (10:30am-11:30am)

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Fayre! (3:15pm-4:30pm)

Thursday 14th December – Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Pantomime at Swallows

Friday 15th December Christingle Service 2:15pm at School

PLEASE KEEP CHECKING THIS PAGE AND DOJO FOR FURTHER UPDATES ON SCHOOL EVENTS. THANK YOU.