



KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

W/C: Monday 2nd October 2023

Sycamore	Mrs Bond, Mrs Melrose and Mrs Pullen would like to praise all the children who have been attending early morning catch up sessions with the Year 6 adults this term. All the children are working exceptionally hard and applying their new skills to their independent learning. They would also like to praise Danni and Henry for always being kind to others. Writer of the Week: Blake, for trying hard to include a range of punctuation in his writing. Maths Master: Wale, for demonstrating his understanding of factors, multiples, prime numbers and prime factors to solve some tricky word problems. Star of the Week: Chase, for working hard, both at home and at school, in order to achieve her personalised targets. Dojo Champion: Wilburn
Birch	Miss Bright, Miss Pengelly and Mrs Stan would like to praise Daniels, Theo, Siddie and Jurica for consistently being ready to start their learning and being good role models in the classroom. Well done to Archie, Lee and Freddie for their fantastic performance of our class poem. A shout out also goes to Dimi for being kind and helpful. Writer of the Week: Archie, for his understanding and enthusiasm for poetry. Maths Master: Louie, for his perseverance when using the inverse and checking his answers. Star of the Week: Finley, for his positive attitude towards his learning. Dojo Champion: Jurica
Ash	Mrs Brijman and Mrs Fletcher would like to praise the whole class for helping Mrs Fletcher whilst Mrs Brijman has been away. All the children have been amazing. Writer of the Week: Lauren, for her great diary entry from the point of view of a Roman Soldier. Maths Master: Kelsie, for great resilience in adding and subtracting four digit numbers. Star of the Week: Freya, for always trying her best and showing great determination during PE this week. Dojo Champion: Maisie
Beech	The adults in Year 3 would like to praise Madalena, Peter, Isaac, Freya and Maceo for their hard work this week. They would also like to say well done to Aiyla, Morgan, Maceo, Paige and Archie S for their lovely diary entries. Miss Pengelly would like to say a big well done to Dayon for making some lovely artwork for the Eco display. Writer of the Week: Bobby, for his incredible independently written research in art. Maths Master: Noah, for his extraordinary explanation of adding whilst crossing 10. Star of the Week: Jonjoe, for his enthusiasm towards his learning. Dojo Champion: Victoria
Maple	This week the adults in Maple Class would like to praise Bella, Sophie and Bailey-Jay for trying hard during phonics this week with Mrs Donaghy. We would like to thank Annabelle, Kara and Max for helping to tidy up the classroom at the end of each lesson. We would like to extend praise to Darcey and Frankie for taking part in all our lessons this week, we are very proud of you! Writer of the Week: Sophie, for beautiful handwriting in all her writing. Maths Master: Ayomide, for identifying number bonds to 10. Star of the Week: Annabelle, for always following the classroom rules and helping her friends. Dojo Champion: Bella
Willow	Firstly, Mr Webb and Mrs Earney would like to individually praise Teddy for his absolutely fantastic resilience and determination during our end of block assessment in Maths. We would also like to thank both Amber and Veronika for their fantastic sentences in our writing this week on our new book, 'The Lion Inside', talking about how Lion and Mouse might feel! Writer of the Week: Darasimi, for her fantastic handwriting in Literacy and for crafting some fantastic feelings sentences all about Lion and Mouse! Maths Master: Teddy, for exceptional determination during a tricky end-of-block assessment. Star of the Week: Zayn, for his excellent listening in all areas of our learning in Willow Class, and for being a continually resilient learner! Dojo Champion: Belkisa
Oak	This week, Mrs Ambrose, Mrs Gaffney and Miss Laming would like to give praise to Sofia, Kit, Lucy, Jaxon and Harrison for trying very hard with their letter formation during our phonics writing we were very impressed. We would also like to give lots of thanks to Ella who spoiled the adults this week with some very yummy biscuits. Writer of the Week: Paris, for correctly using a finger space to separate letters when carrying out letter formation. Maths Master: Lucy, for using the correct vocabulary of heavy and light to compare weight. Star of the Week: Sofia, for always making the right choice and showing kindness to others Dojo Champion: Grace
Cherry	A big thank you to Franky and his family for taking care of Todd the Teddy this week! He had a lovely weekend with Franky and it was wonderful to share this with the class. Writer of the Week: Lottie, for fantastic mark making using chalk pens in the classroom. Well done! Maths Master: Franky, for helping to sort out our different shapes into groups. Well done Franky! Star of the Week: Blake, for making fantastic choices this week and helping to tidy up. Well done Blake!

Coming up:

Sun 2nd Oct – Tues 31st Oct
Black History Month

W/C Mon 9th Oct
Express Events Week

Weds 18th Oct
Harvest Festival 2:15pm
(Parents Welcome)

Fri 20th Oct
Wear Red Day
(Anti-Racism Day)

Mon 23rd Oct – Fri 27th Oct
Half-Term (School closed)

Mon 30th Oct
Staff Inset Day (School Closed to all pupils)

Tues 31st Oct
Term 2 Begins for Pupils

Message from the Head Teacher:

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Staff,

Black History Month

This week, Miss Bright launched Black History Month, through a fantastic assembly on Monday. Miss Bright has put together exciting activities

which throughout the month of October, each year group will learn about an inspirational person linked to their History/Science learning:

Y1: Floella Benjamin & Vanessa Nakate (Seasonal Changes)

Y2: Dianne Abbott, Dame Kelly Holmes, Rose Hudson-Wilkin & Sir Trevor McDonald (Local History)

Y3: Jacob Lawrence (Flint, Fire & Forage)

Y4: Lucius Septimius Severus (Rampaging Romans)

Y5: Exploring how black people were 'free' to live their lives in the Tudor times (Off with her head!)

Y6: Explore the influence and aid of African Americans in WWII (Word War II)

I would like to thank Miss Bright for all her hard work organising such fantastic learning opportunities. At the end of the term, we shall be celebrating and sharing what each class has learned in a whole school assembly.

Express Events

Next week, we are delighted to be inviting our parents and carers in to spend time with us in school at our Express Events. Please see below for details of when your child's express event is taking place. We look forward to seeing you there!

Health & Safety

Recently, there have been reports of fleas in some of our classrooms so at short notice these classrooms have been deep cleaned this evening. Next week, the rest of our classrooms shall be deep cleaned as a precautionary measure.

Attendance stands at 94.99%. Well done to Year R for winning attendance of the week with 98.15%! Congratulations Oak Class!

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Miss Homer, Headteacher

News from around Kemsley Primary Academy

Year N:

This week in Cherry class we have been learning all about homes. Through the book 'All kinds of Homes', we have explored different types of houses people can live in and features of these homes that are similar and different to our own homes. This has been linked into our classroom provision with building homes using construction materials and using printing tools to create a picture of our own home. We have also continued our learning on instrumental sounds, creating our own noise makers and exploring using instruments to change and adapt sounds. In maths, we have been continuing to explore sorting in different ways.

Next week we will be exploring our feelings through the story 'The Colour Monster'. We will be learning to identify and name our feelings through colours. We will also be creating our own colour monsters using coloured playdough and loose parts. We will be exploring colour mixing in the creative area!

Please can I also remind you that our Year N Express Event will be taking place on Tuesday 10th at 2pm.

Year R

This week within Oak Class we have been developing our comparative skills within our Maths learning, looking at colour, size and weight. Using the vocabulary of different, heavy and light. Within our topic learning this week the children have been looking at how we can be a good friend, identifying emotions and things we can do to be kind to others.

Next week will be our Express event held on 11th October at 2pm. It would be fantastic to see as many of our parents and carers attend to see just how amazing your little ones are doing within their learning. But please don't worry if you can't as we will have many other opportunities throughout the year.

A huge well done to our little Oaks this week who were fantastic at bringing in their reading books! We can really tell that your little ones are engaging with reading at home. Thank you so much to our fantastic parents and carers for supporting them.

Our little Oaks would also like to send a huge thank you to our amazing Office Coordinator, Mrs Urquhart, who made some wonderful sound log slices for the children to explore and make words.

Year 1:

Five wonderful weeks have flown by for us all in Willow Class! We've been striving for amazing things, beginning our new story, 'The Lion Inside', in our Literacy, exploring feelings and the concept of empathy through drama. Next week, we will be beginning our work on our diary entry outcome, writing entries as Mouse and wanting to roar that little bit louder for the other animals!

In Maths, we'll be beginning addition and multiplication, exploring a multitude of challenging problems relating to addition and subtraction, as well as continuing to explore the number line.

In our wider curriculum in Music, we'll be learning Cauliflowers Fluffy, all ready for our Harvest celebrations, as well as continuing to delve into how we can appreciate the past in our History learning. Finally, in PSHRE, we'll continue to explore how we can value one another, be ourselves and the idea of rewards and responsibilities.

Please can I also remind you that our Year 1 Express Event will be taking place on Thursday 12th October at 2pm in the school hall.

Year 2:

This week in English we have been immersing ourselves in our story 'The Town and Country Mouse'. We have been looking at the order of the events in the story and have been retelling it using a set number of sentences. In Maths we have moved on to subtraction and addition, where we have been looking at number bonds to 20 and learning about fact families.

In Science we have been looking about the materials of playground toys in preparation for making our own toys next week. In history we have been learning more about our local area, exploring key features and the history of different places we may have visited.

Please be reminded that next week it is our express event on Wednesday 11th October morning at 9am. We look forward to seeing you there!

Year 3:

Next week we are going to be carrying on learning addition and subtraction in maths. We will be focussing on column addition and subtraction. In Literacy, we are going to create a Stone Age bookmark and then write instructions to help others make one. In Science, we are going to be looking at soils and dirt - exploring what soil is made from. In History, we are going to be replicating Stone Age cave paintings. In art, we are going to continue learning about Jacob Lawrence and will have a go at replicating his artwork.

Our Express Event is Friday 13th October at 2pm - we look forward to seeing you all there!

Year 4:

Next week in Literacy, we will be writing our informal letters based on the life of a Roman soldier. We will plan these carefully before writing them. In maths, we'll be looking at subtracting 4-digit numbers as well as estimating answers.

Next week is very exciting, as we have our express event on Monday! The express event will start at 9am and finish at 10am. We will have some exciting activities all to do with our topic about the Romans. We will also have our literacy and maths books on the stage for you to look at all the amazing learning that we have done. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Please can I also remind you that our Year 4 Express Event will be taking place on Monday 9th October at 9:00am in the school hall.

Year 5:

Next week in Year 5, we will continue reading 'Treason' and be writing our own poems about King Henry VIII's wives. In maths we will be learning about multiples and factors. In science we will be learning about thermal insulators and conductors. In our history lesson, we will be learning about Francis Drake. Please be reminded that our PE day is Tuesday.

Please can I also remind you that our Year 5 Express Event will be taking place on Thursday 12th October at 9:00am in the school hall.

Year 6:

This week in literacy we will be moving on from our work on informal letters and will be working towards writing a setting description on the concentration camp Bruno has seen through the curious window in his bedroom. At the beginning of the week, we will be identifying and generating descriptive and figurative language to support our writing.

In maths we will be continuing with our work on division, using our new knowledge of the long-written method of division to solve word problems and then multi-step word problems. At the end of the week, we will put our learning to the test in order to solve SATs reasoning questions involving division.

In our topic lesson we will be researching Anne Frank, finding out why she was famous and how she survived the Holocaust of WWII. We will then choose how to present our findings.

Please can I also remind you that our Year 6 Express Event will be taking place on Friday 13th October at 9:00am in the school hall. Please come along to take part in some WWII artwork. You will also have the opportunity to look through the work your child has been completing this term in their books.

Term Dates – Term 1

Week 6 – W/C Monday 9th October

- Black History Month - Saturday 1st October - Monday 31st October
- Express Events Week (TBC)

Express Events – Term 1

Monday 9th October - Year 4 at 9:00am

Tuesday 10th October - Nursery at 2:00pm

Wednesday 11th October - Year 2 at 9:00am

Wednesday 11th October - Year R at 2:00pm

Thursday 12th October - Year 5 at 9:00am

Thursday 12th October - Year 1 at 2:00pm

Friday 13th October - Year 6 at 9:00am

Friday 13th October - Year 3 at 2:00pm

Week 7 – W/C Monday 16th October

- Black History Month - Saturday 1st October - Monday 31st October
- Harvest Assembly – Wednesday 18th October at 2:15pm (parents invited)

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

Term Dates – Term 2

Monday 30th October – Staff Inset Day 2 (School Closed to Pupils)

Tuesday 31st October – Term 2 Begins for Pupils