

KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

W/C: Monday 9th October 2023

Sycamore	Mrs Bond, Mrs Melrose and Mrs Pullen would like to praise Lauren and Paige for sorting and tidying the school library during their spare time this week. They would also like to praise Isabell for taking on her role of Digital Leader so diligently, Wale for his improved presentation across the curriculum and Oliver D and Matthew for their enthusiasm and help during our ICT lessons this term. Writer of the Week: Rylee for independently using emotive language in his informal letter this week. Maths Master: Dolly for demonstrating resilience when using the long-written method of division. Star of the Week: Japheth for showing kindness and understanding when supporting his peers in P.E. this week. Dojo Champion: Danni
Birch	Miss Bright, Miss Pengelly and Mrs Stan would like to say a big well done to our footballers, Theo, Freddie, Jazneil and Siddie! We are so proud of you for representing our school and showing good sportsmanship. We would also like to praise Dimi, Caitlyn, Miley, William and Theo for their effort to create interesting rhyming couplets. Writer of the Week: Amelia, for her wonderful rhyming couplets. Maths Master: Eliss, for her mathematical reasoning this week. Star of the Week: Miley, for being a kind and helpful classmate. Dojo Champion: Siddie
Ash	Mrs. Brijman and Mrs. Fletcher would like to praise Freya, Charlie, George H. and Ayobami for working really hard to write down ideas for an informal letter. We would also like to thank Lauren for helping Miss Pengelly teach French this week. Finally, a big thank you goes to Eli and Isabelle who are always very polite to the children and adults in our class. Writer of the Week: Damian, for thinking carefully bout what to include in his letter to Flavia. Maths Master: Summer, for working really hard to practice her times tables this week. Star of the Week: Harley, for incredible effort in all of our lessons this week. Dojo Champion: Miles
Beech	This week the adults in Year 3 would like to praise Amber, Dayon, Madalena and Kerryann for their helpful suggestions in our shared writing session. They would also like to say a huge well done to Victoria, Emilia, Bobby and Jonjoe for their continued hard work with their handwriting. Writer of the Week: David and Maceo, for their exceptional paired write! Maths Master: Archie M, for his excellent work on number bonds. Star of the Week: Jaden, for his continued hard work across every subject area. Dojo Champion: Noah
Maple	This week the adults in Maple Class would like to praise Kara, Annabelle, Mollie and Harper for being helpful all week, carrying items from our express event and tidying the classroom. We would also like to thank Logan for helping to set up the tables for our event during breakfast club! We would like to extend praise to Ronald and Ayomide for giving all learning their best try all week. Writer of the Week: Oladele, for adding detail to his descriptive writing to include the sounds and smells of the town. Maths Master: Erin, for completing her maths work, trying her best whilst solving addition questions. Star of the Week: Darcey, for always coming in with a smile and trying really hard with her phonics this week. Dojo Champion: Harry G
Willow	Firstly, Mr Webb and Mrs Earney would like to individually praise Freddie Sh and Troy for their absolutely wonderful writing in Literacy this week, crafting some excellent sentences and remembering their capital letters! Also, we would like to praise both Mollie and Chester for their wonderful and creative windsocks in Science, they have gone above and beyond to make something amazing! Writer of the Week: Troy, for fantastic sentence construction, when creating sentences using capital letters for names. Maths Master: Joel, for continued resilience in his learning, putting in terrific amounts of effort and determination when starting our new unit of Addition and Subtraction. Star of the Week: Avana-Mae, for setting a wonderful example during carpet time, always sitting beautifully, listening wonderfully and showing that she is ready to learn! Dojo Champion: Bethany
Oak	This week within Oak class Mrs Ambrose, Mrs Gaffney and Miss Laming would like to give praise to Oliver S, Siyana, Pearl, Harrison and Shivani for trying so hard within your phonics letter writing, we have had some very tricky letters to learn and write this week. We would also like to extend our praise to Jaxson, Tia, Paulsamuel and Polly-Anna for sorting objects into sets. Writer of the Week: Kit, for his fantastic letter formation when writing the letter 'u' this week. Maths Master: Oliver W, for placing numbers 1-10 into the correct order. Star of the Week: Lacey, for trying extremely hard with her word pronunciation. Dojo Champion: Jaxon, who consistently tries his best to be a good friend to others and make the right choices.
Cherry	We would like to say a huge well done to all of our Little Cherries for another fantastic week. Thank you to all of our parents who joined us for our Express Event! Writer of the Week: Mason for using lots of different mark making tools to create invisible paintings outside on our garden mark making wall. Maths Master: Domonic for counting some pretend birthday cake candles up to 12 in recite.

Coming up:

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

Weds 18th Oct Harvest Festival 2:15pm

(Parents Welcome – email the office to let us know if you will be attending)

Fri 20th Oct Wear Red Day

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,

After much consideration, Mrs Ambrose and Miss Laming have decided that they shall now be taking their maternity leave a little earlier than expected. This means that their final day with us, will now be Friday 13th October 2023. Mrs Donaghy will be covering Mrs Ambrose's maternity leave from Monday 16th October 2023 until the end of this academic year (July 2024). Mrs Gaffney will also continue to teach in Oak Class and support Mrs Donaghy in her role as Teaching Assistant. I am sure you will join me in thanking and wishing Mrs Ambrose and Miss Laming the very best.

Next term, we shall also be warmly welcoming Mrs Dallamore-Hynd to our team, who will be supporting in her role as Teaching Assistant, in Year 2. Mrs Dallamore-Hynd is a highly experienced TA who has worked across both KS1 and KS2 and has also covered in EYFS. She has a passion for dance and is also incredibly creative! We look forward to her joining us after half-term.

A tremendous well done to Oli B, Rylee, Henry, Theo H, Freddie W, Jazneil, Siddie, Joyzer and Ronnie V who represented Kemsley at Regis Manor's football match on Wednesday 11th October! You all displayed excellent sportsmanship and showed incredible resilience. We are so very proud of you all. A huge thank you to Miss Spenceley for coaching the team and to Miss Nijman for accompanying the team to the match. Well done for winning 2-1 too!

Clocks Changing – Raising Awareness for children to be seen in the Autumn/Winter months

Star of the Week: Rosabelle for being an amazing and helpful friend to all peers in cherry class. Well done Rosa.

GloWeek 2023 will run from the 30th October – 3rd November

This is your opportunity to get involved to raise awareness of **being seen**, **not hurt** when the days become shorter in the winter months. As the nights draw in, it's important that we all stay safe by being seen so we want to create the brightest GloWeek ever. See this link for more information: https://childbraininjurytrust.org.uk/campaigns/gloweek/ Thank you for sharing Mrs Hunter!

On Wednesday 18th October at 2:15pm, we shall be celebrating our harvest festival. If you would like to join us for this, please ensure you email office@kemsley-academy.org to let us know that you will be joining us for this assembly. Thank you to everyone who has donated to our Harvest Festival so far! Attendance stands at 94.95%. Well done to Year R & Year 6 for winning attendance of the week with 98.22%! Congratulations Oak Class & Sycamore 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 focusing on feelings and emotions we have explored a range of activities that have been inspired by the book "The colour monster", we have had our amazing express event thank you to all the parents and carers that come and joined their beautiful children exploring the classroom.

Year R

This week within Oak class the children have been carrying out fantastic phonics, learning new sounds and segmenting cvc words.

We have also been exploring sets within our Maths learning, looking at objects and how they are the same, different and what makes them a set. This is a fun activity that can be easily carried out at home. Ask the children what sets go together around the house? For example, a dinner plate, knife and fork.

Within topic this week the children have been learning all about black history month. We carried out activities that saw the children explore different skin colours, future dreams and how to be a good friend and person to help all feel included and equal.

We would like to say a big thank you to all that attended our very first express event. The children had a fantastic time sharing their learning with you, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

This will be my last praise and thank you that I give before myself and Miss Laming go off to have our little ones. We would like to say a huge thank you to all our wonderful parents and carers. It has been an absolute pleasure helping your little ones take their very first steps into education and cannot quite believe what a fantastic class they are. Each and everyone of the children have settled so well into their learning journey and we could not be prouder of them, and thankful to you all for your support and input into their development. We wish them all every bit of success and know they will continue to thrive under the watchful eye of the incredible Mrs Gaffney and Mrs Donaghy.

Year 1

Our first term is almost at an end in Willow Class, but we have had some excellent learning in our class this week! Throughout the week, we have made some spectacular windsocks and have created some amazing self-portraits as part of our Art outcome.

Next week, we'll holding our Harvest celebrations, which Willow Class are definitely excited about! We've been learning our song, Cauliflowers Fluffy, in preparation.

In Maths, we'll be continuing addition and subtraction, exploring a wide range of problems around fact families, as well as considering how we can use our number bonds.

In our wider curriculum in Science, we'll be carrying out some important scientific assessments.

Year 2

This week in Maple class we had a lovely time with all of you at our express event! We enjoyed sharing our learning about the local area and I especially learnt a lot from some of you who have lived in Kemsley for many years, so thank you for teaching me too!

In science we completed our learning about playground toys by making our very own, which was lots of fun. In topic we learnt about Holy Trinity church and the history of the building.

Next week we will complete our learning in all topics. We will be having a treat on Friday afternoon and enjoy the autumnal and Halloween festivities having a choosing time where we will paint, colouring and great autumn crafts. It is also the harvest festival on Wednesday and we will be sharing the arts and crafts we complete in the assembly.

Year 3:

Next week is our last week of Term 1 and it really has flown by! I have really enjoyed getting to know all the children and look forward to next term! Next week, is going to be a rather creative week for us. In Literacy we will be making Stone Age-style bookmarks, using natural dyes (such as berries, herbs and spices). In Art, we will be learning more about Jacob Lawrence and will be adding colour to our drawings. In History, we will be making Stone Age cave paintings. In maths we are continuing our learning about shapes, angles and lines and will be learning some new key words: horizontal and vertical! Have a lovely weekend - see you all next week!

Year 4:

I would also like to say a special thank you to the children who represented Kemsley in our football match against Regis Manor on Wednesday. You were incredible both on and off the pitch, showing incredible sportsmanship and teamwork. Well done to all of you!

Next week in Literacy we will be looking at the Roman emperor Septimus Severus and writing an explanation about what makes a good emperor. In maths we will be doing some more practice of solving addition and subtraction using 4-digit number. For science, we are completing a science quiz to see how much we have learnt about states of matter.

<u>Year 5:</u>

Next week in Year 5, we will finish reading *Treason* and be writing our own poems based on Black History Month. In maths we will be learning about prime numbers, cube numbers and square numbers. In science we will be setting up our own investigations about thermal insulators and conductors. In our history lesson, we will be learning about the renaissance and how it has impacted us.

Please be reminded that our PE day is Tuesday and we welcome any donations for the Harvest Festival on Wednesday.

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This week in literacy we will be moving on from our informal letter writing and will be focusing on our new genre, a setting description. We will be using our class text 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' to help us gather descriptive language in order to write a setting description of the concentration camp Auschwitz.

In maths we will be using our mental calculations to estimate and then reason known facts. Towards the end of the week, we will be putting all our learning to the test in an end of term mini assessment.

Home learning this week will be in the form of the long-written method of division. In order to support your child in completing their home learning there is a video on Class Dojo explaining how to use this method to answer questions.

On Wednesday, 18th October we have our Harvest Festival. Parents are welcome to join us in the school hall for the occasion. Thank you to those parents who have sent in contributions for Harvest Festival. If you would still like to send in items, please send them in with your child from now until Wednesday.

Finally, if you have not already done so, please can you send me a message to give permission for your child to watch the film version of 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' on the last day of term.

Term Dates – Term 1

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