



# KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

W/C: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023

<b>Sycamore</b>	<p>Mrs Bond, Mrs Melrose &amp; Mrs Pullen would like to praise the whole class for their exceptional behaviour during European Languages Day. They would additionally like to praise Paige, Katie, Chloe and Ella-Rose for their participation during singing practice in our music lesson this week, and Wale, Chase, Lexi and Dolly for their excellent glockenspiel performance when playing along to 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Emily, for using emotive language in her informal letter as an evacuee in WWII.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Oliver D, for his excellent score in his practice SATs arithmetic paper.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Oliver B, for the focus and concentration he has displayed in all areas of his learning this week.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Japheth.</p>
<b>Birch</b>	<p>Miss Bright, Miss Pengelly and Mrs Stan would like to praise all of Year 5 for an amazing European Languages Day. Well done for the respect that you showed to the different countries and for the interest that you took to learn more and ask questions. We have also been really impressed with your use of vocabulary this week and finding synonyms and antonyms for words in our class text, 'Treason'.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Theo, for his understanding of biographical features and his contributions to the class write.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> James, for adding with exchanges and explaining his method.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Poppy, for consistently trying her best in reading sessions.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Dimi</p>
<b>Ash</b>	<p>Mrs. Brijman and Mrs. Fletcher would like to praise Eli, Sianna, Daisy and Maisey for writing some incredible plans for their newspaper reports. We would also like to praise Freya, George H., Damian, Lauren, Miles and Kelsie for their fantastic work as a Roman battalion and re-enacting their formations. Well done to you!</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Sonny, for his improved handwriting and careful planning of sentences.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Rory, for always challenging himself to complete difficult reasoning problems.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Lilley, for kindness towards her peers and the adults every single day.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> George H.</p>
<b>Beech</b>	<p>This week Miss Donald, Miss Bennett and Miss Spenceley would like to say a massive well done to the whole of Year 3 for their excellent language skills on European Language Day. They would also like to praise Theo, Freya, Aiyla and Paige for their non-stop can-do attitude.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Freddie, for his excellent story map.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Effy, for her resilience in maths.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Michelle, for being a brilliant new addition to our class!</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Aiyla</p>
<b>Maple</b>	<p>This week the adults in Maple Class would like to praise Harry P and Tabitha for showing an excellent attitude to learning. We would like to thank Taylor, Bailey-Jay, Ivy, Harry G, Georgie, Mia, Sophie and Bella for taking part in some activities outside the classroom this week.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Kara, for writing describing words of what we can do in the town for our advert.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Ivy, for showing resilience when being given a challenging task.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Tabitha, for super behaviour in all lessons ensuring she does her best with all her work.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Bailey-Jay.</p>
<b>Willow</b>	<p>Mr Webb and Mrs Earney would like to praise the whole of Year 1 for their fantastic resilience during European Day of Languages and going all around Europe on their wonderful adventures!</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Samuel, for his fantastic use of adjectives when describing our main character to help build our character description.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Grace, for her fantastic resilience during a tricky topic in Maths of fewer, more and same.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Arthur, for being a spectacular role model for Willow Class, always sitting beautifully, always listening wonderfully and giving 100% in all of his learning.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Rosie.</p>
<b>Oak</b>	<p>The adults in Oak class have been so impressed with the children's enthusiasm to mark make and practice their letter writing skills this week, we found it incredibly hard to choose just one writer. We would like to give lots of praise to River, Luna, Ava, Vlada, Timeea, Kevin, Elaine and Harrison for their super story recall of 'Funny Bones', using story mats to help them label their characters.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Tia, for her use of a story mat to label characters from this week's story, 'Funny bones'.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Kit, for his recognition of written numbers.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Siyanna, for always having a welcoming smile and showing kindness to others.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Elaine, who always uses beautiful manners within class.</p>
<b>Cherry</b>	<p>Special thank you goes to Holly and her family for looking after Todd the Teddy, this weekend!</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Indie, for forming the letters in her name in our sandy autumnal tough tray. Well done Indie!</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Blake, for challenging himself with his friend Alice at the sorting station in our maths area. He was able to match and sort the puzzle with his friend. Well done Blake!</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Holly, for taking Todd the teddy home and giving him a fabulous weekend! Holly displays all of our class values and we are so proud of her!</p>

**Coming up:**

**Sun 2nd Oct – Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Oct**  
Black History Month

**W/C Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Express Events Week

**W/C Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Harvest Festival (TBC)

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Wear Red Day  
(Anti-Racism Day)

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Half-Term (School closed)

**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Staff Inset Day (School Closed to all pupils)

**Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Oct**  
Term 2 Begins for Pupils

### Message from the Head Teacher:

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Staff,

Firstly, I would like to say a tremendous well done to all the children and staff for such a fabulous European Language Day! The children were incredibly sensible when moving around the school, from class to class and thoroughly enjoyed all the activities that were being led by each of the teachers. A special thank you goes to Mrs Bond for organising such a special day for the school! Thank you!

Miss Spenceley and Miss Homer would also like award praise and thank you to all the members of KS2 football club who displayed outstanding listening and good teamwork. Special praise goes to Theo (Y5), who has shown truly commendable skill, talent and resilience in the position of goalkeeper and Henry (Y6), Oliver B (Y6) and Rylee (Y6) for showing excellent encouragement to others and modelling some fantastic football skills.

### Celebration

Effy (Y3) and Indie (YN), who both attend Bourne Gymnastics group, have been working hard to earn their next badges! Well done to Effy for earning her Grade 5 Gymnastics awards and well done to Indie for earning her Grade P2 for Gymnastics!

### PE Kit

On PE days, your child should be wearing full school PE kit – a coloured (Red/Yellow/Blue/Green) t-shirt (plain or with school logo), black shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers. Thank you for your support with this.

### Health & Safety

Recently, there have been accidents involving adults and children being hit by scooters and bicycles. Children are NOT permitted to ride scooters or bicycles on the school grounds due to health and safety. If your child rides a bicycle or scooter to school, please ensure/remind them that they are NOT to ride either on the school grounds. If pupils are seen to continue to ignore the school rules around this, then they will NOT be permitted to bring their scooters or bicycles onto the school grounds.

Attendance stands at 95.71%. Well done to Year 6 for winning attendance of the week with 97.76%! Congratulations Sycamore Class!  
Also congratulations to Theo in Year 5, who has won presentation Oscar this week, for beautiful presentation in his Science learning. Well done!  
Wishing you a lovely weekend,  
Miss Homer  
Headteacher

# News from around Kemsley Primary Academy

## Year N:

This week we have been exploring the story 'This is me', with George from Cbeebies. The story explores how we are all unique! We expressed our uniqueness through dancing and created our own natural loose parts faces. This week we have also been celebrating European languages focussing on France and French! We sang some songs in French and had a French food tasting including croissants, brioche and French cheeses! We were able to discuss which foods we liked and disliked and used our fine motor skills to spread our cheese with a knife. We have been on a 'welly walk' to collect leaves and explore the changes happening in autumn. We then created our own leaf man!

Next week we will be looking at the story 'All kinds of Homes', where we will continue to look at similarities and differences between them. We will be building our homes using junk modelling materials and learning to apply printing to our creative work. We will continue to explore instrumental sounds in phonics and build on our matching skills in maths.

## Year R

This week within Oak class the children enjoyed another fabulous whole school learning experience, visiting all of the other classrooms to explore elements of different cultures and languages throughout Europe. The children have also been working super hard on their letter to sound recognition, and we could not be more proud of them!

Can we just send a reminder that the children's reading books need to be in school every day. Books will then be changed on designated days according to the children's tribal colours. Please see dojo or ask one of the team if you are not sure which days these are.

## Year 1:

Another week goes by, and we're still working hard in Willow Class! This week has been full of amazing and brilliant adventures, the key one being European Day of Languages! We all wore such fantastic colours, being fantastic flags! In our Writing next week, we will be beginning our final book for the term, 'The Lion Inside', and we'll be working on crafting a diary entry in the character of Mouse. Our Maths learning next week is all about ordering objects and numbers, and using our number lines to help us out. Thinking about our wider curriculum next week, in Music, we'll continue rehearsing our song 'Hey You!' and showcasing our wonderful voices! Finally, in our RE learning, we'll be exploring the story of 'The Prodigal Son' and its importance.

As a gentle reminder, our PE day is Monday.

## Year 2:

This week in English we have been writing an advert for a holiday in the country or town. We had to come up with a price for our holiday, we had some very good deals with some cheap prices!

In Maths we have continued focusing on place value. We have been working with number lines to count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

In Science we have been learning about different bats and we measured how far each one made a rubber ball travel, as we are investigating playground toys and the materials they are made from.

## Year 3:

Next week, in English, we are going to be thinking about recount writing. In maths we will be exploring adding and subtracting 1-digit from 3-digit numbers. In music, we are going to practice our harvest songs, ready for our harvest festival. In PE we are continuing to practice our throwing and catching skills, focussing on throwing and catching games. In art, we are carrying on our learning about Picasso, creating some interesting cubism-style collages!

Our Express Event is on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

## Year 4:

It has been fantastic to see so many children bringing in their reading folders every day this week, thank you! In Science, we are going to track changes in state over time through melting and freezing. In our computing lessons, we are working very hard to create our own games, and it is going really well! We will be working on these again this week.

## Year 5:

Next week in Year 5, we will continue reading *Treason* and will be finishing our independent biographies. We will then begin exploring poetry. In maths we will be learning about inverse operations and how to solve problems and reasoning questions to do with addition and subtraction. In science we will be learning about conductivity. In our history lesson, we will be learning about what life was like in Tudor England.

Please be reminded that our PE day is Tuesday.

## Year 6:

Firstly, the adults in Year 6 would like to praise the whole class for their excellent behaviour and sensible attitude during European Languages Day. All the children made us proud.

Next week in maths we will be working on division, revisiting our knowledge of the short method of division, using the bus stop method. We will then be moving on to using the long-written method of division, in order to divide two-digit numbers by four-digit numbers. Towards the end of the week, we will be using our division knowledge to solve a range of SATs style reasoning questions.

In literacy, we will be writing an informal letter from the point of view of Bruno from our class text 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas'. We will be using all our prior learning to help us first write a class write before moving on to a partner write and finally an independent write. In history we will be researching the Holocaust.

## **Term Dates – Term 1**

### **Week 5 – W/C Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

- Black History Month - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October

### **Week 6 – W/C Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

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

### **Week 7 – W/C Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

- Black History Month - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October
- Harvest Assembly (TBC)

## **Express Events – Term 1**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Year 4 at 9:00am

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Nursery at 2:00pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Year 2 at 9:00am

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Year R at 2:00pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October - Year 5 at 9:00am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October - Year 1 at 2:00pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Year 6 at 9:00am

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Year 3 at 2:00pm

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

## **Term Dates – Term 2**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Staff Inset Day 2 (School Closed to Pupils)

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Term 2 Begins for Pupils