



# KEMSLEY COURIER



Praise and Thank You!

W/C: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

<b>Sycamore</b>	<p>Mrs Bond, Mrs Melrose &amp; Mrs Pullen would like to praise Orla, Benjamin and Annabelle for helping with our Poppy Appeal. They would also like to praise Wale, Japheth and Oliver B for their enthusiastic participation in PE this week when learning the Haka in dance.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Dolly, for her exceptional research, paired write and plan for her non-chronological report on tsunamis.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Holly, for demonstrating resilience when adding and subtracting proper fractions, improper fractions and mixed fractions in maths this week.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Oliver D, for challenging himself in all areas of the curriculum to deepen and extend his learning.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Emily</p>
<b>Birch</b>	<p>Miss Bright, Miss Pengelly and Mrs Stan would like to say a huge well done to all of Year 5 for their sensitivity and maturity when discussing racism as part of our PSHRE lesson this week. All children showed good understanding, empathy and thought of ways to educate people in order to stop racism. Thank you also to Amelia, Siddie and Daniels for being helpful and their kindness shown to others this week.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Amber, for her fantastic plan for her non-chronological report.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Lois, for trying her best to find equivalent fractions.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Marvelous, for settling into the routines of Year 5 and being part of our team.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Kara and Louie</p>
<b>Ash</b>	<p>Mrs. Brijman and Mrs. Fletcher would like to praise Miles and Daisy for their hard work as part of the eco team. You did very well in your assembly! We would also like to thank Summer, Oliver, Freya, Sonny, Harley and Rory for their incredible teamwork and behaviour for learning as a table group. You are always ready to learn and work together to tidy up each lesson. Thank you!</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> George H., for his incredible work creating an acrostic about a mountain. Well done!</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Freya, for her hard work finding multiples of 3 and 6.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Bentlee, for his excellent contributions in a class discussion about mountains this week.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Daisy</p>
<b>Beech</b>	<p>This week Miss Donald, Miss Bennett and Mrs. Smith would like to say well done to Ella, Paige, Matthias and Madalena for their hard work this week. They would also like to say well done to David and Archie M for their fantastic paired biography writing.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Kerryann and Effy, for their lovely biographies.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Matthias, for his brilliant work with subtracting 3-digit numbers.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Aiyla, for being polite, kind and caring.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Theo</p>
<b>Maple</b>	<p>This week Miss Hardy, Mrs DH, Miss Spenceley and Miss Filipovic would like to praise Tabitha, Harry B and Max for being confident when reading their lines in our first nativity practise! We would also like to praise Mollie and Harper for working really hard to answer reasoning questions in maths. We would like to thank Harry P and Ivy for being helpful around the classroom.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Harry B, for thinking of a range of adjectives to describe a painting this week.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Max, for working hard to sort 3D shapes into groups according to their properties.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Arlie, for trying really hard to ensure his numbers and letters are written in the correct direction in all lessons.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Ronald</p>
<b>Willow</b>	<p>The adults in Willow class would like to praise Bethany and Belkisa for giving their all in every lesson. We would like to praise Joel for showing his caring side to members of his class and to Teddiee D for helping the adults and children of Willow Class keep the classroom extra tidy.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Teddy P, for his beautifully written plan for a letter using persuasive language.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Amber, for her good understanding and writing her number sentences on subtraction accurately.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Oscar R, for being independent with all his learning this week.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Rosie</p>
<b>Oak</b>	<p>Mrs Donaghy and Mrs Gaffney would like to praise Polly-anna for keeping the pen pots looking neat and tidy. We would like to say thank you to the class for their great effort in bringing in pennies for the 11B411 penny challenge.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Elaine, for making a huge effort to write her name independently.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Pearl, for finding triangles everywhere she goes!</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Ackley, for his constantly amazing behaviour and attitude.</p> <p><b>Dojo Champion:</b> Lucy</p>
<b>Cherry</b>	<p>Thank you to James and Rosabelle for bringing in some books from home to share with Cherry class. We have put them in the book corner and added some to the pleasure at home reading basket that was very kind and generous of you and your families thankyou.</p> <p><b>Writer of the Week:</b> Ayomiposi, for creating her own version of a beautiful spiky hedgehog - putting a lot of meaning and thought into her hedgehog creation. Well done your use of pencils and drawing tools is great.</p> <p><b>Maths Master:</b> Arthur, for creating and comparing towers using different construction blocks using of mathematical language of more and less.</p> <p><b>Star of the Week:</b> Maggie, for joining our Cherry class with great confidence. She explored the areas, talked to her peers and has made friends already! She's had a fab first week! Welcome to Cherries Maggie.</p>

- Coming up:**
- Sun 12<sup>th</sup> November**  
Remembrance Sunday
  - Mon 13<sup>th</sup> November**  
Odd Socks Day (wear odd socks to school!)
  - Mon 13<sup>th</sup> November**  
New Reception  
2024 Parent Tours – 9:30am & 1:30pm
  - Tues 14<sup>th</sup> November**  
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2024 Parent Tours – 9:30am & 1:30pm
  - Fri 17<sup>th</sup> November**  
Children in Need Day (wear spots/Pudsey to school)

**Message from the Head Teacher:**

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Staff,

This morning Policeman Jez, visited us this morning. He met with parents, carers and families on the gate and introduced himself to the children in class. Policeman Jez will be sometimes attending gate duty and will be leading some assemblies next term. A huge thank you to our FLO, Mrs Steadman, for making this possible! This week, we have been remembering all the people who have fought and who continue to fight for our freedom, and who continue to sacrifice their lives so that we may live in peace. This morning, we took part in a remembrance service and held a two-minute silence to remember and pay respect to these people. I would like to extend praise to the children for behaving so sensibly and for showing tremendous respect during our assembly and two-minute silence. Well done everyone! During this assembly, it was also explained that a much-loved member of the community sadly passed away on the field opposite the school and that friends and loved ones have chosen to pay their respects and say goodbye to this person, by leaving flowers, loving messages, and blue balloons.

Next week, we launch anti-bullying week with Odd Socks Day – when all staff, pupils, governors and parents are invited to wear odd socks for the day. Children will be expected to wear school uniform (apart from odd socks), as usual, on this day. On Friday, we shall be celebrating Children in Need, when the children are invited to wear something spotty or something Pudsey if they like! A separate letter will detail the events of this day and how we are going to be raising money as a school for Children in Need.

Just a reminder, that Parents Evening will be running on the following days:

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Year 2 Parents Evening 3:30pm – 6:45pm
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Year R, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6 – 3:30pm-6:45pm
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Year 2 Parents Evening 3:30pm – 5:30pm
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November – YN Parents Evening 1pm – 4:30pm (parents to book an appointment with Ms Millar & Miss McRoberts).
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Year R, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6 – 3:30pm-5:30pm

**Courtesy to Local Residence**

Out of courtesy for our local residence, please can you ensure that if you drive a vehicle to school, that you park it responsibly. Yet again, we have had reports of parents and carers irresponsibly parking their cars on junctions opposite the school and double parking along the far end of Coldharbour Lane. This is causing great difficulty for local residence as they are unable to access their road let alone their driveways. This is also a health and safety matter as it increases the risk of accidents and also prevents children and their families from crossing the road safely. Please show consideration to our local residence and help to keep our community safe. Your support with this matter is greatly appreciated.

Well done to Year 2 for winning attendance of the week with 99.33%! Congratulations Maple Class! Overall school attendance is 94.99%. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, Miss Homer, Headteacher

# News from around Kemsley Primary Academy

## Year N:

This week, we have been creating hedgehog bread using our fine motor skills to create the spikes and raisins for the eyes to give the hedgehog some sense of personality. The children loved doing this and being involved in all stages of making and creating the bread. They followed instructions beautifully with good listening and showed great use of fine motor skills. Well done Cherries. We have also been comparing size through construction play in our maths this week by creating tall and short towers - some as tall as our friends in Cherries. We have been learning about individuality and how we all have different likes and dislikes but some maybe the same. We have explored this by looking and reading some amazing books that relate to this.

## Year R

This week the children have really made so much progress in their learning and it has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm for their new learning of 'full stops'.

Next week, we will be continuing to talk about individuality and how we celebrate festivals, especially birthdays. The children will find out how different families celebrate and the different traditions that families have. Oak class will continue to work on numbers, with a focus on the numbers 4 and 5. In our reading and writing, we will be reading the story "Elmer's Birthday" by David Mckee. This will open a wealth of opportunities for the children to explore colours, celebrations, feelings, and elephants! This should be an exciting week with some colourful activities.

We will continue to spend time outside daily, so please ensure your child has a coat, hat, and gloves; as the weather is definitely getting colder!

## Year 1:

This week in Willow class, we have been finding out about different parts of a letter and learning where each part goes. We have also been continuing our plans and are preparing to write our persuasive letter to keep a penguin. In maths we have been learning how to subtract using the fact families, part whole models and crossing out. We made poppies in our DT lesson using cupcake cases and lollypop sticks. We then created a field of poppies which we proudly shared in our Remembrance assembly.

## Year 2:

This week we have been really busy beginning our practises for our nativity performance. Please ensure you practise with your child to help them learn their script!

In English this week we have been discussing what the word persuasion means and the children have given lots of examples. We will be making our own persuasive posters next week! In maths we have carried on learning about shape. We sorted 3D shapes this week and have also been counting vertices.

In science we measured how much light shows through different fabrics and chose which one we would like to use for the windows of our house. In PSHRE we spoke about differences and similarities between ourselves and our peers.

## Year 3:

Firstly, I would like to say a huge well done to all of the children for their hard work this week. They have made me super proud! Next week, we are going to explore poetry in literacy, continue addition and subtraction in maths and explore magnets in Science. In Geography, we will carry on exploring the countries and continents of the UK and in music, we are going to carry on practising the glockenspiel!

## Year 4:

Next week in Literacy, we will be starting our topic on non-chronological reports. We will be writing these about mountains. In maths, we will be continuing our exploration of multiplication and division facts. In science we are learning how to draw accurate circuits. In topic, we are going to explore how mountains are formed.

Thank you again to everyone who is bringing their reading folder in! Please do make sure that these are brought to school every day.

## Year 5:

Next week in Year 5, we will begin our learning about explanation texts. In maths, we will be comparing and ordering fractions, then adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator. In our geography lessons, we will be learning about how rivers change through erosion and deposition. In our science lesson, we will be creating our planned investigation to answer how sugar dissolves in different temperatures.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

## Year 6:

This week in maths we will be continuing with our work on fractions. We will be learning how to multiply and divide fractions by integers, as well as by improper fractions and mixed numbers.

In literacy we will be moving on to poetry. At the beginning of the week, we will look at a rhyming poem on tsunamis, identifying rhyming couplets and figurative language. Towards the end of the week, we will be generating our own rhyming couplets, using topic related vocabulary, and then generating our own figurative language (similes, metaphors, personification, and alliteration) on tsunamis which we will incorporate into our poetry writing.

In geography we will continue our learning on biomes, this week focusing on forests. We will be researching which animals live in the different kinds of forests, different plant life and the climate. Our work in science will include understanding how water and nutrients are transported around the body. We will be creating our own flow diagrams to demonstrate our understanding.

As the terms moves on, please keep checking Class Dojo as key dates will be posted on our class page.

## **Term Dates – Term 2**

### **Week 3 - w/c Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Odd Socks Day

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - New Reception 2024 Parent Tours - 9:30am & 1:30pm

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November - New Reception 2024 Parent Tours - 9:30am & 1:30pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Day (wear spots day!)

### **Week 4 – w/c Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November - New Reception 2024 Parent Tours - 9:30am & 1:30pm

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November - New Reception 2024 Parent Tours - 9:30am & 1:30pm

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Choir Performance at Kemsley Hall (1:45pm-2:45pm)

### **Week 5 – w/c Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

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### **Week 6 – w/c Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jamboree at Highsted – Choir Trip

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – NHS Flu Vaccinations YR-Y6

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS & KS1 Pantomime – Treasure Island

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

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol Service at church 10:30am

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Week**

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

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Pantomime at Swallows

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December Christingle Service 2:15pm at School

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