



“Laying the foundations for a lifetime of learning”

## Newsletter

w/c 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

As another successful year for our school draws to a close, it is a good time to stop and reflect on how much has been achieved by the pupils, staff, parents and governors in just one year. They extend from the academic, the sporting, the creative, to the build of a new classroom and, of course, to the numerous fun and fundraising events organised by Friends.

I would like to thank you for the ongoing support that you give our pupils, and for the strong working partnership that you have with us all on the staff which is built on mutual respect and trust. We achieve so much because the school community works extremely well together for the benefit of all our pupils. This is surely one of the greatest strengths of our school.

On behalf of the staff and Governors I hope that you have a lovely summer break and we look forward to seeing you when the new school year starts on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

### KS1 Results

Although we don't as yet have the national results for Key Stage 1, we can share the super set of results from our 14 Year 2 pupils.

Reading	Writing	Maths
93% EXS+	86% EXS+	93% EXS+
50% GDS	50% GDS	50% GDS
7% WTS	14% WTS	7% WTS

*WTS-Working towards, EXS- Expected, GDS- Greater depth*

This great set of results is due to the high expectations that Mrs Dunn and Mrs Sefton have of each child, the first rate teaching the pupils receive, the targeted support from Mrs Cordell and the support from their parents at home. We have much to be proud of.

### Key Stage 2 Results

We do have the national results for KS2 and as you can see our Year 6 pupils have done very well. A huge thank you to Mr Pugh for his high quality teaching that enables all his pupils to make the progress we have set for them, and to Mrs Hardy for her support of Year 6.

National KS2 Attainment Data 2017								
	Reading EXS	Reading ASS	Writing EXS	Maths	Maths ASS	GPS EXS	GPS ASS	EXS RWM combined
National	71%	104	76%	75%	106	77%	106	61%
Ampney Crucis	85%	109	85%	77%	105	85%	107	77%

*GPS: Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, EXS: expected standard, ASS: average scaled score*

## **Year 6**

The Year 6 parents may very well be having the same thoughts as us - where have the last seven years gone? It has come round all too quickly and we find ourselves preparing to say goodbye to the girls and boys in Oak 6.

In September Ryan, Pippa, Thomas, Mimi, Olivia, Lucas and Bethany will be attending Kingshill; Maisy, Deer Park; Katherine and Joshua, Farmor's; Zina will be at Rendcomb; Oliver and Jasper at Marling; and Anna at Stroud High.

All our very best wishes go with them and we look forward to hearing how well they do in their new schools.

## **Sports Day**

As I write, the weather forecast looks good for Monday 17<sup>th</sup>, the date of our sports afternoon. However, if the weather does mean that we have to cancel it we will notify you by text.

We hope you are able to join us at 1.30pm on the school field to support the pupils in their various events. Afterwards, Friends will be in the school hall to give each pupil a well-deserved ice-cream.

## **Leavers' Service**

We will come together at our Leavers' service on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July to celebrate our Year 6 pupils. You are most welcome to join us at 2pm in the church and if you are able to help walk the pupils down please let me or your child's teachers know.

## **New Classroom**

The build for the new classroom started last week and the ground work should be completed before we finish for the summer. We are all finding it extremely interesting to see how it is slowly taking shape day by day.

## **Roof Tiles**

Bex Jones will be selling roof tile for the new classroom after the sports afternoon . We hope to have the actual tiles on site so that you can write on you message for prosperity.

## **Reading Challenge 2017**

The Animal Agents is the theme for this year's summer reading challenge. We are thrilled that our local librarian will be in school on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July to launch it and we would like our pupils to take part. All your child has to do is to join up for free at your local library and to read six or more books over the summer holiday. There is lots of information and fun things to do on the official The Animal Agents website.

## **Reading Books**

We are unable to send reading books home over the summer holiday and so the teachers will collect the pupils' reading books in over the last week of the term. We would like the pupils to leave their reading packages in school over the holiday, so that we can update their reading record books with their new reading targets ready for September.

## **Writers of the week**



*Maple Class* – Tatty and Hope

*Willow Class* – Jago, Liam and Eliza

*Chestnut Class* – Lucy, Kodey and Toby

*Oak Class* – Chanel, Lily and Charlie

*A marvellous end to the term!*

Yours sincerely,

*Anne-Marie Wilkie*

# SCHOOL DIARY

## JULY

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day, 1.30 in field
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day, 1.30 in field
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Leavers' Service, 2pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>School finishes at 1.30pm</b>

## Octavia's Bookshop

We have our Abbey 900 Book Week line-up. More info on each event will be in the next couple of weeks but for now here are the dates and the list of our wonderful authors!

### Monday 7th August

11:30am- Gill Lewis

2:30pm- Kate Scott

### Tuesday 8th August

11:30am- Christopher Edge

2:30pm- Tom Percival

### Wednesday 9th August

11:30am- Tracey Corderoy

2:30pm- Zoe Greaves

### Thursday 10th August

11:30am- Maudie Smith

2:30pm- Fred Blunt

### Friday 11th August

11:30am- Lottie Prentice

2:30pm- John Dougherty

No tickets will be needed, just £1(per person) on the door for Abbey 900, first come first served until the shop is full !



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