



Ampney Crucis C of E Primary School
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Newsletter 16: Summer Term 1 2023

What's Happening this week?

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a lovely weekend.



Firstly, I would like to say a **BIG well done to all our Year 5s (who took their NFER tests) and especially our Year 6s for last week.** All the children approached the week with calmness and a desire to do their best and that is all we could ask from them. I imagine you have heard all the about the concerns over the Reading Test and the SATS as a whole, and though this is not a place for my personal views, I can't help agreeing with what many have said. Our children always have been and will continue to be so more than just what they produce on a test on one given day. Yes, academic progress and performance is important but so are many other things. It is just a shame that schools are judged on what children achieve in a test. The Year 6 now have many events to look forward to over the next few weeks and I hope they continue to make some lasting memories.

Monday

We welcome Mrs Christopher, from Kingshill Secondary School, who is in today to meet the children who will be going there in Year 7.

We also welcome Megan Hunt, soon to be a newly qualified teacher. As part of the final term of teacher training at the University of Gloucestershire, all teachers have to carry out 2 weeks voluntary work at a different school looking at a focus of their choice. Megan will be spending time in all the classes over the next 2 weeks.

Some Year 3 and 4 children will be taking part in an orienteering event after school at Kingshill.

Wednesday

Mrs Bird is in for the Year 6's last mindfulness session.

There is a **residential meeting** for all of Oak class who are going on this year's trip. This will take place in Oak classroom straight after school.

Thursday



We are about to embark on a whole school project, alongside other local schools, called the Year of Reading. Today, Willow, Chestnut and Oak Class will decide who their Reading Ambassadors will be and then these children will champion reading for the next academic year. They will attend a special event during school time for a local launch of the project on Thursday at the Barn theatre.

Friday

SEND drop-in sessions for any parents who wish to discuss anything SEND with Mrs Wood.

Timings: 9:30 to 11:00, 2:00- 3:00pm. Please see or contact me to book a slot.

Friends Meeting at 1:30pm. Please come along as the main item on the agenda will be the school's summer fair!

At the end of the day @ 3:00

Chestnut Class will be selling their goodie bags- raising money as part of their Young Leaders Project

Maple Cake Sale – please make as many cakes as you can!



Love our School

Though a few people made a start – there is still lots of clearing and pruning that needs doing. If you are free this **Thursday afternoon** to help please just pop in after 1:00pm. If anyone is free **Saturday 26th May in the morning**, then please let me know and we will have a working party then as well.

Remember we are no longer using Class dojo so please see class teachers at the beginning or the end of the day or contact Mrs Chadwick and she will pass messages on.

Have a lovely week.

Mrs Wood