



Ampney Crucis C of E Primary School
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Newsletter 7: Spring Term 1 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We might be moving into March, but it seems the wet and cold weather is set to stay, as the hailstones and rain proved on Friday. Despite this we are focusing on Spring in school and the journey through Lent leading to Easter. There are lots of great events coming up that all children can be involved with, and you can too!

Achievements in School

Well done to Isla, Nellie and Rhys who represented our school on Friday at the next round of the Look Who's Talking Competition, a special mention to Isla who received a Highly Commended Certificate. All 3 children demonstrated our value of Courage talking in front of a lot of people and facing a panel of judges who asked questions!

On Friday Head Teachers Awards were given to:

Maple – Penny and Archie

Willow- Esme, Alicja, Seph, Etta and Annabelle

Chestnut- Elise, Jonas and Amelie

Oak- Dan, Kevin, Ella, Sophia and John

Sports

Cross Country- a group of children took part in a Cross Country competition on Monday competing against local schools. All the children did really well and hope to repeat this success this week.

Netball – we have taken part in 2 Thursday Netball sessions at Kingshill training with and playing against Down Ampney and we have 3 sessions to go hopefully where other local schools will join us. The children are having great fun and if anyone else from Chestnut or Oak wish to join us please let me know.

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

World book day is this Thursday, and the focus is on all children being readers and enjoying all the worlds books can take them! We know some children love dressing up but lots of children are passionate about sustainability and saving the environment and not filling landfill sites with additional clothes. We are also conscious that in currently challenging financial times not everyone wants to be spending money on a costume only worn once or twice. Instead, why not help your child create their own show box book diorama and bring it in on Thursday. I am really looking forward to the Reading Ambassadors leading an assembly first thing on Thursday morning and seeing all the work the children produce throughout the day.



Dress Down Day – Friday 8th March for Easter Bingo Chocolate Prizes.

Children can come to school in any clothes they like on Friday in exchange for chocolate which will make up our Chocolate hampers for the Easter Bingo night on Wednesday 20th March. Please remember that Year 2 children will be taking part in Forest School in the afternoon so do need a change of clothes they don't mind getting muddy!

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day

The children can come into school wearing something funny or red for a small donation – 50p or more. We will be holding a cake sale at break, and if any left also at lunchtime, **so please get baking or buying and bring them in on the morning**. Children can bring in some money to buy cakes from 50p.

Dates for your Diaries

World Book Day	Thursday 7 th March
Chestnut Class to the Barn Theatre	Friday 8 th March
Dress down Day for Chocolate donations	Friday 8 th March
Science Week	11 th March to 15 th March
Red Nose Day	15 th March
Easter Service in Church- all welcome	Wednesday 20 th March at 9:30.
Easter Bonnet Parade KS2 Easter eggs for competition to come into school.	Wednesday 20 th March at 2:45pm
Finish for Easter	Thursday 21 st March at NORMAL TIME 3:15pm.
INSET Day	Friday 22 nd March
Return to School	Monday 8 th April
Swimming Gala	Wednesday 10 th April – letters have already been sent
Maple C0lass to the Farm!	Wednesday 10 th April
Willow Class to the Farm!	Friday 12 th April
Monday 15 th April Wednesday 17 th April	Parents Evenings
Year 6 SATs week	Monday 13 th May to Friday 17 th May
Half Term Holiday	Monday 27 th May to 31 st May
Sports Day (KS1 in the morning/KS2 in the afternoon)	Monday 24 th June (reserve day is Thursday 27 th June)
Finish for the Summer Holiday	Friday 19 th July

There are lots of events and trips planned for the Summer Term which will be added over the next few weeks.

Have a lovely week.

Mrs Wood and all the staff.