

# St Ambrose Newsletter

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## Weekly Attendance

Nursery 1	86.7%
Nursery 2	77%
Reception	91%
Year 1	90.4%
Year 2	91%
Year 3	89.3%
Year 4	91.9%
Year 5	97.9%
Year 6	94.5%

**Whole  
School:  
92.5%**

We aim for every child to have at least 97% attendance over the year. Children with this level of attendance will be rewarded each term.



## Golden Book

### Certificates

Congratulations to the following children who all received a golden certificate this week

Nursery AM	Jacob O
Nursery PM	Mason H
Reception	Darcey K
Year 1	Evie H
Year 2	Salvador Z
Year 3	Whole Class
Year 4	Alfie M
Year 5	Thomas B
Year 6	Finley H



## Nursery

This week is 'Anti-Bullying Week' and on Monday, we wore odd socks to show that we are all different. We really enjoyed singing and dancing to Andy and the Oddsocks band. We have completed lots of odd socks related activities such as: sorting and matching up the pairs of socks, painting and drawing patterns to make pictures of odd socks and using Purple Mash on the computer to create digital pictures of odd socks. We loved listening to the story 'Socks' and creating wonderful pictures of mersocks, sockodiles and even a socktopus! Don't forget that next Tuesday is our trip to *Imagine That!* so the children will come for the whole day.

## Reception

A week filled with rain and lots of muddy puddles haven't stopped Reception from trying hard in all they do. We have been so impressed with the children as they moved to their new Read Write Inc groups. They are trying extremely hard with their sounds and Fred Talk. I have posted some Fred Talk videos on our class Teams page to help with this at home. Preparations for our Christmas performance 'Baarmy Bethlehem' have now begun. Prepare yourselves for lots of singing and dancing at home! We are really looking forward to our class trip to *Imagine That!* on Tuesday. Please return the permission slip.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### CHRISTMAS DATES ARE INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - EYFS Trip *Imagine That!*

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Y5 Museum Trip

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November - History Workshop (in school)

## Year 1

What a busy week we've had in Year 1! This week was 'Anti-Bullying Week' and we've talked a lot in class about being kind and having kind hands and using kind words. On Monday, we loved taking part in the national assembly and joining in with the Anti-Bullying song in our silly socks! Another highlight this week was Miss Butler's history lesson in which we described our favourite toys - lots of fun, laughter and learning! We are looking forward to comparing these to the toys our parents and grandparents played with. We completed our 'Belonging' topic in RE and enjoyed investigating odd and even numbers up to 20 in maths. I am really impressed with how mature the children are being and how hard they are working, keep up the fantastic work everyone and don't forget to bring in your reading books!

## Year 2

We have had another busy week in Year 2. I am so proud of how hard the children are working. I can see huge improvements in our work already. This week was 'Anti-Bullying Week'. On Monday, we all wore odd socks to show that we are all different and spoke about how we could reach out to others. In science, we enjoyed getting out for a walk around our local area spotting different materials and talking about their uses. In history, we have continued to learn about the 'Great Fire of London' and can now re-tell the events as they happened. We are also learning 'London's burning'. In maths, we have started our unit on length and have been looking at how we can measure in metres and centimetres. Have a lovely weekend and please return book-bags no later than Monday!

### Year 3

A fantastic end to an exciting week! The children really enjoyed our visit to the cinema to watch *Croods 2: A New Age* which was linked to our history topic 'Stone Age to Iron Age'. We are very proud of the exemplary behavior of all our children who were great ambassadors for our school. In maths, we have used the column method to add two, 3-digit numbers with re-grouping. In English, we have revisited the use of conjunctions to extend our sentences and used persuasive language. The children have been very excited about our new topic in science: 'Rocks and Fossils'; history topic: 'Stone Age to Iron Age' and RE topic 'Advent/Christmas'. A polite reminder to make payments for our school visits. Well done to our amazing children for all their hard work! Have a lovely weekend.

### Year 4

Another jam-packed week of learning in Year 4! In English, we started to write a setting description about the Amazon rainforest. We used our school 'Wow room' to transport ourselves, and used our senses to write a detailed description about the Amazon. In maths, we have developed new methods for division including short division. The children identified how their knowledge of times tables can help them with this method. In Spanish, the children continue to learn about school subjects and can now correctly translate each subject from our school curriculum. In our new science topic 'States of matter' the children had to consider what items were solid, liquids or gas and how the particles in each move around. The children have all worked extremely hard and have earned a well-rested break this weekend!

### PE AT ST AMBROSE

Everyone has worked so hard in PE this week! We've had gymnastics in KS1 and athletics in KS2. Our EYFS improved their kicking skills too! Our stars of PE for this week are: Nursery AM - Jacob, Nursery PM - Myla, Reception - Alysha, Year 1 - Luca, Year 2 - Poppy, Year 3 - Freddie, Year 4 - Goda, Year 5 - Esmee, Year 6 - Olivia.

### Year 5

Yet another packed week in Year 5. This week has been 'Anti-Bullying Week'. On Monday, we wore odd socks to school to show how we are all different and unique. In class, we have discussed what bullying actually is and what to do if we ever witness or experience it. In science, we learnt about a range of different types of forces. We drew force diagrams to represent balanced and unbalanced forces and the impact that they have on an object. As the weather is getting colder and wetter, a reminder that children should wear a coat to school rather than a just a hoodie (and please bring wellies or old trainers if possible to change into).

### Year 6

We have had a busy week in Year 6. We discussed the 'fairy tales' within our class read in English; the message it contained and the inference for the characters in the text. In maths, we have been explaining and creating algebraic expressions and equations in order to find missing variables. In geography, we have been comparing goods that are imported into, and exported from the UK. discussing why the UK has to import certain goods. In science, we have extended our learning on classification by researching the groupings of certain animals. Year 6 we were amazing in music this week, singing challenging carols. Well done!

## WINTER FOOD VOUCHER

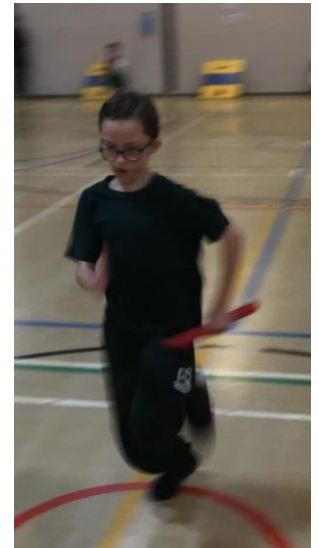
Winter Food Vouchers will be available for collection from **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November after 10am**. These are given to families in receipt of means-tested Free School Meals.

## YEAR 5 & 6 SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS



On Friday morning, 9 boys and 9 girls from across Years 5 and 6 visited Kings Leadership Academy to take part in a Sports Hall Athletics event. The competition involved both track and field events, from the 4-person relay to the javelin throw. Our young athletes performed incredibly, winning

several events across the morning! Their attitude and sportsmanship stood out above all else though, as they congratulated all other winners and competitors. We could not be more proud to have had these children competing for, and representing our school. Well done to all of you!



## SAFEGUARDING AND MENTAL HEALTH

The dark nights are here which means road safety messages are of the utmost importance to keep our children safe this winter. It is vital to teach your children good road safety basics from an early age.

- Explain to children why they should not run across the road
- Show them how to identify safe places to cross
- It is unsafe for young children to run ahead from their accompanying adult, or to whizz past on scooters
- Be bright be seen! Your child is safer if they are visible, add high-visibility reflective accessories to their clothing, school bags or bike helmets

## SWIM!

Liverpool South, a brand new Learn to Swim centre for families and schools, are running free intro sessions for all children of St Ambrose Catholic Academy to try swimming and see if they want to learn this life saving skill (Ages 3-11).

Please click the link to their website which links directly to the intro booking form for parents and guardians to use and sign up for free. <https://www.swim.co.uk/choose-intro-type>

The logo for 'swim!' is displayed in white lowercase letters on a purple rectangular background.

## CHRISTMAS 2022

Christmas will soon be upon us. Please refer to the table below for all our Christmas dates. We would love for you to join us for our Coffee Morning on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December and then again in church on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> for our whole school Carol Concert when we will also have the opportunity to say goodbye and thank you to Mr White. Children will be dismissed from church on this day.

### CHRISTMAS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>EYFS Nativity</li></ul>	9:30-10:30am
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Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Christmas Party Day/ Own Clothes Day</li></ul>	All day
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Parents' Coffee Morning</li><li>Santa Grotto Day £1</li></ul>	9:00-10:00am All day
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Christmas Dinner/ Christmas Jumper Day</li><li>Christmas Movie Magic £2</li></ul>	All day 3:15-5:00pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Y1-Y6 Carol Concert (whole school in church) All parents and families welcome to join us to say goodbye to Mr White.</li></ul>	2:00-3:15pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>School closes at 2pm for Christmas Holidays</li></ul>	2:00pm

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

As we prepare for Christmas, we begin to think of those less fortunate than ourselves. Rather than sending Christmas cards to each other, please send in a small loose-change donation (the money that you would have spent on the cards). We will then use this money to buy hats and gloves for the homeless. Also, by not sending cards, we are protecting our wonderful world.

## APPLY FOR RECEPTION

If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2023, you can apply online now for a place in Reception. Closing dates for Reception applications are 15th January 2023. All Reception applications should be completed online at [www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions). In addition to the online application, families should also complete the St Ambrose Supplementary Faith Form. This can be accessed via our school website and is available from the school office. We require evidence of baptism in the form of a baptismal certificate handed in to school with our supplementary faith form by the 15th January 2023.

