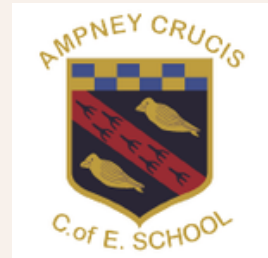


Ampney Crucis C of E Primary Newsletter #16



Date: 24th April 2026

Value of the term: Compassion

Cooking in Maple

Maple were so excited to have started their cooking sessions. 4 children made naan bread pizzas – they looked and smelled delicious! They can't wait to continue with these weekly sessions, giving all children an opportunity. The children enjoyed taking their pizzas home to share with their families! Maple used their new Thank you to the Friends who made this possible through the purchase of the cooking equipment.



Uniform

We would like to remind parents and carers about our school uniform expectations. Wearing the correct uniform helps to promote a sense of belonging, equality and pride in our school community. Please ensure that your child comes to school each day wearing the agreed school uniform, including appropriate footwear.

Further information can be found on our school website:

www.ampneycrucis.gloucs.sch.uk/page/uniform

Summer Fete

This year our summer fete will be taking place on **Friday 3rd July** 3:30-6:30.

The Friends are already busy organising another fantastic afternoon of fun so please share the date with your friends and family as all are welcome.

During the summer term there will be a number of dress down days (non-uniform) in exchange for donations to the summer fete stalls and other opportunities for you to help with and support the fete.

Dates and opportunities
coming soon!

"Together we live, learn and flourish."

This term we will be focussing in school on the value **COMPASSION**. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

**TALK ABOUT
 COMPASSION TOGETHER...**

Compassion is about 'standing in someone else's shoes' when they are having a hard time. In other words, trying to understand how they might be feeling and doing our best to try to help.

Talk together about:

- how we can show **compassion** and kindness to one another at home
- recognising when friends at school need us to listen and act with **compassion**
- stories in the news demonstrating how strangers show **compassion** in times of natural disasters
- how nations show **compassion** to other nations at times of disaster or need by sending money or volunteers to help



**THINK TOGETHER
 Words of Wisdom**

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."

Aesop



READ TOGETHER...

The good Samaritan

When someone asked Jesus the question, "Who is my neighbour?" he told a story that surprised everyone who heard it. The hero was from Samaria but those listening were mainly Jews. (Jews and Samaritans usually kept well away from each other.)

"A man set out on foot from Jerusalem to a town called Jericho", said Jesus. The crowd murmured and exchanged knowing glances. They knew this was a lonely, dangerous road, a favourite place for robbers to attack travellers. "As the man reached a rocky and desolate place, a gang of robbers leapt out and beat him. They took all that he had and left him bleeding and bruised. To the man's relief, he saw in the distance a priest from the temple. A priest is bound to help me, thought the man. He waited until the priest came a little closer and then called out, 'Thank goodness it is you. Please Sir, take me to safety.' But to his amazement the priest hurried past pretending not to see or hear him.

As the poor, injured man grew weaker and weaker in the burning midday sun, he once again heard footsteps. Looking up he saw a Levite, another of his own people. 'Please Sir, please help me', he called out. Surely this Levite would take pity on him, but to his horror the Levite just kept on walking.

The man had almost given up hope when he felt a gentle touch on his shoulder. A stranger, a Samaritan, had bent down beside him and was bandaging his wounds and giving him sips of water to drink. The Samaritan helped the man on to his own donkey and slowly, carefully took him all the way to an inn. There he paid the innkeeper to look after the man until he was well. The man never forgot the **compassion** and kindness of the Samaritan stranger."

"Who do you think was a good neighbour?" asked Jesus.

Bible story based on Luke 10:29-37



QUIZ The Stranger on the road was kind....

Change one letter in the word to answer the next clue.

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|---|------|
| The traveller was attacked as he walked along the | ROAD |
| Watching from the rocks was a small creature like a frog | ---- |
| The Samaritan ____ the innkeeper to look after the man | ---- |
| The Samaritan acted with courage. He was ____ | ---- |
| We sometimes talk about the ____ of friendship (rhymes with pond) | ---- |
| Wrap tightly with a bandage (rhymes with find) | ---- |
| The Samaritan in the story was | ---- |

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Important dates

Mon 4th May

Bank Holiday
School Closed

Wed 6th May

Chestnut Anglo
Saxon Day

Mon 11th May

Year 6 SATs Week

25th May - 29th May

Half-term break

Mon 1st June

Summer Term 2
starts

Tues 2nd June

District Sports
(no spectators
unfortunately)
Chestnut & Oak

Wed 3rd June

Maple visit to
Bristol Zoo

Thurs 4th June

Tempest
Photography
Leavers
&
Class Photos

Wed 10th June

Year 6
Leavers service
Gloucester
Cathedral

Mon 15th June

Sports Day
Maple & Willow AM
Chestnut & Oak PM

Wed 30th June

Year 6
Kingshill Ready Day

Wed 30th June

Fresh Air Sculpture
Show visit
Chestnut

Friday 3rd July

Summer Fete
3:30-6:30
All welcome

**Tues 7th & Wed 8th
July**

Oak End of Year
Production:
Cinderella

Thurs 16th July

Leavers Service
at Church
All Welcome

Fri 17th July

Last day of term
Finish at
1:30

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