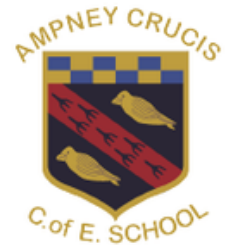


Ampney Crucis C of E Primary Newsletter #17



Date: 8th May 2026

Value of the term: Compassion

Chestnut Anglo-Saxon Day

On Wednesday an Anglo-Saxon came to Chestnut! The Anglo-Saxon man told us lots about Anglo-Saxons such as Medieval medication, how they fought, what they wore (we even got to try a helmet and some clothes on) and what they ate.

Fun Facts:

- The Anglo-Saxons made their homes out of poo, mud and straw
- The Anglo-Saxons spoke old English

The man said he travelled 1440 years to join us. It all was amazing!

- Annabelle -



Summer Fete

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

There will be 2 Dress Down Days (non-uniform) in exchange for donations for the fete stalls.

Friday 5th June - New/unused toys

Friday 19th June - a bottle (unopened drink)

Collective Worship

In worship we talked about Sir David Attenborough, a famous naturalist and broadcaster, as he is celebrating his 100th birthday. For over 70 years, he has created and presented programmes that help people understand animals, nature, and the planet. The Bible teaches that humanity has been given a special responsibility to protect and care for the world around us. Even the smallest acts of kindness toward our environment can make a big difference.

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Nature Quiz Success

On Tuesday 5th May, our Nature Quiz team once again took part in the Gloucestershire Nature Quiz.

As in previous rounds, the team performed brilliantly. They did exceptionally well, finishing just one point behind last year's champions before the specimen round, an outstanding achievement.

A big thank you goes to Mrs Chadwick for accompanying the team to their heats, and to Leo's mum for the time, support and encouragement she has given the team throughout the year.

Well done to all involved, we are very proud of you!



At our school, we recognise that children learn in different ways. Some pupils benefit from small adjustments that help them to feel calm, focused and ready to learn. These supports are put in place carefully and thoughtfully by staff.

Fidget resources

For children who need them, fidget resources are provided by school as part of agreed support strategies. These resources are used to support focus, self-regulation and engagement with learning.

To ensure consistency and fairness, fidget toys are not to be brought in from home. School-provided resources are chosen carefully to reduce distraction and support learning.

We kindly ask parents not to send in fidgets.

We work closely with families to support children's individual needs. If you have concerns about your child's focus or regulation, please speak to the class teacher in the first instance.

Children may notice that some classmates have access to different resources. These differences are part of how we ensure every child gets what they need to succeed. We encourage kindness, understanding and respect for everyone's learning journey.

Movement Breaks and Physical Regulation

All children benefit from regular opportunities to move. This may include daily mile, outdoor breaks and short movement activities between lessons. These support concentration, wellbeing and readiness to learn.

Some children need additional or more frequent movement breaks as part of their support.

These may be planned movement times, short purposeful breaks or adult-supported activities. Individual movement breaks are not rewards or privileges; they are support strategies that help children regulate so they can return to learning successfully.

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Important dates

Mon 11th May

Year 6 SATs Week

Mon 18th May

Chestnut & Oak
Girls
Football

In school 1-3pm

Tues 19th May

Final 'Sportily'
lunchtime session
for Year 5

Tues 19th May

Maple
Forest School
session
parents invited
2pm

Fri 22nd May

Willow Class
Cooking Club
morning

25th May - 29th May

Half-term break

Mon 1st June

Summer Term 2
starts

Tues 2nd June

District Sports
Chestnut & Oak

(no spectators
unfortunately)

Wed 3rd June

Maple visit to
Bristol Zoo

Thurs 4th June

Tempest
Photography

Leavers
&
Class Photos

Fri 5th June

Dress Down Day
in exchange
for
**a toy for the
summer fete**

Wed 10th June

Year 6
Leavers service
Gloucester
Cathedral

Mon 15th June

Sports Day
Maple & Willow AM
Chestnut & Oak PM

Fri 19th June

Dress Down Day
in exchange
for
**a bottle for the
summer Fete**

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 pm
All welcome

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

Oak End of Year
Production:
Cinderella
6:30pm

Thurs 16th July

Leavers Service
at Church

9:30am
All Welcome

Fri 17th July

Last day of term

Finish at
1:30

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