

MESSAGE FROM MR REID

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What a difference a week makes! It has been a challenging week for children and staff having to manage self isolation and remote learning once again. I am always so impressed by how everyone responds to such last minute disruption. We will continue to keep the whole school updated regarding any future cases.

SCHOOL REPORTS

If your child is in school they will be **bringing home their end of year school report today**. Please read the covering note included regarding NFER scores if your child is in Years 3, 4 and 5 as these scores can often cause confusion.

SPORTS DAY

Further to my letter yesterday please could I request that **only parents and pre school children attend**. I am aware that many secondary schools and private schools are now finished. Please could **older siblings not attend** to help minimise the amount of people present.

ROSE CLIFTON MEMORIAL CRICKET MATCH

The annual cricket match between Mr Reid's team and the Year 6 parents will take place on **Wednesday 21st July at 5.00pm**. Please could I request that **only parents of children in Year 6 attend**. There is not the capacity at Holmesdale Cricket Club to manage a larger group safely. If you are attending **please supervise your children** and be vigilant of not being hit by a cricket ball.

DAVID HALE

I would like to **take this opportunity to thank David Hale publicly** for all he has done as Chair of Governors at Amherst School over the last 13 years. I have been **very fortunate** to work alongside such a skilled and experienced Chair. David always managed the difficult blend of challenge and support superbly. Louise Austin took over as Chair from 1st July and we are fortunate that David has agreed to stay on as a governor. **Thank you David for working so hard to support all children and staff at Amherst over such a long period of time.**

BOWLES OUTDOOR CENTRE

Year 6 had a wonderful day last Friday at **Bowles Outdoor Centre**. It was a brilliant end to their Activity Week and I am so pleased all children were able to take part before the disruption of this week. Thank you to all the staff and governors that attended and helped enable the children to have such a super week. There were some rather tired pupils and staff by the end!

I hope you **have a good weekend and enjoy some sunshine.**



NOTICES

SPORTS DAY— DATE CHANGE

Parents are welcome to attend Sports Day on Tuesday 20 July 2021.

* **Start at 2.00pm** and gates open at **1.50pm**
Parents with pre-school siblings and babies are welcome to bring them along—all other siblings should please stay at home.



OPEN EVENTS

Secondary School open events have been updated—please have a look [here](#) if your child is in year 5 & 6 from September.



TOKYO

5,945 mi

Distance from Sevenoaks to Tokyo

We have travelled **4936 miles** - please log all your miles for sports done (cycling, running, walking, rugby, football and netball + others) so we can get to TOKYO by the end of term!

Please [click here](#) to submit your miles **now!**

1009 miles to go!!!



AMHERST JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB— REGISTER INTEREST

Please register your interest for AJFC's football club on Saturdays - Chipstead Common. Click [here](#).

Website: <http://www.amherstfc.co.uk/>



MENU CHANGE

Please note that we have changed the RED MEAL for the last day of school (Wednesday, 21 July 2021) to PIZZA!



BARNFIELD RD CLOSURE

Barnfield Road will be closed for two days from 19/07 to 20/07.



PLEASE RETURN

Please return all the following to school.

- library books
- Lunch bands
- Merit badges
- Sports kit



CLEAR BALANCES

Please can you make sure all balances are cleared on your child's www.schoolgateway.com account:

- Lunch Money
- Breakfast & After School Club Balances



FIRST DAY BACK— SEPT '21

We look forward to seeing all your children back on Thursday the 2nd September 2021.

THURSDAY

2.9.21

VACANCIES

Please click on [Kent Teach](#) to see our list of vacancies:

Breakfast Club Assistant—part time



YEAR 5

HEVER CASTLE TRIATHLON



YEAR 6 - BOWLES



MUSIC ASSEMBLY



YEAR 3 HORTON KIRBY



STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to all our STARS of this week!

3A	Isla K
3S	Annie R
3W	Lyla M
4C	Caitlin J
4SF	The Whole Class
4W	Sammy W

5A	Olivia W
5B	Emma G
5J	Eleanor H
6B	Lilya D
6D	Lucy S
6P	Willow W

MUSIC

Congratulations to the following children:

Lilian K	—	Grade 2 Flute	—	Merit
Henry F	—	Grade 2 Recorder	—	Merit
Edie A	—	Grade 2 Violin	—	Merit
Edward H	—	Grade 2 Piano	—	Distinction
Connor L	—	Grade 1 Electric Guitar	—	Merit
Rosie F	—	Grade 1 Piano	—	Merit

PTA

The sun is out and over 275 children will enjoy an **ice cream** this afternoon! Thanks so much for all your orders and to **5A** for organising and sponsoring this fun event for our children!

The PTA are delighted to announce the winners for the **Amherst Young Photographer of the Year 2021**. All winners will receive a framed copy of their photo and a £5 book token to be used locally at Sevenoaks Book Shop. Congratulations to the following winners:

TBC - 3W -	Best Dressed Cool Dude
Josh M 4W -	Waggiest Tail
Gemma R 6P -	All Sorts
Charlotte B 4FS -	Amazing Action
Eva P 6P -	Dazzling Duos
Zac S 5B -	Funniest Photo
Isabella L 4FS -	Going Wild
Grace W 3W -	Grumpiest Cat
Rose P 6B -	Most Hilarious Facial Expression
Autumn J 3W -	Dreamiest Eyes
Elise A 6D -	Best Friends



Overall winner and this years “Amherst Young Photographer of the Year 2021” is

GRACE WILLIAMS 3W with her photo GRUMPIEST CAT

Well done to everyone who took part, the photos were brilliant and a joy to look at.

More and more parents have asked us how they can get their hands on one of our fab **Team Amherst car window stickers** which were part of the Father's Day buckets. You can **order them** for £ 2.00 via PTA events and they will be delivered to you via your child in school before the end of this school year.



Have a good weekend.

Your PTA Team

EVENTS / COMMUNITY

Please click on the images to find more information:



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Veni. Didici. Vici.

We came. We Learnt. We Conquered.

Join Invicta's Summer Academy to Reconnect!

Invicta National Academy, supported by Kent County Council, is delighted to announce the return of their successful summer programme to which all of your pupils are invited.

Invicta Summer Academy will offer **free** daily, live, interactive, online teaching, delivered by fully qualified teachers which will help Kent children reconnect this summer. Students do not have to sign up to all the lessons - they have the flexibility to choose which areas of maths and/or English they want to practise and which lessons to attend. Each weekday morning from Monday 26 July until Friday 27 August there will be 5 maths lessons at 10am and 5 English lessons at 11am. Lessons are divided into key stage 1, lower key stage 2, upper key stage 2, key stage 3 and key stage 4.

Lessons are fun and effective, delivered via Zoom webinars using any device. Our two-professional online teaching model is engaging and safe. All Kent school students up to the age of 16 years are invited.

Alongside our fun teaching in core subjects, we are also inviting students to get moving with our free fitness blast each day at 9.30am. Our 'Wellbeing Wednesday' programme at 12 noon is aimed at helping students fill up their 'emotional tank'. These sessions will include outdoor activities, the environment and connecting with nature, culminating in the Invicta Summer Competition - '**Inspire us to be good to the environment**' with £750 worth of cash prizes.

Invicta's Summer Academy aims to help students return to the classroom in September feeling calm, confident and refreshed.

To book lessons go to:

www.invictaacademy.com

For more information on this or other aspects and activities of Kent County Council's Reconnect programme for Summer 2021 go to: <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/reconnect>

OUR FIRST CAMPS OPEN NEXT WEEK!!

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