

AMHERST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MR REID

BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION

Today we welcomed Rebecca Honey from the British Heart Foundation to join this morning's Achievement Assembly. **We have now raised an impressive £10,058.75!**

Rebecca attended the sponsored swim and witnessed first hand how determined the children were to complete their own personal goals. She also commented on the **wonderful atmosphere of support and enthusiasm**. Amherst has a long history (over 40 years) of supporting the British Heart Foundation. Our collective donations over the years is **now approaching £200,000**. We should be very proud of this year's achievement and for helping add to the long legacy that has been created. **Thank you** for your generosity.

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Thank you

DAUGHTEROUS PARKING

I was contacted by a Witches Lane resident this week who quite rightly **highlighted a range of dangerous parking issues outside the school**. There is a **genuine concern** that a **child will be injured due to illegal parking** which causes other drivers to swerve out of their lane. Some parents have started parking parallel to the parking bay, effectively stopping in the road while they wait for their child to come out of school.



Please could we work together to not park illegally and create a safer environment for our children when they leave school. We are aware that parking is limited so why not park a little further away from school and enjoy a short walk?

If you are able to walk to school I encourage you to please do so.

DISTRICT SPORTS

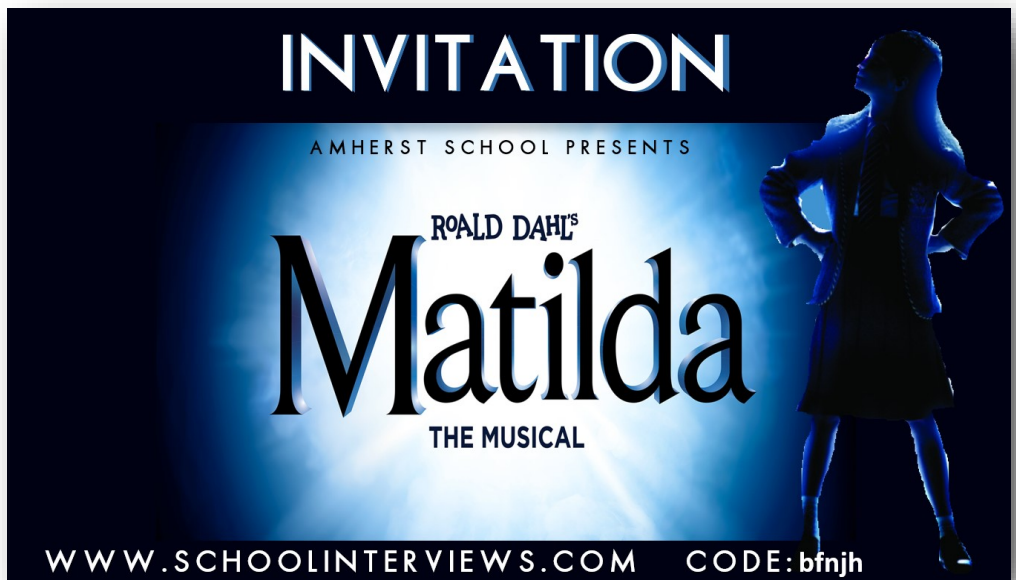
On Wednesday Amherst took part in the **Sevenoaks Sports Partnership District Sports**. Twenty one primary schools participated at Knole Academy. Schools competed in three groups depending on their pupil numbers. Amherst organise this event with the support of Clare Strange. This was the first one for two years and it was wonderful to have over **1000 people attending!**



It was a highly competitive and good natured evening of races and field events. Amherst came second, narrowly losing out to Anthony Roper. **Well done to all Amherst children that took part and represented the school with pride**. Thank you to parents who attended for their support too.

I hope the sunny weather continues and you have a good weekend.

NOTICES



**BOOK
NOW**

MATILDA BOOKINGS

Bookings for Matilda will open at 5.00pm today. Seating remains **limited to two tickets per family** across all 4 shows.

Please book your tickets via www.schoolinterviews.co.uk - booking code: **bfnjh**



SPACES FOR SEPTEMBER

We have spaces in our new Breakfast Club from September 2022 on both Monday and Friday mornings. If you are interested please [complete our booking form](#).



YEAR 5 – KENT TEST REGISTRATION

If you would like your child to sit the Kent test on **8th September 2022**, please make sure YOU register them here: [KENT TEST REGISTRATION](#)
Registration closes at **MIDNIGHT** tonight, 1 July 2022.



MATILDA

Mr Clarke would like all children to access our **MUSIC Google Classroom** to view the words, learn and sing along to the songs.

1. Go to <https://classroom.google.com>
2. Sign in with your Google Classroom username and password
3. Click the **+ sign** in the right corner
4. or type in Class Code: **ldh7i2y**



VACANCIES

Please [click here](#) to see our current vacancies.



LUNCH BANDS – PLEASE RETURN

Please can children return all lunch bands to school.



FUTURE DATES

- 04 July — 3MW Horton Kirby
- 04 July — Year 6 Kent Police
- 05 July — 3W Horton Kirby
- 06 July — 3B Horton Kirby
- 07 July — Transition day for all children
- 09 July — Amherst PTA Summer BBQ
- 11 July — Matilda —Dress Rehearsal 1.45pm
- 12 July — Matilda —Matinee Performance 1.45pm
- 13 July — Matilda —Evening Performance 7.00pm
- 14 July — Matilda —Evening Performance 7.00pm
- 20 July — Sports Day 1.30—3.30pm
- 21 July — End of Term

PTA

Dear Parents,

AMHERST SUMMER BBQ 9TH JULY

We look forward to celebrating the end of the school year with you at our Summer BBQ.

Tickets and tokens can now be purchased on the PTA -events website. Make sure to bring the whole family, it's going to be a fantastic event!

This year you can buy **10 tokens for £10**, to be spent on the Waffles, Ice Cream, Slushies & Candy Floss, and Sweeties stalls.

The **Bar and BBQ** will take cash or card payments, and children can use their tokens for soft drinks.

If you are able to help with **Matchfunding**, please contact amherst-chair@outlook.com



Amherst Year 6 Leavers Festival poster. It features a large disco ball in the center. Text around the disco ball includes 'GLOW STICKS', 'GAMES', 'DJ', and 'UV Glow disc hosted by Captain Fantastic'. Below the disco ball, it says 'FRIDAY 15TH JULY 6PM TO 8PM'. The title 'Amherst Year 6 Leavers Festival' is written in a large, yellow, cursive font. At the bottom, it says 'BAT & BALL CENTRE FREE ADMISSION!' and 'PLEASE BOOK YOUR CHILDS PLACE AT WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/AMHERSTPTA'.

TEAM AMHERST hoodies and water bottles

The last day for ordering Team Amherst water bottles and hoodies is **midnight on 25th July 2022**.

Remember that Team Amherst Hoodies can be worn as part of our school uniform for PE and sports competitions.



Amherst School's End of Term Ice Lolly Sale poster. It features a large yellow lolly in the top left corner. The title 'END OF TERM ICE LOLLY SALE' is written in large, pink, block letters. Below the title, it says 'Thursday 21st July at 3:30 pm'. The price '£1' is shown in a pink font. The text 'Order online: www.pta-events.co.uk /amherstpta' is written in blue. At the bottom, it says 'Advanced orders only' and 'Orders close at midnight on 19th July'. There are also illustrations of yellow lollies at the bottom.



Amherst School's Summer BBQ poster. It features a large burger in the top right corner. The title 'AMHERST SCHOOL'S SUMMER BBQ' is written in large, red, block letters. Below the title, it says 'SATURDAY 9TH JULY' and '4PM TO 8PM'. The text 'Advance Family Tickets £20 (£25 on the day)' is written in red. The text 'Available now via www.ptaevents.co.uk/amherstpta' is written in red. At the bottom, it says 'Buy a bag of 10 tokens for £10' and 'Tokens can be used for Candy Floss, Waffles, Sweeties, Ice creams, & Slushies.' There is also an illustration of a waffle and a slushie.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS DISCO – Festival theme

All year 6 children are invited to our **Leavers Disco** hosted by Captain Fantastic — the theme is “Festival”, come dressed to impress under the UV GLOW lights! The event is free, but each child **MUST** book on PTA-Events. We also need **parental consent for photography**, which can be done at the checkout.



Team Amherst hoodies and water bottles advertisement. It features a white background with the text 'TEAM AMHERST Join the squad...' at the top. Below this, it says 'Hoodies & Personalised water bottles' and 'Order via www.ptaevents.co.uk /amherstpta'. The price 'Hoodies £22' and 'Special edition water bottles £15' is listed. The text 'Orders close 25th July 2022' is at the bottom. There are three images of children wearing blue hoodies with 'TEAM AMHERST' written on them. There are also three images of silver water bottles with 'Team Amherst' and 'Thomas Frazier' written on them.

Please book your tickets and place your orders via our PTA EVENTS website:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/amherstpta>

We look forward to seeing you at these events which are organised and run by your PTA to raise funds for our fabulous school. Please support as many events as you can!

STAR OF THE WEEK

3B	Jessica P
3MW	George B
3W	Maddie M
4C	TBC
4SF	TBC
4S	TBC

5A	Lauren D
5J	Arnav S
5S	Jonah C
6B	Jaydon H & Dylan D
6H	Ava T
6SB	Emma G

RECORDER CONCERT

Well done to all children in Year 4 who took part in the recorder concert.

It was a great opportunity to perform and demonstrate all that they have learnt. Thank you to all parents that attended to provide support. The recorder is a wonderful instrument in its own right and also can be a good stepping stone to learn other wind instruments.



FENCING

Congratulations to **Gabriel K** who took part in his first fencing competition and won a GOLD medal in his age-group! It was very hot with fast and furious bouts which were not without the odd scrape.

Great achievement Gabriel—well done!



FOOTBALL

Congratulations to our school **football team** that were successful in winning the Sevenoaks Sports Partnership football league!

They performed consistently across the whole season only losing one game. Well done to the whole squad for training so hard each week. Thank you to Mr Barratt and Mr Taylor for their support coaching the squad. Their football management jobs are safe for another year!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Please click on the pictures to see more information.



SUMMER TENNIS CAMPS

Venue:
Chipstead Place Lawn Tennis Club, The Old Garden Road, TN13 2RJ

Dates:
Tuesday 2nd - Friday 5th of August
Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th of August
Tuesday 16th - Friday 19th of August
Tuesday 23rd - Friday 26th of August

Times:
9am-11am (5-9 Years)
11.15am-1.15pm (10-16 Years)

Cost (All 4 Days):
£60 Club Members/ £70 Non-Members

TO BOOK OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT ADAM REAVELEY (ART Ltd)

Email: adam@artennis.co.uk
Phone: 07966130242

For details of other regular classes please visit the website:
www.artennis.co.uk

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!

The Art of tennis

Kent Junior Chess Association

Sunday 3rd July 2022

Bishop Justus School, Magpie Hall Ln, Bromley BR2 8HZ

Five Round Rapidplay Tournament - 20+5

ECF rated: U8, U10, U12, U18 Minor, U18 Major



FUSION CHEER CAMP

£35 PER DAY

JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER CHEER CAMP

Knole Academy, Sevenoaks - 9th, 10th and 11th August 9:00-15:00

Cranbrook Rugby club - 16th, 17th and 18th August 9:00-15:00

www.fusioncheerleaders.co.uk/book-online



RECONNECT

Kent Children and Young People

FREE Family Bus Pass

The free Reconnect Family Bus Pass is back for Summer 2022, thanks to our local bus operators.

These passes, for use between 23rd July - 31st August 2022, are intended for families who cannot attend summer activities due to a lack of transport.

All families with children who live in Kent can apply for a digital pass on the [Reconnect website](https://reconnect.kent.gov.uk) from 20th July.

If you do not have a smartphone, you will be able to pick up a printed pass from a [collection point](#) from 20th July whilst stocks last.

Visit [our website](https://reconnect.kent.gov.uk) for more information or contact reconnect.kentcyp@kent.gov.uk / 03000 423423.

Discover more kent.gov.uk/reconnect



Reconnect

Affordable activities available for young people

	Reconnect Membership available for all under 16s	Reconnect 2 Membership available for select groups
Weekend swimming:		
Public Swim	£1.45	£1.00
Family Swim	£9.00	£7.50
Inflatable Session	£2.15	£1.50
Day/late:		
Badminton	Peak price £14.95 Off-peak price* £3.55	Peak price £14.95 Off-peak price* £4.00
Table Tennis	Peak price \$6.95 Off-peak price* \$3.95	Peak price \$8.00 Off-peak price* \$2.60
Basketball (Sevenoaks only) (Sunday 19.15 - 20.45)	£2.50	£1.50
Squash (Edenbridge only)	Peak price \$9.35 Off-peak price* \$3.15	Peak price \$9.35 Off-peak price* \$2.00
Teen Workout (14-18s)	£4.40	£3.00
Gym Induction	£5.00	£5.00
All-in-One membership (14-21s)	3 months: £60	3 months: FREE

All activities are subject to availability and our centre rules of usage.
* Rates available off-peak only: 9am - 5pm Monday - Friday and 11am - close on Saturday and Sunday.

Learn more:

sencio.org.uk/reconnect



Reconnect is a Kent County Council led, community based programme designed to get Kent's children and young people thriving following the pandemic.



Scan the QR code to find out more



Get tangled in this hair-larious family musical adventure!

Immersion Theatre

'Brilliant. Lots of magic, sparkle and audience participation made it totally engaging'

MUSIC DIRECTORS

Rapunzel



EMMETTS GARDEN
TUESDAY 23RD AUGUST • 4PM

Box Office: 0344 249 1895 • nationaltrust.org.uk/emmetts-garden
Ide Hill, Sevenoaks, TN14 6BA

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IS NOW
OPEN FOR BOOKING

Dear Invicta Parents & Carers,

We are excited to announce that our free summer 22 programme is now open for booking so click here to book your place!

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