

AMHERST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MR REID

TRANSITION

Transition Week!

This week has been a **busy week of transition** for all year groups. Many of our **Year 6 pupils** visited their **secondary school yesterday** for a transition day. I'm sure they were full of a range of emotions, that strange mixture of excitement and nervousness. The children are well prepared and ready for this next stage in their school journey.

Yesterday was also transition day within school. **Each class spent the morning session with their new teacher.** It was wonderful to see the children excitedly lined up ready to go into their new classroom.

Our new Year 3 children have had two opportunities this week to spend time at Amherst. It has been great to welcome all new children that do not attend Riverhead too.

An effective transition programme is vital to enable the children to feel positive about joining Amherst in September. **On Tuesday** we welcomed Year 2 children to their 'Buddy Olympics'. The Year 5 Buddies had created a range of fun sporting activities for them to complete on the field. The Year 5s were fantastic at making their buddies feel welcome and looked after them superbly throughout the afternoon.

On Thursday our new Year 3 children returned to meet their new teacher. Time was spent in classrooms and then the children enjoyed their first playtime at Amherst on the field with the whole school. Again, the Year 5 children were wonderful at looking after their Year 2 Buddy. There were lots of joint games, use of the Trim Trail and impromptu races on the running track.

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SUMMER BBQ

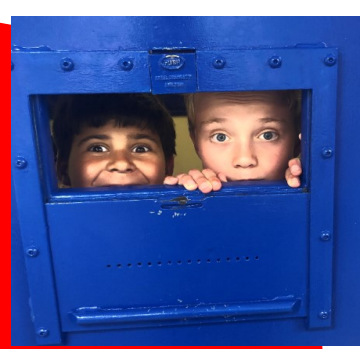
I look forward to seeing lots of you tomorrow at the Summer BBQ. The weather forecast looks great and I'm sure it will be a wonderful event.

AMHERST SCHOOL'S

SUMMER BBQ



YEAR 6
KENT
POLICE



YEAR 4 HAMPTON COURT



YEAR 3 HORTON KIRBY



NOTICES



AMHERST SUMMER BBQ

Those with pre-paid tickets and tokens, your names will be on a list at the gate tomorrow and tokens will be given to you upon entrance.



MATILDA TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

We still have **tickets available** for the **Dress Rehearsal and Matinee Performance** on Monday and Tuesday both at 1.45pm. Please call the school office to make your booking.



MATILDA PERFORMANCES— REMEMBER!!

- Please remember to bring your **mobile phone (charged)** and ready to **show your ticket at the door**.
- **EVENING PERFORMANCE DROP OFF:**
 - * 6.45pm Years 3-5
 - * 6.30pm Year 6
- **EVENING PERFORMANCE PICK UP:**
 - * After the Dress Rehearsal on Monday, we will have a better idea of the timing of the performance and will communicate a final pick up time.
 - * Collection will be from your child's class. In the case of siblings, please collect from your eldest child's class.



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](#).

VACANCY

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



LUNCH BANDS – PLEASE RETURN

Please can children return all lunch bands to school.



FUTURE DATES

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

18 July — Whole School French Day

19 July — Year 5 Greek Day

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

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

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

Get your tickets & tokens now!



AMHERST SCHOOL'S SUMMER BBQ

SATURDAY 9TH JULY
4PM TO 8PM

Advance Family Tickets £20 (£25 on the day)
Available now via
www.ptaevents.co.uk/amherstpta

Buy a bag of 10 tokens for £10
Tokens can be used for Candy Floss, Waffles, Sweeties, Ice creams, & Slushies.





IT IS GOING TO BE **SUPER WARM** TOMORROW!

Bring your gazebo's and umbrellas

There is limited shade under the trees!





Amherst School's

END OF TERM ICE LOLLY SALE

Thursday 21st July at 3:30 pm

£1 Order online:
www.pta-events.co.uk/amherstpta



Advanced orders only
Orders close at midnight on 19th July



GLOW STICKS

WU Flow disc hosted by Captain Fantastic

Games

DJ



FRIDAY 15TH JULY 6PM TO 8PM

Amherst Year 6 Leavers Festival

BAT & BALL CENTRE
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STAR OF THE WEEK

3B	Jessica S
3MW	Imrie L-G
3W	Daisy V
4C	Jack T
4SF	Molly G
4S	Hector B

5A	William K & Sol H
5J	All of 5J
5S	Charlie S
6B	Oliver B
6H	Angie d T & Amaia B
6SB	George B

SWIMMING

A few weekends ago, Ava T (6H) competed with her team at the Kent County Artistic Swimming Championships, and her Under 12 team won gold in the division 1 competition.

On Saturday the same team competed in the National Combo cup, and the team again took gold - beating 15 other excellent teams from all around the country.

Well done Ava!



GYMNASTICS

On Sunday, Felicity B (4S) competed in the JGA junior athletics championships in Guildford and came 6th in her category, representing Spectrum Gymnastics in front of 950 other gymnasts and parents.

She was in group with around 40 others and this was her first proper competition; she was very nervous but what a fantastic result!

Well done Felicity!



SWIMMING

On Wednesday evening, the inter-schools swimming gala took place at Sevenoaks Leisure Centre. There were thirteen schools from the local district represented with each placed in different heats depending upon the number of pupils in Key Stage Two. Amherst swam in the large schools' heat against Lady Boswells, Otford and Sevenoaks Primary. There were wins in the Under 10 boys breast stroke, under 10 girls front crawl, Under 11 boys back stroke and freestyle relay. The final results were very close with Amherst scoring 30 points in second place and Lady Boswells' 34 in first. Well done to all the swimmers in our team.

The team were: Zac S, Luca RH, Daniel B, Bronagh M, Alex E, Sofia V, Dane R, Otto WS, Freddie F, Jeanne R, Harper W, Georgia C.



CRICKET

On Wednesday afternoon our Year 5/6 cricket team played a hardball fixture against St. Michael's Prep School. Amherst batted first and scored 158 off their 20 overs, with all batsman contributing. Some tight bowling and good fielding restricted St. Michael's to 118. A well deserved victory! Congratulations to Max P, Ewan S, Oscar A, Jonathan B, Lucas D, Harry D, Shabd L, Taylor H, Robin G, Peter W and Joe S.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Please click on the pictures to see more information.

The Festival Theatre
at HEVER CASTLE

heverfestival.co.uk 07379 488477

JUNE - SEPTEMBER

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A scenic 7-mile, multi-terrain run through the beautiful but challenging Knole Park
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SUNDAY 10 JULY | 9.00am

Race HQ: Sevenoaks Rugby Club
To enter online and for further details:
http://register.enthuse.com/ps/events/Sevenoaks7/2022

Also 2.5 km race for juniors (age 9-15)

Profits donated to Dame Kelly Holmes Trust

UP & RUNNING DAME KELLY HOLMES TRUST

Summer school holiday fun
4 – 12-year-olds

Premier Football School are delighted to announce they are running a kid's football school in Tonbridge this summer at the Weald of Kent Grammar School from **Wednesday 10th – Friday 12th August** for boys and girls aged 4 - 12 of all abilities. Parents simply drop-off at 10.00am and pick up at 3.30pm. The fee is just £13 per day and all children who attend receive a trophy! Activities include a kids World Cup tournament and a penalty shootout competition with prizes! We are a non-elitist grass roots organisation and children play in groups according to their age and abilities in a fun safe environment. Should you wish to book, please visit www.premierfootballschool.co.uk or call 07821 573837.



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Kent

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