

AMHERST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

7TH EDITION 20 OCTOBER 2022

HAPPY HALF TERM

We wish you a **good and restful half term**. We look forward to seeing all the children back at school on **Monday 31st October 2022**.

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NOTICES



PTA NEWSLETTER

Please find our first PTA Newsletter for the year by clicking here:
[PTA October 2022 Newsletter](#)



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR COLLECTION — 4 NOVEMBER

Please can you bring in any **donations for our Chocolate Tombola** on Friday 4 November. It is best if it does **not have alcohol or nuts** and are **in date** please!



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS ARE READY

Please order your school photos now via the proof card your child brought home — please click on www.getphotos.co.uk.



YEAR 6 — SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

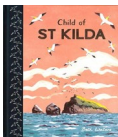
Please remember to submit all secondary school applications by midnight the 31st October via www.kent.gov.uk/ola.

Children with a confirmed EHCP should not make an application through this process as their placement will be arranged by the SEN team.



TRIP LETTERS - SENT THIS WEEK

Year 4 Battle Abbey - 4 November 2022
Year 6 Residential to Hilltop - 12-16 June 2023



CHILD OF ST KILDA — SEVENOAKS BOOKSHOP

If you would like to order a copy of the new 'whole school' book, Sevenoaks Bookshop have it available.



XMAS4SCHOOLS

Please note that all Xmas4Schools **artwork** deadline has been extended. Artwork should be handed in to school on the **31st October** — **FINAL DAY!**

ASK

Amherst School Kitchen

LUNCH MENU — NEXT TERM

We will come back on **WEEK 1** of the menu.

Please ensure you top up your child's lunch money account — www.schoolgateway.com. Costs are:

FUTURE DATES

20 October	— Term 1 Ends
21 October	— Inset Day
31 October	— Term 2 Starts
4 November	— Year 4 Battle Abbey Trip
4 November	— Bazaar collection: Chocolate
8 November	— PTA meeting - 8pm
7-11 November	— Poppy Appeal
11 November	— PTA Quiz night
11 November	— Open afternoon (Whole school)
15 November	— Parent Consultations
16 November	— Parent Consultations
18 November	— Children in Need
21– 23 November	— Book Fair
25 November	— Clubs End
25 November	— PTA Uniform & Christmas Jumper Sale
28– 29 November	— Year 3 Rocks Day workshops
3 December	— PTA Bazaar
12 December	— Carol Service
14 December	— Pantomime trip
15 December	— Christmas Lunch
16 December	— Term 2 Ends



SPORT

CRICKET

Congratulations to Robin G who has been selected to play for Kent County Cricket team. He completed several challenging trials at the Kent ground in Canterbury and was successfully chosen to join the Under 12's team with winter training starting next month. This is a huge achievement having just turned 10 years old 3 months ago and competing against all secondary school boys.



AQUASPLASH

On Friday 14th October, six Year 3 children and six Year 4 children went to Sevenoaks School to compete in an **Aqua Splash swimming event**. The afternoon started with each child competing in an individual race in which all of them swam extremely well. This was then followed by some team relay races with the use of floats. The children had lots of fun during the rest of the afternoon using different equipment in the pool and came as runners up in the main competition. **Thank you to all the parents** that helped with travel and stayed and supported. **Also a huge well done to all the children:** Maddock M (3W), Imogen H (3W), Zachary G (3H), Valentina C-G (3H), Jasper F (3CL), Eloise P (3CL), Nathan I-C (4DB), Johana H (4DB), Isabe N (4SF), Joey S (4SF), Lia G-F (4C) and Richard L (4C).



TEAM AMHERST PTA

Parents,

Please click on the pictures to buy your tickets, book your tables and order your artwork for the upcoming events.

We appreciate your support very much!

Your Amherst PTA

[Amherst PTA Events Website](http://www.pta-events.uk/amherstpta)



The QUIZ night challenge is ON!!!

Make sure to book your class table to avoid disappointment!

Only 12 tables available!

Xmas 4 Schools

Create beautiful, personalised gifts and cards



Submission deadline extended to **31st October**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Please click on the pictures to see more information.



£20
Per Day

Sevenoaks School of Dance Dance Workshop

Monday 24th & Friday 28th October
10am till 3pm

Come and join us for some spooky fun!
Dance - Drama - Crafts - Games

@ Riverhead Infants School,
Sevenoaks TN13 2AS

Children ages 4 - 11 years

Contact: amy@sevenoaksdance.co.uk



OCTOBER HALF TERM!
TECH
HOLIDAY CAMP
ONE WEEK OF SPOOKY TECH FUN!

The New Beacon
Brittains Lane, Sevenoaks TN13 2PB
FIND YOUR NEAREST CAMP ON OUR WEBSITE
www.nextthing.education

CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

OCTOBER HALF TERM 2022

What's on?

- Building Robots & Crazy Coding
- Magical Minecraft & Insane Inventions
- LEGO & Eerie Engineering
- Vampire Videography & Virtual Reality
- Terrifying Tech Fun

Different activity theme each day, please check website for your camps activities

17TH - 21ST OCTOBER **LIMITED SPACES**
24TH - 28TH OCTOBER **LIMITED SPACES**
AGES 5 - 11. MULTI DAY BOOKING DISCOUNTS!

A great environment!
"My kids loved it and we've rebooked for the next camps in October. The staff were also super helpful. Would 10/10 recommend!"
St Bernadette Primary School

How to book

STEP 1
SCAN THE QR CODE



STEP 2
FIND YOUR NEAREST CAMP



STEP 3
USE OUR COUPON TO GET £5 OFF

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What to bring to camp

- Packed Lunch and Snacks (not essential)
- Water Bottle
- Medication if required
- Halloween Costume for Friday (optional)


www.nextthing.education

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for your generosity



Dear friends

On behalf of the Sevenoaks Loaves and Fishes Foodbank, I want to thank the children, parents and staff of Amherst Junior School for all the contributions made to your recent Harvest donations. The generosity and kindness shown has been totally inspiring.

We are extremely grateful for your donations to the Foodbank, which enables us to continually support these in our community who are struggling to make end meet. Thank you so much for playing a part in bringing help and hope to those in need.

Kind regards

Merrie Reynolds
Sevenoaks Loaves and Fishes Foodbank
Venue: St John's Church Hall,
St John's Church,
Quaker's Hall Lane,
Sevenoaks