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Amherst Primary School

Spring Newsletter

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Headteacher Message

The children have settled back into their classes and learning again during the first few weeks of Spring term.

As usual, we have a very busy term ahead and we have outlined below some of planned events and key dates for the weeks ahead.

There are also PTA events too, so watch out for these!

Some key events this term are the football and netball tournaments, Safer Internet Day, Eisteddfod Performances, Science Week, Rhubarb Theatre and of course Parents Evenings towards the end of this term!

If there's anything we can do to support you or your son or daughter, please contact us in the usual ways – all staff would be happy to help.

Best wishes,

Mr. Hind
Headteacher



School Uniform – Spring

White blouse or white polo shirt

Grey knee length skirt, pinafore dress, plain grey trousers

Amherst Primary School green sweatshirt or cardigan. White or grey socks or tights

Sensible black shoes - not boots or sandals.

PE Kit

'House Colour' T-Shirt and dark green shorts and trainers on days when children are timetabled to have PE. In winter black or dark green joggers may be worn instead of shorts.

Jewellery, dyed hair, fake tattoos and inappropriate shaved haircuts are **not** appropriate school uniform, but a simple, stud earring in each ear may be worn.

White or coloured trainers, non-uniform sweatshirts, boots, crocs or sandals, nail varnish, and elaborate headbands are also **not** part of our school uniform. We ask that long hair is always **tied back** appropriately.

For further uniform information and detail about the above, please see visit our school website using the link below...

<https://www.amherstprimary.co.uk/our-school-uniform/>

Seesaw

We hope that as parents, you have signed up to our school communication tool, which you can access on a phone, tablet, laptop or computer/PC.

If you haven't signed up to Seesaw – please do so and contact us at school for this quick and easy way to communicate with us and catch up on the latest information from school and track how your child is learning in class.

For more information on Seesaw, please see our school website...

<https://www.amherstprimary.co.uk/seesaw/>

Events this term

We have several things to look forward to this term including Eisteddfod. There are also a number of lunchtime and after school clubs for children to take part in if they are interested.

So please look out for these!

If you would like to help out in school, read to children, assist with trips and visits, support our PTA etc. (School Discos are this term!) then please get in touch and we can see how we can work together to help the children who come to Amherst!



KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY!

Wednesday 28 th January	Football Tournament [all day] [details to follow]
Friday 6 th February	Netball Tournament at Beau Sejour [pm] [details to follow]
Monday 9 th February	Year 1 and Year 5 Measurement programme [am] [details to follow]
	Bernie the Fire Engine in Year R [pm]
Tuesday 10 th February	Safer Internet Day [details to follow]
Thursday 12 th February	PTA School Discos [further details to follow]
Friday 13 th February	School breaks up for the half term holiday from 3.00pm
Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February	Spring Half Term Holiday
Monday 23 rd February	Children return to school after the half term holiday
Tuesday 3 rd March	Year 6 children take part in the De Putron Challenge [further details to follow]
Friday 6 th March	Netball Tournament at Beau Sejour [pm] [details to follow]
Week Beginning 9 th March	Year Group Eisteddfod Performances [details to follow]
	Science Week in school [details to follow]
Monday 16 th March	Rhubarb Theatre Visit in school for Year R [am]
Tuesday 24 th March	Parent Evening Appointments from 3.20pm to 6.00pm [further details to follow]
Thursday 26 th March	Parent Evening Appointments from 3.20pm to 6.00pm [further details to follow]
Friday 27 th March	Rhubarb Theatre Visit in school for Year 3 [am]
Friday 27 th March	End of Spring Term: School finishes at 1.00pm
Monday 30 th March	Easter Holidays
Monday 13 th April	OAT Day – Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 14 th April	Children return to school after Easter Holidays
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
Tuesday 5 th May onwards	Children in school as usual
Friday 8 th May	School Liberation Day Celebrations [details to follow]
Saturday 9 th May	Liberation Day
Friday 22 nd May	School breaks up for the half term holiday from 3.00pm
Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May	Summer Half Term Holiday
Friday 17 th July	End of Summer Term: School finishes at 1.00pm

School Times

Infants		Juniors	
8.30am	School opens	8.30am	School opens
8.45am	Start of the day and Register	8.45am	Start of the day and Register
12.00noon	Lunchtime	12.00 noon	Lunchtime
1.00pm	Start of the afternoon	1.00pm	Start of the afternoon
3.00pm	End of the School Day	3.00pm	End of the School Day



Please remember that we are an Operation Encompass school.

This is a scheme that runs across the UK in order to provide immediate support for children and young people who are involved in or witness domestic abuse incidents. We are pleased to advise you that schools and colleges in Guernsey and Alderney will be participating in this scheme, which is run jointly with Bailiwick Law Enforcement.

Operation Encompass enables information to be shared with Amherst Primary School prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced any domestic abuse. This allows Amherst Primary School to provide appropriate support, dependent on the needs and wishes of the child. The Designated Safeguarding Leads at Amherst Primary School have been trained to enable them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that Amherst Primary School is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have experienced a domestic abuse incident.

Should you wish to find out more about the scheme, details can be found at www.operationencompass.org.

