

THE FRIDAY POST



READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE, CURIOUS, INDEPENDENT, CONFIDENT, INVOLVED



Student Spotlight

Congratulations to Esmée for her win at the BMX British Championships. We are really impressed with Esmée's achievement and wish her all the best as she continues competing. If you have any celebrations you'd like to share with the community, please send them to our main Admin email so we can highlight them in our newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* Meet the new Headteacher

Our wonderful PTA will have food and inflatables on the KS1 playground **tomorrow** giving families an opportunity to meet Mrs Krisha Gandhi more informally. Come along any time from 12:00-14:00.

* Coffee Morning: New Headteacher

For those unable to join on Saturday, we will hold a mini coffee morning on Tuesday 16th September in the KS1 Hall from 08:30 - 09:30 as another opportunity to meet Krisha.

Spotlight: Ready, Respectful, Safe

Learning Together, Supporting Each Other

This week, we have been focusing on routines to help us work as class and year group teams. This has included introducing a Team Stop to ensure a consistent way across our school for pupils to know there is new information coming for everyone to be aware of. Team Stop includes an adult raising their hand with all pupils stopping and raising their hand too. When everyone has paused, hands are put down and information is shared. As a staff team, we have been blown away by pupils' responses to the introduction of Team Stop. By the end of Day 1, our EYFS to Y6 classes had all learned the routine! Our speediest class have mastered Team Stop in less than one second! This has allowed for a super safe start to school.



Message from the Headteacher

I'm really proud of the whole APS team this week. On Monday, Teachers and Leaders considered ambitious planning for the year ahead. On Tuesday, Support Staff joined us to ensure we all receive updated training for keeping our school safe. From Wednesday to Friday, it has been wonderful to see our pupils on site, enjoying getting to know their teachers, orienting themselves around school and enjoying socialising at play times.

— Mrs Gandhi





I am so proud of all of our pupils this week. They have been open-minded, committed to being respectful and have worked together as teams — Mr. Palmer

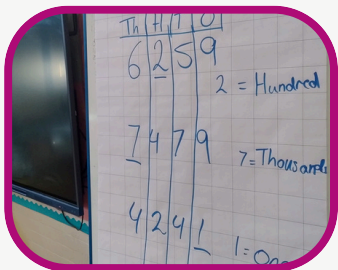
This Week in Pictures



Pupils are taking pride in our school environment. Emmy and Nusaybah chose to reorganise our telephone box library - a lovely act of kindness for others.



Our staff team have been checking in with pupils after the summer. We have also been exploring our emotions about the start of the new year.



In class, pupils have been recapping prior learning from previous years. Next week, our year groups will start to delve into new learning and knowledge.



The first new tiles were nailed in on Thursday! This is a wonderful milestone for our new roof. Thank you for your understanding with our new roof updates!

Coming Soon to APS!

VR will bring Ancient Egypt to life!

Next week, Year 4 will experience our first internal educational visit of the year with an opportunity to learn about their new topic in a very digital and creative way!



PE DAYS

This September, we are starting the first 4 days of school without cover teachers, so pupils have, for both this week and the first Monday of school, the opportunity to be with their most familiar teaching adult. This supports relationship building and routines. This means that **next week** we will run PE on a 4-day schedule. After that, we will move to a 5-day schedule and, as much as possible, aim to keep the PE days the same from Week 3 (week beginning 15.09.25) until the end of this half term.

PE Days for week beginning 08.09.2025

Class 1B Tuesday
Class 1O Tuesday
Class 1S Tuesday

Class 2G Monday
Class 2H Monday
Class 2K Monday

Class 3B Tuesday
Class 3K Tuesday
Class 3M Tuesday

Class 4R Wednesday
Class 4S Wednesday
Class 4T Wednesday

Class 5C Wednesday
Class 5H Wednesday
Class 5J Wednesday

Class 6B Thursday
Class 6I Thursday
Class 6G Friday

We will share a similar update next week for PE Days from Week 3 onwards. PE days will also be added to our Website Calendar.