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Monday 9 th June 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Rounders After School for all children with Sarah 3 - 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available until 5pm after Rounders.) After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Tuesday 10 th June 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Key Stage 2 Choir with Mrs Towers from 8.30am. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Wednesday 11 th June 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Dance Club for Reception and Year 1 (including Sapphire Year 1) in Amber Class from 8.30am led by Miss Covell. After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Thursday 12 th June 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Girls' Football Club with Hannah 3 – 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available after until 5pm.) KS2 Boys' Football Club after school with Ben 3 - 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available after until 5pm.) After School Club until 5pm. £5.
Friday 13 th June 2025	Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Circus themed After School Club Special until 5pm. £5. Family Friday on the playing field after school – you are very welcome to hang out after school.



WE PROMOTE STAFF WELL-BEING



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 18th June – Friday 20th June 2025: Year 6 Crazy Sleepover.

Monday 23rd June 2025: Aylsham High School Induction Evening for Parents.

Tuesday 24th June 2025: New Reception Parents Meeting at 9.15am.

Wednesday 25th June – Friday 27th June 2025: Induction days for Year 6 pupils going to Aylsham High School.

Wednesday 25th June: Ruby Class trip to the Royal Norfolk Show.

Tuesday 1st July 2025: Amber Class trip to the Bug Park.

Wednesday 2nd July 2025: Free Dress Day for tombola prizes for the Summer Fayre.

Friday 4th July 2025: Key Stage 2 Crazy Sleepover from 6pm! £10 per child.

Tuesday 8th July 2025: Eco Extravaganza Day – animal themed / eco themed dress up.

Friday 11th July 2025: Friends of Colby School Summer Fayre.

Tuesday 15th July 2025: Key Stage 2 Sport Afternoon – families very welcome.

Wednesday 16th July 2025: Amber and Sapphire Class Sport Afternoon – families very welcome.

Tuesday 22nd July 2025: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am (usually lasts 45 minutes to an hour).

Tuesday 22nd July 2025: School closes at 3pm for Summer holidays. No After School Club today.



Colby Kitchen June Menu

Monday 16 th June 2025	Cheese, vegetable and tomato pasta bake, served with garlic bread, peas and sweetcorn. Fruit.
Tuesday 17 th June 2025	Mince and vegetable chilli served in a jacket potato with cheese, carrots and green beans. Fruit.
Wednesday 18 th June 2025	BBQ chicken in a wholemeal wrap, served with vegetable cous-cous. Yoghurt and fruit.
Thursday 19 th June 2025	Sausage in a roll served with salad. Fruit or fruit loaf.
Friday 20 th June 2025	Pizza – cheese and pepperoni, served with salad sticks (carrots, peppers, cucumber) and humus. Fruit.
Monday 9th June 2025 Monday 23 rd June 2025	<i>Cheese and ham pasta bake in white sauce, served with garlic bread, peas and sweetcorn. Yoghurt and fruit.</i>
Tuesday 10th June 2025 Tuesday 24 th June 2025	<i>Mince and vegetable bolognese served in a jacket potato with cheese, carrots and green beans. Fruit.</i>
Wednesday 11th June 2025 Wednesday 25 th June 2025	<i>Sweet and sour chicken, served with rice and prawn crackers. Yoghurt and fruit.</i>
Thursday 12th June 2025 Thursday 26 th June 2025	<i>Meatballs in tomato sauce, served in a sub roll with salad. Yoghurt and fruit.</i>
Friday 13th June 2025 Friday 27 th June 2025	<i>Omega 3 fish fingers in a roll served with salad sticks (carrots, peppers, cucumber) and humus. Yoghurt and fruit.</i>



Headteacher Awards

Orin (Amber) for fantastic news writing about crab fishing

Evie (Sapphire) for super phonics

Rosa (Sapphire) for lovely English work

Mia (Sapphire) for brilliant concentration in English

Freya (Sapphire) for being Mrs. Frost's memory!

All of Year 1 in Sapphire for super time maths

Alannah, Etta, Felix and Louis (Sapphire) for wonderful 'ant' writing

Libby (Sapphire) for converting hours into minutes

Stanley B (Sapphire) for LOTS of super reading at home!

Evie and her baby sister (Sapphire)

for being amazing 'real' examples of the human life cycle in science!

Mia and Giles (Sapphire) for super time maths

All Sapphire for fantastic learning behaviour during our special baby visitor session

Oliver M (Emerald) for lots of fantastic homework

Emily, Charlotte and Rita (Emerald) for passing times tables tests

Olive (Emerald) for an amazing first attempt at European times tables

Noah (Emerald) for being kind to another child

Annie, Harry, Edward, Jaxson, Isobel and Phoebe (Emerald)

for legendary learning attitudes all week

Remy, Annie, Emily, Edward, Verity, Maia, Felix, Maya, Herbie and Oliver (Emerald)

for excellent seed growing in Science

JP, Ben, Leo, Herbie, Lily, Emily and Scarlett (Emerald) for amazing reading diaries!

Hudson (Ruby) for fantastic times tables

Jack (Ruby) for passing bronze times tables

James, Albert, Kate, Bertie, Isabelle, Harry, Isaac, Izzy, Barnaby, Lev,

Harris, Amber and Jack (Ruby)

for great formal letters

Harry, Reuben, Izzy, Barnaby, Verity, Margot, Lev, Harris, Hudson, Edgar (Ruby)

for a fantastic informal letter

Isabelle (Ruby) for a fantastic spelling assessment

James, Harris, Lev, Hudson, Eva, Flint, Harry (Ruby) for wonderful reading assessments

Anna (Amethyst) for 20/20 in spelling

George and Blake (Amethyst) for excellent English

Maths Homework

Year 1 and some Year 2 children have been finding out about the months of the year in our maths work. We have learnt a new song to help us to remember the order of the months. We have made our own calendars and added our birthdays on. Please help the children to record their family birthdays on their calendars. Bring your calendar back to school to share with us! The children are SO keen to do this! The calendar is coming home with your child in their bookbag.

Many thanks, Mrs. Frost

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fe9bnYRzFvk>





Amber Class Summer 2 Curriculum



Hello everyone! This half term Amber class will be working on the topic of 'Beaches' where we will explore lots about the seaside and under the sea. We will look at different animals that live there along with the things we can do at the seaside. We have already asked the children things that they would like to learn from this topic and they came up with some amazing questions including "Why is the sea salty?" and "What is the biggest sea creature?". Plus, we're intrigued to discover what sand is made of and how all those tiny grains come together to create our lovely beaches. It's going to be a fun learning adventure!

In English, Reception children have been doing amazing work practising reading and writing words. We are gradually building this up and looking at longer words with multi syllables. This term we will be writing sentences all about beaches and things we like to do while at the beach. We will continue to practise correct letter formation while writing our fantastic sentences. Year 1 pupils will explore lots of different texts and write all about beaches including writing post cards and letters. They will continue to practise their independent writing while writing facts and lists around the classroom. We will also use some prefixes and suffixes.

Reception children will be learning about different areas of maths through practical and fun activities. There will be lots of opportunities to count, read, recognise and order numbers to 20 both in the classroom and outside. We will continue to look at adding and subtracting numbers in lots of fun and practical ways along with exploring doubling and even/odd numbers. Year 1 children will continue to look at fractions before exploring place value up to 100, money and time. We do this through lots of practical methods and give the children lots of time to explore their new skills within the class.

In PE, we will all be doing **Athletics** and **Tennis**. Our PE days are a **Thursday** and a **Friday**. We ask children to come to school in their PE kit on PE days and they will stay in their kit all day. As you know, we do lots of outdoor learning in Amber Class. Please ensure your children come to school in appropriate footwear and named jumpers/cardigans/hats. Our outdoor learning mornings where we have our lessons in the garden will be every **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Please also ensure children have sun cream on when they come to school and a bottle for them to reapply throughout the day.

We will be learning about the following topics in our foundation subjects:

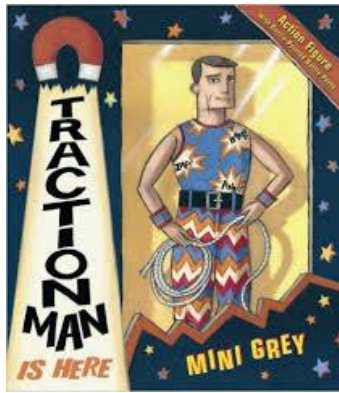
- Science: Animal habitats
- Art: Landscapes
- History: Seaside heroes of the past
- Life Skills: Respectful relationships

As you can see we are going to be packing in lots of fun learning experiences this half term. If you have any questions feel free to ask any of the Amber class adults or to send us a message via email or on Tapestry. Please remember to read the newsletter every week as that is the best way to keep up-to-date with events and important diary dates.

We can't wait to have lots of fun as we continue to learn and have fun.

Many thanks,

The Amber Class Team



Sapphire Class Curriculum Summer Term 2

In **English** we will be enjoying sharing Traction Man stories by Mini Grey. We will be writing adventure stories for this superhero and inventing new friends to help him on his missions. We will continue our focus on forming and orientating our letters to ensure that our handwriting is as neat as it can be. We will be assessing children's progress in phonics and revisiting sounds to sure up learning. Spellings will still happen every Friday.

In **Maths** we will be looking at time and also practising methods for our 4 operations. Your continued support with the children at home with reinforcing addition and subtraction skills is appreciated and does help to embed early knowledge.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/addition/robot-addition>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/chopper-squad>

For Year 2s, being confident in creating number families is a vital skill and can be practised here:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/number-facts/number-fact-families>



In **History** we will be finding out about Victorian schools. What was our school like when it opened? How were their school days different to our days in Sapphire Class?

In **computing** we will be working on robot algorithms with Mrs. Moulton.

We will be exploring sculpture in our **art** sessions and looking at Antony Gormley's work to inspire us. This promises to be a wonderful topic and I can't wait for the children to get started!

Science will see us looking at different animal life cycles, starting with our very own class mice!

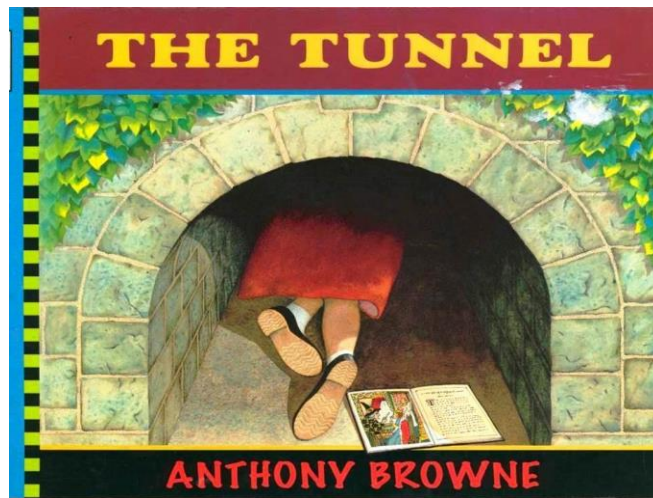
In **RE** we will be exploring how 'light' is important to both the Christian and Jewish religions. We will be exploring friendship in our **Life Skills** sessions.

Sapphire Class will have **PE** on Tuesdays and Fridays and will be enjoying tennis and athletics with a focus on personal achievement and improvement. As always, we expect long hair tied up and no jewellery be worn on these days.

We will be getting outside for our learning as often as we can so please make sure that your child has suitable outdoor footwear (trainers) with them at school every day.

As always, if you have any questions you know where I am!

Sarah Frost



Emerald Class Curriculum

Welcome back everyone!

We are entering the final term of the year with lots to look forward to and the class being simply adorable. It is so great to see how far the children have come and how enthusiastic they are.

This term we will be reading *The Tunnel* by Anthony Brown and using the text to inspire some discussions and creative writing. We will be writing some diaries, some instructional writing and some stories, as well as continuing our focus on linking ideas with conjunctions.

In Maths we will continue to look at the four main operations in our maths fluency as well as having a big push on our times tables. We will also be learning to tell the time and how to measure accurately.

In History we are learning all about Ancient Rome. It is a fantastic topic with so many fun and interesting elements to it. We are going to have a banquet for our DT topic and learn how to season food with herbs, make shields, make pottery in art and learn many fun facts about the impact of Rome on our culture.

In PE we will be playing tennis and practising our athletics skills ahead of Sports Week in July. Our Colby Value is Personal, thinking about how we cope with success and failure in sport and in life and strategies we can develop to help with this.

We have the Crazy Sleepover to look forward to. It is a fantastic experience for the children with so many memories to be made. If you have any questions about what the evening looks like then please come and find me. I will be having a chat about it with the children next week.

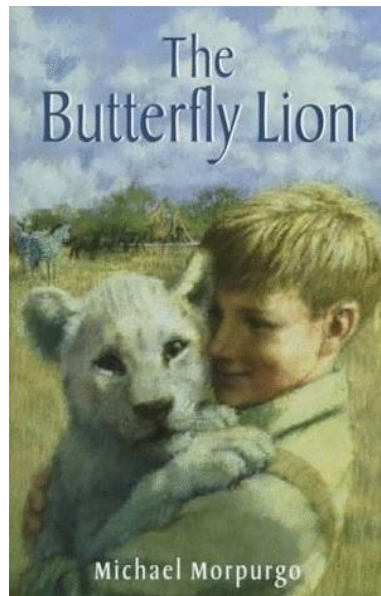
We are to be putting a lot of energy into our times tables this term so as always, could you please practise these at home alongside reading three times a week and signing diaries.

Alice will continue her fantastic French lessons on Thursdays with Mrs Moulton finishing her Computing unit.

Please come and find me if you have any questions about school life.

Thanks,

Mr B



Ruby Class Curriculum Information Summer 2025

Welcome back after half term. I hope you had a great time and got to enjoy the lovely weather. This half term we will be using the book *The Butterfly Lion* and we will be using it as inspiration to write a new chapter for the book. We will also be having another focus on punctuation and grammar throughout the half term. We will still be continuing with our weekly spelling tests and we would appreciate it if you could continue to support your child with learning these. They continue to be available on Google Classroom as well as on Spelling Shed so if your child does not stick them in their books there are other ways of finding their spellings.

In Maths, we will be looking at the different properties of triangles and quadrilaterals. We will also be finding out about different size angles, how to estimate them and also how to accurately find the angle using a protractor. We will also learn how to work out angles on a straight line or a 360 degree turn. We will also be looking at translations and reflections on a grid. Our final topic will be looking at line graphs and timetables. The Year 4s will be doing the national multiplication test next week so any chance you have to learn these over the weekend would be really helpful. The children will also be learning them at school throughout their maths lessons.

In Science, we will be learning about the life cycle of humans. We will be looking at the different stages of our life cycle and we will particularly be looking at puberty. This will include talking about periods in girls as well as how our hormones can make us feel throughout this time of change. This is also part of our Life Skills lessons this half term.

Our Geography topic is learning all about maps. We will be looking at the different types of maps there are and what uses each one has. We will be learning about longitude and latitude.

In Music this term, we will be continuing to learn the ukulele with Ms Barber from the Norfolk Music Service. The children have been doing really well already and most of them can already play 2 chords with many being able to play 3 or 4 chords. We are also looking forward to performing with Tim Brain at the Royal Norfolk Show where we will be using drumsticks to tap along to 3 well known tunes. We have taken part in several events at the Royal Norfolk Show over the last few years and the children have also enjoyed them.

This half term will be busy with sports as we will be having our yearly sports week as well as our PE sessions each week. We will be focusing on athletics and the children will be working hard to improve their previous athletic scores.

They will be learning about and making their own spices with Mr Frost as part of their design & technology, databases with Mrs Moulton in computing and with Mr Mead they will be teaching French and RE.

And of course, how can we forget the day (well night) they have all been looking forward to all year, the Crazy Sleepover!

Wendy Towers



Amethyst's Curriculum second half of Summer term

Hi, I hope you all had a great half-term holiday!

Maths: We continue to follow the National Curriculum for maths, but we will build in lots of leadership time for maths development and also game creation, putting into practice all the skills the children have learned.

Science: We will be covering animals including humans.

English: Our key text this half-term is *Rose Blanche*. It is based on a young German child's experiences during WWII and compliments our Battle of Britain unit.

History: We are exploring the causes and effects of The Battle of Britain.

P.E: It is athletics and tennis. We will be testing and competing against ourselves and others. Please can children have trainers at school every day as we will try to add in extra sessions at short notice.

R.E: We are looking at Religion and its role in conflict.

French: Mr. Mead is covering key vocabulary and phrases as revision for High School.

D.T: It's time to get engineering! We are exploring, designing, making and testing bridges.

Computing: Children will be combining graphics and photo editing.

Music: This is a composition unit where children are setting music to match a theme.

Life Skills: This half-term Amethyst is covering the themes of changing bodies and moving into adolescence, transition to new classes and legacy projects as well as recovering what a good role model looks like.

Do let me know if you have any questions relating to the work this half-term.

Mr Frost

Christine Mead

Coming next week;

Harriet will announce the winner of her Lego Competition on Monday.

We did not have an Assembly today due to the school photographs being taken in the Hall.