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Newsletter Friday 13th October 2023



Dates for your diary:

Monday 16th October - Harvest assembly please bring in donations for The Wellspring

Wednesday 18th October – Film Night Fundraiser See below

Friday 20th October - Finish for Half term

Monday 30th October – School Reopens

Tuesday 31st October – Whole staff training 3.30 – 5pm – **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Friday 3rd November – Individual photos

Tuesday 7th November – Parent Consultation Evening

Wednesday 8th November – Parent Consultation Evening

Friday 10th November – Own Clothes - Bring a bottle for the Christmas Fayre

Monday 13th November – Antbullying Week beginnings

Friday 17th November Children in Need Day – Clothes to be confirmed!

Friday 24th November – Own Clothes – Bring chocolate for the Christmas Fayre

Friday 24th November – Nasal Flu immunisations

Friday 1st December – Christmas Fayre – **NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS**

Tuesday 5th December Choir performing at Festival of Choirs 7.30pm

Tuesday 19th December – Reception Christmas Performance 9.15am

Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 20th December – KS1 Christmas performance 9.15am

Monday 18th December - Year 5 Air Raid Shelters

Thursday 21st December Year 6 Air Raid Shelters

Thursday 21st December Christmas parties

Friday 22nd December – Finish for Christmas

- Christmas jumper day/outfit/accessories

- **NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB**

After last week's special visitors, we seem to have had a relatively quiet week as far as events go. Monday's assembly introduced Black History Month and this year's focus, which is 'Celebrating Sisters'. Over the month, the children will be a number of different activities, and learning the stories of a number of black women, who succeeded, achieved and overcame discrimination in their lives. It has been a week of showing off our achievements, with Freddie Fit coming in to work with each class, a group of children going out to take part in Mini Whistlers and our half-termly 'Thumbs Up Friday!'

Weekly Wellbeing Challenge:

Play is how children thrive – and it's good for grown-ups, too. Here's why it's so important to find playful moments in the everyday, with four great ideas for getting started.

We know families want to play more: a third of parents and 84% of children said so. The good news is, you don't have to drop everything to race cars around the living room for hours (though don't let us stop you!). Here are some activities that can take as little as 15 minutes, but can transform your day with play.

Put them in the story

Make your child the star of a story, ask them what happens next. Ask, 'Can you flap like a bird?', 'Swim like a fish?' or 'Can you climb a tower?' It's a great way to spend time together, and who knows what tale you will come up with!

Go head-to-head

Boredom busting challenges. Who can keep a football in the air the longest? Who can juggle 2 apples the longest without dropping them? Can you juggle 3? Who can put on their socks one-handed?

Dive into the parent jokes

What did the ocean say to the beach? Nothing, it just waved. My son asked me to put his shoes on, but I don't think they will fit me! Why do bees have sticky hair? Because they use a honeycomb

Head to the mum and dad disco

Always a favourite of mine! Too tired to move and play with your children? Put on a disco playlist on Spotify and let them show you their best moves. If your kids want you to be more involved, be the judge of their dancing, or turn the party into a freeze dance.



Harvest assembly

The children are having a harvest assembly on Monday 18th October (not for parents unfortunately due to space) if you are able to donate any food from the wish list for The Wellspring please bring it in on Monday morning. Thank you in advance!

the Wellspring
HARVEST
 A New Recipe for Hope & Change

The way that we help our users has changed so much and the services we deliver always needs new ingredients to make them work. We are currently serving an average of 80 meals across Breakfast, Lunch & Takeaway Snack Packs every single day.

OUR WISH LIST

For main meals: <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned, fresh or frozen meat <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned fresh or frozen vegetables (such as carrots, peas, potatoes) <input type="checkbox"/> Cheddar cheese	For desserts: <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned custard <input type="checkbox"/> Tinned mix fruit (not peaches) <input type="checkbox"/> Rice pudding <input type="checkbox"/> Eggs <input type="checkbox"/> Self raising flour <input type="checkbox"/> Caster sugar <input type="checkbox"/> Cakes	Essentials: <input type="checkbox"/> Ketchup <input type="checkbox"/> Mayonnaise <input type="checkbox"/> Brown sauce <input type="checkbox"/> Gravy granules <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking oil <input type="checkbox"/> Butter/marg <input type="checkbox"/> Pepper
For all food sessions: <input type="checkbox"/> Semi skimmed long life milk <input type="checkbox"/> Sugar <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee <input type="checkbox"/> Hot chocolate <input type="checkbox"/> Cordial	For snack packs: <input type="checkbox"/> Sandwich meats <input type="checkbox"/> Sweet biscuits (individually wrapped) <input type="checkbox"/> Multipacks of crisps	For breakfast: <input type="checkbox"/> Baked beans <input type="checkbox"/> Plum and chopped tinned tomatoes

Don't forget that the main ingredient remains the same... your support!

We work really hard to provide a healthy meal service that tastes good, with a Zero Waste policy in mind. We currently have too many of these items and would love for you to find an alternative from our Make & List.

Scan the code below to sign up to our Making List and stay up to date with all we do!

Film Night Autumn 2023!

Autumn Film Night

Wednesday 18th October
 3:30pm – 5:00pm

Children are invited to stay after school to watch an age appropriate film in a classroom.

£4 per child which includes: movie, drink & hot dog (or dietary applicable alternative)

Booking open from midday on Friday 13th October via School Spider app or if you log into the school website
Booking strictly closes on Tuesday 17th OCTOBER at 4pm - we CANNOT add any more on after this date/time.

Reception film and KS1 film:
The Lorax (U)



KS2 film: Gnome Alone (PG)



Purchasing a ticket is an agreement that your child can watch this film as it is rated PG

Please see the flyer about our Autumn Film night next Wednesday. We need the numbers by 4pm on Tuesday 17th and will not be able to add any more places on the Wednesday. There are spaces for everyone so please do book on!

Please be aware that the KS2 film is a PG so by booking on you are giving permission to watch it.

Freddy Fit

We were visited by Freddy Fit today, always a popular visitor for school. All classes had a session with Freddy throughout the day, taking part in lots of team activities, learning about healthy lifestyles and how to keep both our minds and bodies healthy.



Mini Whistlers

Mrs Lamb and Mr Rowe took a group of children to St. Joseph's this morning to take part in 'Mini Whistlers'. This promotes Respect in sports, but also in life. The children eventually refereed a game of football. These are skills that they will bring back to school and share with our other children.

Free School Meals

A reminder that families can apply for Free School Meals via this link: <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-school-grants-free-school-meals> - all you need is your NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER. If your child has just gone into year 3 they will no longer be on Universal Free School Meals, so if you think you might qualify please apply as soon as possible.

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, it is beneficial to apply for Free School Meals as your child can also access a range of other benefits and school help supplement some additional provision for you and your child(ren).

If you would prefer to apply using a school computer/internet, that is no problem and we can arrange a private area with a computer for you to apply. Just ask at the office, call 0161 480 4531 or email admin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk.

School Uniform

The children look so smart this week. Thank you all for your support with this, looking smart and being ready with all the right things make such a difference to learning.

Please make sure **names are in all items of clothes** – especially cardigans/jumpers and coats! It is impossible to find lost items without this.

White polo shirt
Red cardigan/jumper – with or without logo (**NO other jumpers**)
Black/dark grey trousers/shorts/skirts/pinafores
Black shoes or all black trainers (no colour variations accepted)

PE Kits for PE days

White t-shirt and black shorts/joggers with school jumper. (**NO other jumpers/PE kits!**)

School Lottery

For those families new to school, we have a school lottery that is run by the website below. Every ticket sold provides much needed funding for our school.

If you would like to take part please do sign up using the link below. Thank you.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>

The Super Draw is here... and the prizes are BIGGER and BETTER than ever! This weekend's big Super Draw prize is an amazing Harry Potter double prize bundle - a Family trip to the Warner Bros Studio Tour, AND 4 tickets to see Harry Potter and the Cursed Child at the Palace Theatre!

Our new Super Draw gives people new and exciting ways to play – instead of committing to weekly tickets, supporters can choose to just buy tickets for the Super Draw week, meaning more flexibility and less commitment, whilst still supporting ABINGDON PRIMARY SCHOOL. Existing supporters can even choose to TOP-UP their tickets just for this weekend's draw!



How the lottery works

£1 per ticket



That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.

Help us do more

For every ticket you play, 76% goes to our school and prizes.



£25,000 grand prize



Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!



Attendance:



- ★ The class with the highest overall attendance each week will have the opportunity to 'spin the wheel'! The wheel has lots of different choices on – some of these have been updated this year by the children.
 - ★ Each class who achieves 97% or higher each week, or who show great improvement, will have an extra playtime the following week.
 - ★ **ALL children who have over 95% attendance for the year, or who show good improvement of attendance, will receive an end of term certificate and treat.**
- Attendance monitoring includes broken weeks and lateness. You **MUST** contact school if your child is late or absent.

The class with the highest attendance this week was: **Y5 Kestrels with 97.1%**

They have won 'Extra Play!!!' as a special treat from the wheel, as well their extra playtime next week.

No other classes had over 97% this week.

Hot chocolate

Each week we invite a child from each class (who is chosen for being a role model for behaviour) to come and have hot chocolate and marshmallows with the headteacher. It is definitely my favourite time of the week! It was lovely to hear today why the children were chosen. (Reception will join in after half term)

During this time Ms Spendlow and Ms Flanders collect children's voices about particular aspects of our school, again this is so that we can continually build on the good things that happen in our school to make it even better. This week we simply asked them why they had been chosen, here are some of their responses:



Gold Table

Children are chosen by their midday supervisors for their lunchtime behaviour. Each Friday we have a 'Gold table' in the hall and the children sit with me and have their lunch, they also receive a prize from the 'Gold Box'. Otters – Estee, Badgers – James, Hedgehogs – Hussayn, Squirrels – Summer-Lee, Foxes – Zachary, Falcons – Eddie, Kites – Holly, Owls - Henry, Kestrels – Alanah, Merlins –Paige, Hawks – Tristan, Ospreys -Isabelle

Class Stars of the Week

Each week children are chosen for showing our core values. We award certificates in Celebration Time each Friday. Well done to all our stars:



Year 1 Hedgehogs: Freddie

Year 1/2 Squirrels: Siena

Year 2 Foxes: Alice M

Year 3 Falcons: Skye

Year 3/4 Kites: Nyla

Year 4 Owls: Daisy

Year 5 Kestrels: Alfred

Year 5 Merlins: Angel

Year 6 Ospreys: Sienna B

Year 6 Hawks: Charlotte

Golden Broom

Yr 5 Merlins won the Golden Broom this week for having the tidiest classroom. Well done for setting a fantastic example to others.

The Golden Broom is awarded by Mr Bosson (Site supervisor) .



Finally, I would like to wish you a lovely weekend, and thank you for all your support.

Ms Spendlow

Headteacher

Holiday Dates 2023-2024

Autumn term

Monday 4th September	INSET
Tuesday 5 th September	INSET
Wednesday 6 th September	Back to School
Friday 20 th October	Finish for half term holiday
Monday 30 th October	School returns
Friday 22 nd December	Finish for Christmas

Spring term

Monday 8 th January 2024	INSET
Tuesday 9 th January	School returns
Friday 9 th February	Finish for half term holiday
Monday 19 th February	School returns
Thursday 28 th March	Finish for Easter

Summer term

Monday 15 th April	School returns
Monday 6 th May	May Day Holiday
Friday 24 th May	Finish for Whit holiday
Monday 10 th June	School returns
Friday 26 th July	Finish for summer holidays
Monday 29 th July	INSET
Tuesday 30 th July	INSET

Covid-19 advice

- Children with mild symptoms of a respiratory infection include covid-19 but are otherwise well should continue to attend school. They should stay home if they have a high temperature and are unwell, and can return to school when they no longer have a high temperature/feel well enough.
- It is not recommended that children should have a covid-19 test unless directed to by a health professional, but if a child under 18 does test positive, **they should stay off school for 3 days after the day they took the test. They can return to school after the 3 days if they are well enough.**

The isolation period for COVID-19 is 6 days with a negative LFD test (24 hours apart on day 5 and day 6). See the link below for more information

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

School advice is still:

If your child is displaying any of these COVID related symptoms

-a high temperature

-a new, continuous cough

-a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

or

if your child receives a positive lateral flow test, **they should remain at home until they are feeling well again.**

Please inform school if anyone in your child's household tests positive for Covid-19.