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Dates for your diary:

Thursday 3rd Feb – NSPCC cake sale

Friday 4th Feb – NSPCC Numbers Day – wear an item of clothing with a number on it

Friday 11th Feb – School closes 3:15pm for half term holiday

*****Monday 21st Feb** – School closed to children INSET day***

Tuesday 22nd Feb – School reopens for children 8:45am

Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th Feb – Parent/carer consultations (further information to be sent out separately)

Thursday 24th Feb – School disco (details to be sent out separately)

Please remember that children are **NOT ALLOWED** on the KS2 climbing frame at the end of the school day. This area is not for use at any time other than the school day. School are not responsible for any children who use the climbing frame after the end of the school day and will ask any children seen on it to climb off.

Thank you for your support in this matter.



Attendance recognition arrangements:

- ★ The class with the highest overall attendance each week will have the opportunity to 'spin the wheel'. The wheel has many options of fantastic activities children can enjoy, such as wear your slippers day, extra play time and many more!
- ★ Each class who achieves 97% or higher each week, or who show great improvement, will have an own clothes day the following week.
- ★ **ALL children who have over 97% attendance for the year, or who show good improvement of attendance, will have an end of year 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 is: **Y1 Squirrels with an attendance of 96.91%**! Their treat from spinning the wheel is wearing **slippers in class** one day next week, as well as an own clothes day.

The other classes who also achieved 97%+ in their attendance this week are: **Reception Badgers (96.86%) and Y3/4 Kites (96.53%)**

Well done. Class teachers will contact parents to let them know what day will be their own clothes day.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please visit <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-school-grants-free-school-meals> This means that more money is given to school to provide children with additional opportunities, such as free school trips and additional academic support. You will be helping school if your child is eligible for Free School Meals so please do look and apply if you think you may be eligible.

We have a varied menu which changes weekly, so your child will always enjoy a healthy, filling lunch.

Mrs Beer Leaving

Yesterday, we saw the end of an era as Mrs Beer left Abingdon to start her new job role. Mrs Beer had worked at Abingdon for over 20 years, meaning that she is known and loved by many families who have been here over the years. The children made a video for her (and she had a lovely glittery crown too!), and Mrs Beer was very surprised when she entered the staff room after school to see all the staff wearing a Mrs Beer facemask! I want to personally thank Mrs Beer for being such a tremendous support to me over the past 3 years and especially for her tireless work and support during the pandemic. She is a fantastic School Business Manager and a generous, warm person, so we were doubly lucky to have worked alongside her! I wish her every success in the future and know that she will be just as amazing in her new role.

Cars idling outside school

An issue of great concern has been reported to me this week: cars have been idling (leaving your vehicle engine running while stationary) outside school when waiting by the fence area.

Please switch off your car engine if you are waiting outside school, for any period of time. The fumes alone are extremely hazardous to everyone's health – especially young children – and it is made even worse in the winter months.

In doing so, any drivers who are choosing to idle either at drop off or pick up, are breaking rule 123 of the Highway Code and putting other people's health at risk.

I am sure you join me in wanting to keep the school a healthy and safe environment so please support this campaign.



NSPCC Cake Sale and Numbers Day

Next Thursday 3rd Feb, we will be holding a cake sale during the school day (all children will have the opportunity to buy a cake as we will work around swimming/play times etc.). Donations of cakes (bought or homemade) will be gratefully received – please send in from Wednesday 2nd Feb. Children who wish to buy cake(s) should bring in a **maximum of £1 cash on the day**. Any leftover cakes will be sold throughout the day on Friday.

On Friday 4th Feb, children are asked to come into school **wearing an item of clothing with a number on it**. We would like them to bring/pay on school spider a donation of 50p. We will be playing maths games and participating in maths activities across the school on Friday morning.

We are also participating in 'NSPCC Rocks': a one-day competition on Times Tables Rockstars where classes compete nationwide. This competition runs from 7:30am to 7:30pm and has been set up so that the children's scores only contribute to their class total for 1 hour of playing.

Please encourage your child to get involved if they are currently home learning. All children who are currently in school will get involved in class.

School Uniform

Please remember that the school uniform is a red jumper/cardigan/fleece with grey trousers/skirt/pinafore with a white polo shirt/shirt/blouse. Black shoes or black trainers are permitted. Brightly coloured or white trainers not acceptable.

Hoodies of any kind are not permitted, and children will be asked to remove them if they are worn in school (a washed replacement jumper from lost property will be provided in its place for the day).

If you require any support with school uniform please contact the school office on 0161 480 4531.

New School Business Manager

I would like to introduce Mrs Goodwin, our new School Business Manager (SBM), who started work this week at Abingdon. Mrs Goodwin is an experienced SBM who is enjoying getting to know everyone in our school community. I would like to officially welcome her to the Abingdon Family and know that you do the same. Her email address is joanne.goodwin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk so please contact her if you have any queries.

School Lottery

Win a Forest Holiday!



Your School Lottery has a new competition running – the chance to win a forest holiday! This half-term you can win a Forest Holiday worth £500 in one of 11 locations throughout the UK. Support your school now for your chance to win this amazing prize

Congratulations to our winner this week: a Y2 parent, who has very kindly donated their winnings back to school. Thank you so much!

Thank you to all who participate and please share the link with wider friends and family – every ticket **helps us receive more funding for school!**

This really helps support our school so, if you can, please do sign up for a weekly ticket. Thank you.

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

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!



Class Stars

A big well done to the following children who have impressed their class teacher this week by following our core values in and around school:

Florence in Reception Otters, Arianah in Reception Badgers, Lola and Scarlett in Y1 Squirrels, Marley in Y1/2 Foxes, Maya in Y2 Rabbits, Esther in Y3/4 Falcons, Izzy in Y3/4 Owls, James in Y3/4 Kites, Cara in Y5 Kestrels, Casey-John in Y5/6 Merlins and Freya in Y6 Ospreys.

Thank you for acting as super role models for everyone in school.

Finally, well done to **Y5/6 Merlins** who 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.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Clark
Headteacher



Covid-19 advice

Please refer to our Parent/Carer Q&A guide for queries about Covid-19 in school. [Click here](#) to access it online

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/>

Stockport rates of coronavirus are still rising <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/coronavirus-in-stockport/coronavirus-cases-in-stockport>

The current government 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**. NHS track and trace will inform all close contacts and advise them to also take a LFD test.

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

Lateral Flow Testing

If you wish to participate in lateral Flow testing for your child and family, you can find out further information here:

Information for Parents/Carers

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>