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Newsletter Friday 4th March 2022

Dates for your diary:

Monday 7th March – Y6 Robinwood parent information session after school

Friday 25th March – KS1 visit to Skipton Castle (off site all day)

Monday 28th – Wednesday 30th March – Y6 residential to Robinwood Todmorden

Friday 1st April – Thumbs Up Friday – parents can view their child's work – and Parent Cafe

Friday 1st April – School closes for Easter break (reopens Tuesday 19th April)

Please avoid walking from the KS2 playground round to the KS1 area as the corner is very tight. Thank you for your support in this site safety measure.



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: **Y6 Ospreys again, with an attendance of 98%**

Their treat from spinning the wheel is **games in class** one day next week, as well as an own clothes day.

The other class who also achieved 97%+ in their attendance this week is: **Squirrels with 97.3%**

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

Freddy Fit

The children at Abingdon had a wonderfully energetic day today joining in with fitness sessions led by 'Freddy Fit'. They practised sports skills, honed their dance skills and learnt about healthy eating. Below are some pictures from the fantastic 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.

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.

Reading and World Book Day

We have had a wonderful week celebrating Abingdon Reading Week, with a particular highlight being World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. We saw book characters appearing all over school, some were incredibly inventive with lots of attention to detail! We will be holding our Abingdon Oscars ceremony next week to





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: Mr Bryan Archer, who has very kindly donated his 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!

Finally, well done to **Y2 Rabbits** 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/>

While you're no longer required by law to self-isolate if you have COVID-19, you should still stay at home and avoid contact with other people. This helps reduce the chance of passing COVID-19 on to others.

This advice will be updated on 1 April 2022.

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**. 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>