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Newsletter Friday 1st April 2022

Dates for your diary:

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

Tuesday 19th April – School reopens

Friday 22nd April – Mr Egypt visiting LKS2 (see letter from teachers)

Please do not bring dogs into the playground or onto the school premises.

Please also remember that bikes and scooters are NOT to be ridden by parents or children on the school grounds.

Thank you for your support in these site safety measures.



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

They have also **won Popcorn** as treat one day in the first week back from spinning the wheel, as well as an own clothes day.

The class teacher will contact parents to let them know what day will be.

Thumbs up Friday/Abingdon Café

Thank you so much for coming this morning to our first Thumbs up Friday in a long time. It was wonderful to have people back in the building and for the children to show off their learning. The next one will hopefully be on Friday 27th May (just before the Whit holiday).

Goodbyes

Today, we say goodbye to Miss Nuttall and Mr Muzyka. Over the last 5/6 years, they have both been a major part over our team and a big part of the Abingdon Family. They have both worked tirelessly to support the children in their classes. Over the last two years Miss Nuttall has been a member of the leadership team in school and has helped to drive whole school achievement and progress. I know the staff in particular will miss Mr Muzyka's rapping! A big thank you to them both for everything they have done over the years they have been at Abingdon. We will miss you Miss Nuttall and Mr Muzyka.

We also said goodbye to Mrs Hunt yesterday. She has been a Maths Specialist teacher at Abingdon for 12 years. We thank her so much for the work she has done over the years she was with us. She has supported so many children with their maths and has worked so hard to support our teachers too. We hope she has a lovely relaxing time now – jetting off on skiing holidays in particular! We will miss you Mrs Hunt.

Year 6 Residential to RobinWood

Earlier this week, we waved off our intrepid explorers (Year 6!) as they embarked on a 3-day residential to RobinWood, Todmorden. They had an amazing time trying out the Giant Swing and the Zip Line and having a go at the Crate Challenge and the Dungeon Escape Room as well as canoeing and caving!!! What a fab few days! They were exhausted when they arrived back at school on Wednesday. A big thank you to Miss Riley, Miss Walton and Miss Harrison for organising the trip and supervising them for the 3 days. (They were exhausted too!)

Here's a few photos to show you what they got up to:



Stockport County Players

On Wednesday our KS2 multisports club were surprised with a visit from 2 Stockport County Players: Ryan Johnson and Myles Hippolyte.

The children were so excited to see them and had a wonderful time doing multisports with them.



WOW - Walk to School Challenge

Thank you for supporting the Big walk and Wheel over the last 2 weeks.

After the holidays we will be starting up the walk to school badges again . Children can earn badges by travelling to school in other ways than by car/if that is not possible parking further away and walking



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.



Children's assembly

At the end of the half term we have a 'Children's Assembly' where the children take over with the presenting of the assembly and vote for the child they think has followed our core values - Respect, Resilience, Responsibility this half term. Here are the winners - A big well done to them all:

Renaë in Reception Otters, Alice in Reception Badgers, Darcy-Leigh in Y1 Squirrels, Holly in Y1/2 Foxes, Honey-Leigh in Y2 Rabbits, Bradley in Y3/4

Falcons, Jayce in Y3/4 Owls, Isaac in Y3/4 Kites, Summer in Y5 Kestrels, Fintan in Y5/6 Merlins and Arian in Y6 Ospreys.

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School Lottery




Congratulations to our winner this week: **Mrs Clark!** She has very kindly donated it back to school.

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

<p>£1 per ticket</p>  <p>That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.</p>	<p>Help us do more</p> <p>For every ticket you play, 76% goes to our school and prizes.</p> 	<p>£25,000 grand prize</p>  <p>Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!</p>
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Finally, well done to **Year 2 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.

Ms Flanders

Deputy 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>