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Newsletter Friday 20th May 2022

Dates for your diary:

Friday 27th May – Thumbs Up Friday (parents/carers invited in to look at their child's learning 8:45am – 9:10am)

Friday 27th May – Parents café 9:10am (straight after Thumbs Up) until 10:00am – all welcome!

Friday 27th May – Jubilee Celebration Day in school (children only)

Friday 27th May – school closes usual time of 3:15 for half term

*****NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FRIDAY 27TH MAY*****

School reopens for final half term Monday 13th June

W/c 13th June – Y4 multiplication check and Y1 phonics screening check

Thursday 7th July – Whole school transition day, including Y6 to high school

Friday 8th July – Summer fayre 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Friday 15th July – annual reports to parents sent out

Weds 20th July – Open evening: see children's learning in books and meet their next teacher 3:30pm – 5:00pm

Thurs 21st July – Y6 leavers' assembly 9:15am

Tues 26th July – School closes at the end of the day for summer break **(3:15 – NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB)**

Parents/carers are not permitted to drive into the school car park unless by prior special arrangement with the headteacher.

If collecting from clubs or after school club, parents must park on the road and walk in.

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 95% 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: Y5 Kestrels with a fantastic 98%. Well done!

They have won **games in class** treat next week from spinning the wheel, as well as an own clothes day.

Other classes who achieved 97% or over are: **Reception Badger, Y1/2 Foxes and Y3/4 Kites – all with 97%. Y3/4 owls achieved a fantastic attendance of 96%, so they too are included for much improved attendance.**

Those classes also have a reward of an own clothes day next week. The class teacher will contact parents/carers to let them know what day will be.

End of Half Term Attendance treat

A reminder that it is our end of half term treat in the usual raffle format (spinner) next week. Parents of children whose name is selected by the electronic spinner will be contacted and asked for permission for their child to join I the attendance treat, which will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 26th May.

Children will be entered if their attendance is over 97% OR their attendance has improved.

Please ensure your child is entered into these events by having them in school every day, on time. If you need support in improving your child's attendance, contact Mrs Lamb via amanda.lamb@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk.

Keeping Safe Week

This week our children have been learning about how to keep safe, which enhances the work they do in Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE). Teachers arranged a varied learning schedule throughout the week which ranged from safety in the sun, to First Aid. Well done in particular to our Y5 and 6 children who completed their First Aid training with Milie's Trust.



Summer Fayre!

I am delighted to share the date of our summer fayre: Friday 8th July. The fayre will run after school from 3:30pm to 5:30pm and there will be a host of stalls ranging from selling refreshments to playing games. We hope that you are able to join us. If you would like to have a stall at the fayre, please contact the school office on 0161 480 4531 / joanne.gooddwin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk. Stalls are £10 each.



We would also greatly appreciate parents/carers helping us to run stalls on the day. If you are able to give some of your time to school – with the additional bonus of a free strip of raffle tickets and a drink/snack – please contact Ms Flanders via claire.flanders@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk. A big thank you in advance!
Further information will be sent out soon.

INSET Days 2022-2023

Governors have agreed Abingdon's INSET days for the next academic year. They are:

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Friday 23rd September 2022

Monday 20th February 2023

Thursday 27th July 2023

Harrogate Road Allotment Society

We are very excited to be running a competition linking with Harrogate Road Allotment Society. On Saturday 3rd September, the allotment society will be holding their annual open day at Abingdon, as children at school have been invited to design the front cover for the programme.

The allotment society will be linking with school in the future so please encourage your child to take part. The winning entry will have their illustration published on the front cover of the programme and also win a prize. Front cover design sheets have been distributed at school for children to complete in their own time. I look forward to sharing the winning image with you soon.



Jubilee Celebrations

A reminder that next week is our Jubilee Celebration. Throughout the week, the children will have assemblies, fun activities and learning about the Queen's 70-year reign and we will have a special assembly on Monday to launch.

There is Thumbs Up Friday on 27th May from 8:45am drop off until 9:10am, followed by Parent Café. Please pop in for a free coffee/tea and biscuit. We would love to see you. All welcome.

Children can wear red, white and blue if they wish on Friday to celebrate and we will be holding a special party in school for children on that day as well.

End of Year Bouncy Castle Attendance Treat

We will be holding our annual whole school treat for good/improved attendance at the end of the academic year on **Tuesday 26th July**. We have booked bouncy castles for the children to enjoy throughout the morning.



This is available to children whose attendance is 95% or over, **or** children whose attendance has shown improvement. This means that EVERY child in school has the opportunity to take part. Parents/carers of children whose attendance is currently under 95% have received a letter explaining how this treat is open to everyone in school who attends regularly and on time, and shows improvement over the summer term. Reminder letters will also be sent out before half term. Please contact school on 0161 480 4531, or via your child's class teacher, if we can support you with your child's attendance. **We want your child to be in school every day, so we will gladly help with any aspect of attendance.**

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 length of time – even if only for a few minutes. 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.

School Lottery

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 **Y1 Squirrels** 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

- 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

