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Newsletter Friday 15th July 2022

Dates for your diary:

Friday 15th July – Annual reports to parents sent out

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

School reopens for the academic year 2022-2023 on Monday 5th September (INSET days 1st and 2nd September)

The 2022-23 term dates are at the bottom of this newsletter

Summer Fayre!

A HUGE THANK YOU: our summer fayre raised over £1500!!!

The funds will be used to support additional activities and provide resources for our children.

We are so grateful to everyone who came to support us and to the children and parents who gave up their time to help out on stalls.

Also, I want to say 'well-done' and 'thank you' to our AMAZING staff who organised the fayre, provided many of the raffle prizes, managed the stalls and cleared up afterwards. We truly do have the most wonderful staff who give everything to make sure our children experience events such as this.

Thank you to all of our Abingdon Family again!



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: Y2 Rabbits with 97%. Well done!

They have won 'music on in class!' treat from spinning the wheel, as well as an own clothes day.

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

Heat wave next week

An amber weather warning has been issued for Monday and Tuesday next week due to the extreme heat. This is a reminder to ensure your child has with them A WATER BOTTLE, A HAT AND has SUN CREAM ON. We will obviously be limiting time outdoors in the sun, but we obviously want children to be safe and keep hydrated.

Parent Governor Vacancy

For your information, there is an upcoming Parent Governor vacancy. At this point in the school year, this is for information only. However, it may be useful to consider the information at the end of the newsletter which explains the role in more detail. The position will be advertised in the autumn term.

Choir performance

The whole school was treated to a live performance by our choir on Wednesday this week. They were fantastic and we are so proud of them for their dedication, singing skills and their confidence in performing to so many people!



Kids eat free in the Summer Holidays



ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend from 25th July - 4th Sept 2022

FUTURE INNS

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal during the school holidays

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

YO! SUSHI

Kid's eat free from 3pm-5.30pm, Monday to Thursday until 1st September 2022

THE REAL GREEK

Kids eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

From June 27th kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend

MARKS & SPENCER CAFE

Likely But Not Yet Announced

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 after 3pm daily & get one free kids meal (usually all day during half term)

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat breakfast free with every adult breakfast, daily from 9am - 12pm.

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Monday to Thursday

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 when you order one adult's main meal. Excludes Saturdays

SA BRAINS PUBS

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Only valid Wednesdays but on all day

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

One free children's meal per paid adult meal 12-5pm daily throughout the holidays

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto

FARMHOUSE INNS

Likely But Not Yet Announced

Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme Over Summer

Families on means tested free school meals will be able to access UP TO 16 **FREE** HAF sessions over the summer holidays. Stockport Local Authority have a range of activities available for children aged 5-16 (4 if in school but turning 5 over the summer holidays) and **ALL WILL INCLUDE A MEAL.**



Clubs will generally start in August and run throughout August. Further information can be found here (activities are still being arranged so keep checking the website!): <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/information-for-parents-and-carers>

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 is going into year 3 in September they will no longer be on Universal Free School Meals, so if you think you might qualify please apply before the Summer break.**

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.

***** LIFE LEISURE ADVERT *****

Life Leisure will be running holiday activity camps over the summer holiday for you to attend! To book your child/children on you can call one of the four sites directly and book your place over the phone or in person.

(They will have free places as well as payable places – [so if your child accesses free School Meals, they will be entitled to a free space if available.](#))

To find out if you qualify for a free place you will need to fill out a short form which you can find here: <https://lifeleisure.jotform.com/211802552286352>



Once this has been filled in, it will take up to 48 hours for a response email. Once you get the response, it will let you know if you qualify for a free place or not, you can then call the site or pop in and book the days you want.

There will be a range of sports, free buffet lunch, arts and crafts, games, board games, a media workshop at all sites plus much more!

For all the information you'll need, you can find it on the website here: <https://www.lifeleisure.net/active-communities-team/holiday-camps/>

There is everything you will need to know, including how to book, where to book, times, dates, venues, frequently asked questions and a flow chart on how to apply and book if you're not sure.

If you have any other questions please email sasha.moore@lifeleisure.net

Midday Assistant Vacancies

We are currently recruiting midday assistants. You can view the job advert on Greater jobs from early next week. It is 5 hours per week over the lunchtime period (with the potential for some extra). If you are interested please contact the school office and they can provide you with the details and application form.

School Uniform September

There are lots of shops at the moment with 20% off school wear, so here is a list of school uniform in case anyone is an early bird!

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!**)

Summer Reading Challenge

Stockport Libraries are again running their annual reading challenge. We hope that our Abingdon children get involved!

The Summer Reading Challenge combines FREE access to books with fun, creative activities during the summer holidays.

Throughout the Challenge, library staff support the children, helping them to discover new authors and illustrators and to explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading.

Summer Reading Challenge 2022



Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

How the Challenge works:

- Children sign up through their local library and receive a Gadgeteers collector poster.
- Children read books of their own choice during the summer, collecting special stickers to complete their poster and extra incentives along the way.
- Library staff are on hand to advise and run family-friendly activities.
- Children who complete the Summer Reading Challenge are presented with a certificate and a medal.
- The official Challenge website hosts digital rewards, author videos, games and more for children to enjoy all summer: www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

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 have been sent out. 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.



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YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WIN
A YEAR OF
FRUIT & VEG
HOME DELIVERY

12 monthly fruit & veg boxes delivered to your door

The **PEARfect** prize!

- Help boost our fundraising
- Tickets cost just £1 per week each
- Weekly cash prize
- Win up to £25,000

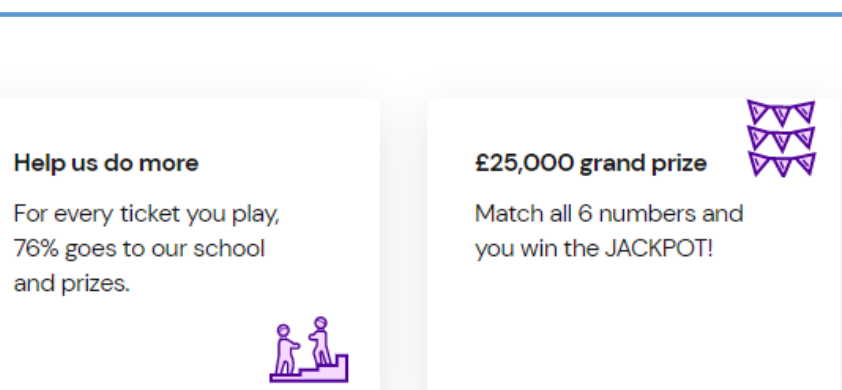
Play Now! Go to:
[YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/support](https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/support)
and search for: Abingdon Primary

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. See website for T&Cs. Closing date for entries: 27th August 2022

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 week's winner was Mrs Hilditch – congratulations to her! 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/>



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 **Year 3/4 Kites again** 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

Year 6 key dates/times:

Monday 18th July 2pm – Y6 Production

Tuesday 19th July 1:30pm – 3:00pm – Y6 disco (please ensure you child brings their disco clothes to school in a bag that day as well as a drink!)

Thursday 21st July – Leavers' assembly 9:00am

Parent Governor vacancy info:

We encourage applications from all members of society, regardless of background, gender, ethnicity, disability or age (as long as you're over 18).

Skills you will gain:

School governance allows you to develop your skills, both personally and professionally:

- Strategic planning
- Experience on a board
- Holding senior leaders to account
- Finance, and maintaining oversight of potentially multi-million pound budgets
- Human resources and performance management
- Project management
- Marketing

- Communication and teamwork
- Decision making

Time - governance usually requires about 6-8 hours per month (term time only)

The role - parent governors are not delegates and do not speak 'on behalf' of the parent body. The role and responsibilities of parent governors are no different from those of the other governors

Experience - school governors are the largest volunteer force in education, with around 250,000 governors in the UK. The successful candidate will receive full training. CPD is extremely important to our governing board.

Please do consider applying when the advert is published: there is a national vacancy rate of 10% - i.e. there are a lot of empty governor seats so we do need your input.

Holiday Dates 2022-2023

Autumn term

Thursday 1 st September	INSET
Friday 2 nd September	INSET
Monday 5 th September	Back to School
Friday 23 rd September	INSET
Friday 21 st October	Finish for half term holiday
Monday 31 st October	School returns
Friday 23 rd December	Finish for Christmas

Spring term

Monday 9 th January 2023	School returns
Friday 17 th February	Finish for half term holiday
Monday 27 th February	INSET
Tuesday 28 th February	School returns
Friday 31 st March	Finish for Easter

Summer term

Monday 17 th April	School returns
Monday 1 st May	May Day holiday
Friday 26 th May	Finish for Whit holiday
Monday 12 th June	School returns
Wednesday 26 th July	Finish for summer holidays
Thursday 27 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.