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Newsletter Friday 19th March 2021

Dates for your diary:

26th March – School closes for Easter break

12th April School reopens

12th April – Skip2Bfit workshops – [please send your child in wearing their P.E. kit on this day](#)

Tues 13th and Thurs 15th April - Parent/Carer and teacher conferences (virtual) *moved from w/c 22nd March*



Attendance

A huge 'well done' to all of our children who are coming in every day, on time. This week's Attendance Trophy was won by **Y6 Ospreys** with a fantastic collective attendance of **98%**! They will have the trophy in their classroom and be recognised with an own clothes day next Friday 26th March.



Y4 owls also achieve **97%** attendance so they have an own clothes day next Friday 26th March too.

Our whole school attendance this week was 95% which is just below national expectations of 96%. We are aiming for excellence in our attendance.

Please ensure your child is in school EVERY DAY, ON TIME to maximise their learning potential, and remember that every child with an attendance of 97% or over receives a prize each half term and is entered into a raffle for a special treat.

Frances House Easter Chicks

Thank you to everyone who supported Frances House charity again this year. We have sold over 300 eggs! We look forward to hearing back from Frances House regarding the exact total of our fundraising, but we anticipate it will be over £300. Well done Abingdon!



Drop off and Collection

Please keep to just **ONE** adult dropping off and collecting children where possible. We are seeing large groups of people bringing their child(ren) to school and this is obviously increasing our risk of possible COVID transmission. **Please also remember to wear a face mask.** The potential need to close bubbles still remains so please help reduce the spread of COVID where you can.

Please also be aware that it is illegal to park on the yellow lines outside of school. We have a high number of our school community arriving/leaving on foot and this helps ensure their safety. We have seen a number of traffic officers outside school recently, as well as parking cameras so please be aware of this. If you have to use the car to drop off or collect, park responsibly.

Parent/Carer Consultations

Booking slots will open at 7:00am on Monday 22nd March for virtual meetings which will be held on Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th April. You will need to log into your School Spider app or log in via the website to book an appointment. A letter providing information on how to log on and book an appointment was emailed out last week and is also available on the school website Letters page:

<https://www.abingdon.stockport.sch.uk/page/letters/61151>

If you have any queries or require any support in logging on, please contact the school office.

Booking slots close at 5:00pm on Wednesday 24th March.

E-Safety

In school we teach e-safety as part of our curriculum and the children have a good understanding of how to be safe online. However, I thought it useful to include a reminder about supporting your child in using technology safely outside of school, as I have received several queries over how best to do this.

As you know, most games have an age appropriate guidance rating and several popular games carry an age restriction of 18+. Social media channels such as Facebook and TikTok also have an age restriction of 13+, so please do check that your child is using the internet or apps safely by having them in the room with you whilst they are using their phone or by doing regular checks on apps they are using. You can find out more information via the link below and we will be providing opportunities for parents/carers to join in workshops and receive training on how to support e-safety outside of school. If school can help in any way then please do not hesitate to contact us.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

Parliament Workshop

Y5 and Y6 have taken part in an online Parliamentary workshop and the report from the team delivering the workshops was absolutely glowing! We are incredibly proud of our children and the way they act as ambassadors for our school. The organisers said the answers our Abingdon provided were 'the best we have had all week'. A huge well done to Y5 and Y6.

School Milk

We are moving providers for school milk to a company called 'School Milk UK'. Parents/carers will be able to purchase milk directly from the company. Any children who receive Free School Meals will be sent a separate email to complete a survey so that school can fund milk.

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please visit Stockport Council Website.

School Lottery

This week's lottery winner is a Y1 parent who won £18.90. Congratulations and thank you to all who participate!

Thank you to all who participate. If you would like to support our school by buying tickets for the weekly draw please go to:

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

There is a new initiative on School Lottery. **There is the opportunity to win a £500 bike voucher when you buy tickets – the draw is on 17th April.** Go to the website above and search for our school to enter.



Hot Chocolate with the Head

A huge well done to Nyla and Holly from Reception, Archie, Layla-Mae, Lincoln, Emily and Zach from KS1 and Edie, Dylan, Rose-Anne, Lily and Maggi-May from KS2. We all enjoyed a catch up and a hot chocolate together. We are very proud of the children being chosen for making good choices and for embodying the Abingdon core values of: Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

Times Table Rock stars

A HUGE well done to Loredana this week for achieving the greatest number of correct answers! You get to have a dip in the prize box!

We are very lucky to have this facility to help children with their learning so please encourage your child to spend some time each day practising their times tables to help them progress in class.



Finally, well done to **Y2 Rabbits** who won the Golden Broom this week for having the tidiest classroom. The Golden Broom is awarded by Mr Bosson in Friday assembly.

Wishing you a relaxing weekend; stay safe.

Mrs Clark
Headteacher

Covid 19 advice

The isolation period for COVID-19 is 10 days. See the link below for more information

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/how-long-to-self-isolate/>

Stockport is still in **full lockdown** <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/coronavirus-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

You should:

1) Keep your child off school, inform the school office and book a test.

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

2) Siblings or members of a childcare bubble must remain off school until test results are back -The whole family should self-isolate until the test results are returned.

3) If test is negative, your child/children can return to school (as long as they are well)

4) **If test is positive, keep your child at home for 10 days, other family members need to isolate for 10 days.**

Please contact school **immediately** so we can track and trace within the schools bubbles.

If you need medical advice the 111 website does have a symptom checker and will explain what to do.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

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>