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## Newsletter Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

### Dates for your diary:

**12<sup>th</sup> April** School reopens

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

**Tues 13<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> April** - Parent/Carer and teacher conferences (virtual)



### 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 **Y1/2 Foxes** with a fantastic collective attendance of **98%**! They will have the trophy in their classroom and be recognised with an own clothes day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April.



**Y3/4 Kites** also achieved 97% attendance so they have an own clothes day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April too.

### Attendance winners

All children who have achieved an attendance of 97% + over the past 3 weeks have been awarded a special certificate. We also held a randomised raffle during assembly where a child from each class was chosen to receive the attendance prize of a board game and additional prizes of Easter eggs. All children who achieved 97%+ attendance over the past 3 weeks were entered, as well as some children whose attendance has greatly improved or deserves a special inclusion in the draw. A big well done to all those children who won an attendance prize we hope you enjoy playing your board games and Easter eggs!

After Easter, for the Summer term, we will be going to another incentive of each class who achieves over 97% attendance receiving a 'kitty' prize of £5, £2 and £1 respectively for the highest whole class attendance over 97%. They will bank the money each week and be able to spend it on a fun activity at the end of the half term.

### Authorisation for Absences

Please remember that school require notification for any planned absences from school and paperwork must be submitted. Whilst I am prepared to authorise in absolutely exceptional circumstances, please do not expect this to be the case in all circumstances. The Local Authority is very clear on this matter and our whole school attendance is monitored regularly. Therefore a Request for Leave of Absence form must be submitted in order to consider any planned absences. Any days of absence taken without a request for leave will automatically be logged as unauthorised. If you require a form, please collect from the school office or download a copy from the Attendance section of the school website.

### Children in Need

Well done again to our Abingdon Family for being a fantastic supporter of charities. This time, we raised £176.10 for Children in Need, which will help improve the lives of young people across the UK. Thank you to all those who participated in the own clothes day and donated to the charity. Our certificate is on display in the entrance hall.

### Uniform after half term

Please ensure your child has the correct uniform for school. This includes grey or black trousers, black trainers or shoes (coloured or white trainers are **not** acceptable), white shirt or polo shirt and a red jumper or cardigan. Jumpers, cardigans and fleeces are available from the school office. Please email Mrs Beer via [wendy.beer@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:wendy.beer@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk) if you require any these items.

### Parent/Carer Consultations

Virtual meetings will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April (Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> for Y1 Squirrels). Teachers will email individual zoom meetings with passcodes to parents/carers so please look out for them.

### School Milk and Free School Meals

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 just go to [www.schollmilkuk.co.uk](http://www.schollmilkuk.co.uk). All issues have now been resolved. Any children who receive Free School Meals can receive free milk. If you would like your child to receive milk please email [admin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:admin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk)

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.

### School Lottery

This week's lottery winner is a Reception parent who won £18.90. Congratulations and 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 an initiative on School Lottery. **There is the opportunity to win a £500 bike voucher when you buy tickets – the draw is on 17<sup>th</sup> April.** Go to the website above and search for our school to enter.



### Hot Chocolate with the Head

A huge well done to Linkon and Olivia from Reception, Alfred, Jonathan, Olivia and Jessica from KS1 and Abigail, Harry, Pixie, Poppy and Quinn 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

Mrs Hunt – or should I say Smokey Durst – set a tournament over the past week and the game was ON! Y2 vs. Y3, Y4 vs. Y5 and Y6 vs. THE TEACHERS! The tournament is now complete and the winners are: Year 3, Year 5 and THE TEACHERS! We are a very competitive bunch – maybe next time Year 6!



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 **Y3 Falcons** 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 and restful Easter break. Enjoy the holidays and the gradual easing of restrictions.

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>