

Abingdon Primary School

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Dates for your diary:

Thurs 1st **July** – Transition day to next class (high school to be confirmed depending on high school risk assessments)

Tues 27th **July** – school closes for summer (usual of day time)

For Y6 end of year activities, please see separate letter sent to all parents/carers.

Welcome back to the last half term of the year! It has been absolutely wonderful seeing our children again this week – it always amazes me how much children can grow in just 2 weeks!

Due to government restrictions still being in place, this half term, classes will remain in their bubbles and visits to site are still by appointment only

Final half term attendance recognition arrangements:

- ★ The class with the highest overall attendance each week will have an extra 'big play', where we get out the bubbles, big games and have 15 minutes of extra fun!
- ★ 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 since 8th March return date, or who show good improvement of attendance, will have an end of year treat before we finish for the summer holiday.



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 Reception Otters with collective attendance of 98.95%! They will have the trophy in their classroom and be recognised with an own clothes day on Friday 25th June, as well as their 'big play' session!



The following classes will also have an **own clothes day on Friday 25**th **June**:

Y3/4 Kites – 98.67%

Y1 Squirrels - 97%

Y3 Falcons - 97%

Y5 Kestrels – 96% and Reception Badgers – 95%. These percentages are not the required 97% but both classes have shown a <u>HUGE</u> improvement so keep it up!

Please make sure your child is in school every day, on time

Attendance Half Term Treat

The children who were selected in the attendance raffle had a fantastic time this week on the bouncy castle! They were all wonderful examples of how our children take turns, play fairly and really enjoy being together. Well done – we are very proud of them all!







Abingdon Advocates



Our Abingdon Advocates certificate recipients are:

William B, Abbie N, Toby, Summer, Casey G, Anna, Haywood, Aaron and Jayden K.

A huge well-done and thank you to these children for representing our school so wonderfully.

A big well done to Lama in Y3 who has also been chosen as an Abingdon Advocate by her class teachers. We are thrilled that you are constantly setting a fantastic example for others.

Our Abingdon Advocates received their special grey jumpers this week (or fleece/cardigan) so you can spot them

Staffing Changes for 2021-2022

There will be a number of staffing changes for the coming academic year.

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It is with great sadness that we will say goodbye to Miss Waters, our Learning Mentor, as she moves to London over the summer holidays. Miss Waters has been with us for 18 months and has been an immense support to the school community and families, particularly throughout the challenges presented by the pandemic. We wish Miss Waters every success in her exciting next chapter.

Mrs Sutton is also leaving as she moves back nearer home and takes up a leadership job in a high school supporting children with English from September. Mrs Sutton joined our school in 2017 after working in China. She has made a tremendous impact in KS1 and I know she will continue to excel as she moves into the exciting world of high school teaching! We wish her every success.

Mrs Nally, our fabulous Y6 Midday Assistant will also be leaving at the end of the year to have her baby. We wish her lots of luck and we look forward to baby cuddles in the autumn term. Thank you Mrs Nally for all you support and hard work – you will be greatly missed.

Mrs Lamb is staying with us, but is moving out of class in terms of usual class teaching, to become our Child Advocate Virtual Class Lead. She will be leading on attendance, supporting children with social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) needs, as well as delivering whole class emotion and relationship sessions across the school. She will be based in the Rainbow Room from September.

We have two new teachers joining the Abingdon Family in September: Miss Grey who will be our KS1 lead and Miss Walton who will be teaching in the upper juniors. We are looking forward to welcoming them to the team. Both Miss Grey and Miss Walton will be coming into school over the next half term to get to know the children and support positive transitions.

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School uniform reminder

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, or red gingham summer dress/skirt. Jumpers, cardigans and fleeces are available from the school office. Please email Mrs Beer via wendy.beer@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk if you require any these items.

Reddish Stars Netball Club

Mrs Beer will be sending out a separate flyer for Reddish Stars Netball Club so please look out for this information if you are interested. Children can attend from Y1 to Y11. Sessions are £3 and run every Sunday morning at Reddish Vale High School.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please visit https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-schoolmeals/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 Y1 parent, who won £18. Congratulations and thank you to all who participate! There is a new competition being held by Your School Lottery, with the prizes being B&Q vouchers worth £100.

If you would like to support our school by buying tickets for the weekly draw please go to:

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





Hot Chocolate with the Head

A huge well done to children nominated this week: Ria, Arian, Abigail J, Michael, Abbie N, Abby-Leigh and Lacey W in KS2; Lincoln, Archie O and Bradley in KS1; Marley and Daisy-Mae in Reception. We 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.



Finally, well done to Year 1/2 Foxes 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 in Friday assembly.

I will be off site Thursday and Friday next week attending the Stockport Headteacher conference, so Ms Flanders will be acting in my absence.

Wishing you a lovely weekend. 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