Abingdon Primary School

Ms Spendlows' Welcome

Friday 9th May 2025

Dear All,

I hope you had a lovely bank holiday weekend and made the most of it. Next week, our Year 6 children will be sitting their end of key stage government assessments. The children have worked so hard throughout their time here at Abingdon and we are so proud of each and every one of them. Children, please remember that these assessments tell us nothing of who you are as a person, they don't show our amazing artists, or our superb athletes / footballers/ swimmers. They don't show the kindness and respect that you show to each other. All they show is a snapshot of knowledge evidenced in a contrived situation. Seven years of education, life experiences, friendships and wellbeing cannot be captured in a 45minute test. All we have ever asked is for you to come in with a positive attitude, and to try your best. We are proud of you all already!!

This Week's Roundup

Forest Schools

There is NO Forest Schools this week due to Statutory Testing for Year 6.

VE day Celebrations



We had a fabulous time yesterday celebrating VE day. We had a whole school discussion led by Mrs about why we are celebrating and we had our whole school singalong! We also shared some lovely photos of items brought in by Thomas in Year 2 -photos of his Grandfather and the medals he was awarded in the war. If you have any family stories or photographs of VE day 80 years ago please do send them in to your class teacher to share with the class. SATs don't measure art, SATs don't measure music, Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't measure sports

SATs don't see your beauty, SATs don't know your worth, SATs don't see the reasons, You were put upon this earth.

SATs don't see your magic, How you make others smile, SATs don't time how quickly, You can run a mile.

SATs don't hear your laughter, Or see you've come this far, SATs are just a tiny glimpse, Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table, With a pencil and your test, Remember SATs aren't who you are, Remember you're the best!



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Thank you to Thomas in Y2 for sharing pictures and medals of his grandfather in the war.

Thumbs Up

Thank you to everyone for coming today to our final Thumbs up of the year. it will be back in the Autumn term! In the meantime, we still have a DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) session left on Thurs 19th June which we would love you to attend!

Summer Fayre

Please put the Summer Fayre in your diaries! It is booked in for Fri 4th July. There is no afterschool club that day. If you would like to help with any stalls or setting up in the afternoon, we would appreciate any help!

If you have a small business and would like a stall please contact the office.

Email admin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk for both

Attendance Awards

Each term we put all the names of the children who have over 96% attendance into a draw. The name draw wins a prize for their whole family – this is our way of saying thank you for getting the children into school!

This term the prize is £50 cinema vouchers!

Study Bugs



If you haven't already, **please download the free Studybugs app**, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.

(https://studybugs.com/about/parents



Reminders:



Please be courteous to our neighbours when parking and adhere to the double yellow lines. The Nursery/ Surestart car park can unfortunately not be used by Abingdon parents. Try parking a few roads away and walking to school.

Please bring healthy, appropriately sized snacks to school for morning break and choose packed lunch items carefully to ensure they provide a balanced diet.



Please can we remind parents that children in Years R - 4 must be collected by someone **over the age of 16.**

Dates for the Diary

	
May	
Mon 12th	Year 6 Statutory Assessment week – Breakfast
	for Y6 from 8.15 Mon- Thurs!
Fri 16th	Y6 Visit to Petty Pool
Fri 23 rd	Finish for Whit
June	
Mon 9th	Return to School
Thurs 19th	DEAR – please come into class to share a book
	with your child -all classes as usual
July	
Fri 4th	Summer Fayre 3.30 – 5pm
	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Tues 15 th	Y6 performance 9.15am
Wed 16 th	Y6 performance 9.15am
Mon 21 st	Y6 Leavers Disco 5-7pm
Fri 25th	Year 6 Leavers assembly 9.15am
	Year 6 Roll of honour 3.25pm
	Finish for Summer
	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We have had a number of queries about next year's term dates. Please see below for our new term dates.

Abingdon Term Dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term

Monday 1st September – INSET Day Tuesday 2nd September – INSET Day Wednesday 3rd September – Whole school return. Friday 24th October – Finish for Half Term Monday 3rd November – INSET Day Tuesday 4th November – Whole school return Friday 19th December – Finish for Christmas

Spring Term

Monday 5th January – Whole school return Friday 13th February – Finish for Half Term Monday 23rd February – INSET Day Tuesday 24th February – Whole school return Friday 27th March – Finish for Easter

Summer Term

Monday 13th April – Whole school return Monday 4th May – May Bank Holiday Friday 22nd May – Finish for Half Term Monday 8th June – Whole school return Friday 24th July – Finish for summer Monday 27th July – INSET Day

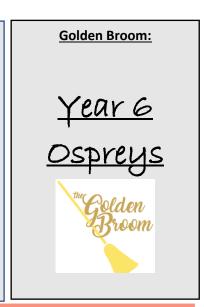
Celebrations

Hot Chocolate!

Each week the teachers choose children who have go over and above in their behaviour. It is a pleasure to have a hot chocolate with them each week and find out what they have done.



Lunchtime class of week: Reception: James & Lilly-Rae KS1: Foxes LKS2: Falcons UKS2: Ospreys



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<u>Attendance:</u> Our Whole School attendance this week is: 96.4%

The following classes all got over 96% this week: Y1 Squirrels, Y3 Falcons, Y3/4 Kites, Y4 Owls,

Y5 Merlins & Y6 Ospreys.

The class with the highest attendance was Y3 Falcons with 99.3%!

Falcons have won Sweet treat Friday!

<u>Certificate winners:</u> We have had our termly 'Children's Assembly' where our Stars of the Week are chosen by their classmates rather than teachers:

Badgers: Lilly-Rae

Y1 Squirrels: Alyaan

Y1/2 Hedgehogs: Hasnain

Y2 Foxes: Archie

Y3 Falcons: Florence

Y3/4 Kites: Lexi-Leigh

Y4 Owls: Ayesha A

Y5 Merlins: Archie T

Y6 Ospreys: Freddie

Y6 Hawks: Saskia

Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

School Lottery:

For those families new to school, we have a school lottery that is run by the website below. Every ticket sold provides much needed funding for our school.

If you would like to take part please do sign up using the link below. Thank you. <u>https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/</u>



