



# Abingdon Primary School

Friday 4th July 2025

## Ms Spendlows' Welcome

Dear All,

Well it has been another busy week here at Abingdon! We had our final Sports Day for LKS2; thank you to all the parents who came to support their child and to the children who have helped over all of this year's days. Thursday saw our transition day for all our children. The children got to meet their new teacher and see their new classroom for the first time. This leads me on to welcome and introduce everyone to our two new teachers joining us this September. Taking over Year 5 Kestrels will be Mr Crone and in Year 5 Merlins we welcome Mrs White. Both our new teachers were in for the transition day, to meet their new classes. We also welcomed our new Reception children in on Thursday morning for a taster session and to meet the new Reception team.

The week will be concluded this evening with our annual Summer Fair. Again, thank you for all the donations over the past few weeks; and thank you for supporting the school. We hope that you have a wonderful time and we will share how much we have raised in next week's newsletter.

Red House Farm in Dunham Massey are holding their annual holiday club over the summer holidays. The club is for children in Years 1 – 6 held on a real working organic farm. Activities include: Den building, foraging and cooking, wildcrafting with real tools, meeting and feeding the resident pigs and lots of music and singing. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Reddish Vale Nursery are now offering funded places in their 2-year old provision. They have sessions from 08.30am – 11.30am or 12.30pm – 3.30pm. Please see attached flyer.

## This Week's Roundup

**Forest Schools-** The next session of Forest Schools is for Reception Badgers on Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> July.

### Next Years classes:

We hope the children all enjoyed their transition day – the teachers and teaching assistants certainly did. For your information -here is the class layout for September 2025-26:

Rec Badgers – Mrs Chilvers  
Yr1/2 Squirrels- Miss Cleary  
Y2 Foxes - Miss Marsden  
Y3 Falcons – Mrs Carnall (Miss Hammond)  
Y3/4 Kites – Mr Taylor  
Y4 Owls – Mrs Brett and Ms Flanders  
Y5 Merlins – Mrs White  
Y5 Kestrels – Mr Crone  
Y6 Ospreys – Mr Brading  
Miss Marsden will be Key Stage Lead for EYFS and KS1 (downstairs classes)  
Mr Brading will be KS2 lead (upstairs classes)  
Year 2 parents should have received an important letter about the move to Year 3 just after half term– if you did not receive it via email please speak to Miss Marsden.

## Sports Days

### LKS2



That's a wrap on Sports Day for this year! We are pretty impressed that we had no cancellations or rescheduling to do! Huge thanks to Mrs Lamb and our Sports Ambassadors for running all the events!



### Attendance

If your child's attendance drops below 95%, you will be receiving a call/ message from the class teacher. This is to help families and children improve attendance and to ensure that every child has the full opportunity of a full education.

### School Uniform

Can we please remind children that sports clothing should only be worn on PE days. Our school uniform is black/grey trousers/shorts/skirt; white polo shirt, red gingham dress, red cardigan/sweatshirt, black shoes. Our school PE kit is black shorts/leggings, white polo shirt.

### Attendance Awards

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

For the Summer 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

June	
July	
Fri 4th	Summer Fayre 3.30 – 5pm <b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB</b>
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 performance 9.15am
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 performance 9.15am
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	Y6 Leavers Disco 5-7pm
Fri 25th	Year 6 Leavers assembly 9.15am Year 6 Roll of honour 3.25pm Finish for Summer <b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB</b>

**New dates – in yellow**

**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 1<sup>st</sup> September – INSET Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – INSET Day

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Whole school return.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Finish for Half Term

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – INSET Day

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Whole school return

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Finish for Christmas

### **Spring Term**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Whole school return

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Finish for Half Term

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – INSET Day

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Whole school return

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Finish for Easter

### **Summer Term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Whole school return

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – May Bank Holiday

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Finish for Half Term

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Whole school return

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Finish for summer

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July – INSET Day

# Celebrations

## Hot Chocolate!

Each week the teachers choose children who have gone 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: Ivey-Jayne & Hadi

KS1: Hedgehogs

LKS2: Kites

UKS2: Merlins



## Golden Broom:

# Yr 3 Falcons



Attendance: Our Whole School attendance this week is: 95.9%

The following classes all got over 96% this week: Reception Badgers, Y2 Foxes, Y3 Falcons, Y4 Owls, Y5 Merlins, and Y6 Ospreys

The class with the highest attendance was Reception Badgers with 98%!!!!

Badgers have won 'Milkshake' for the class next week, Miss Hall will let the children know what day will be!



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

Badgers: Phoebe

Y1 Squirrels: Hunter-Cole

Y1/2 Hedgehogs: Jack

Y2 Foxes: Tommy

Y3 Falcons: Abeera

Y3/4 Kites: Poppy

Y4 Owls: Michelle

Y5 Merlins: Alisha

Y6 Ospreys: Amara

Y6 Hawks: Olivia

*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.

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

