

Abingdon Primary School

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Newsletter Friday 29th April 2022

Dates for your diary:

Monday 2nd May – School closed for Bank Holiday

Friday 6th May - Eid celebration day (whole school) - see below for info

Mon 9th – Thursday 12th May – KS2 Test week (Y6)

Friday 13th May – Rocksteady music assembly and workshops (Y1-6) more info to follow for any parents/carers wanting to book music sessions

16th – **20**th **May** – Keeping Safe Week in school (educational week focussed on how we can look after ourselves and others)

Friday 20th May – class photos for the whole school

Friday 27th May – Thumbs Up Friday (parents/carers invited in to look at their child's learning)

Friday 27th May – school closes usual time of 3:15 for half term ***NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FRIDAY 27TH MAY***

School reopens for final half term Monday 13th June

Please do not bring dogs into the playground or onto the school premises. Please also remember that bikes and scooters are NOT to be ridden by parents or children on the school grounds.

Thank you for your support in these site safety measures.



Attendance recognition arrangements:

★ The class with the highest overall attendance each week will have the opportunity to 'spin the wheel'. The wheel has many options of fantastic activities children can enjoy, such as wear your slippers day, extra play time and many more!

★ 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, or who show good improvement of attendance, will have an end of year treat. Attendance monitoring includes broken weeks and lateness. You MUST contact school if your child is late or absent.

The class with the highest attendance this week is: Y2 Rabbits with an amazing 99%. Well done! They have won popcorn in class as treat next week from spinning the wheel, as well as an own clothes day. Y6 Ospreys also achieved a fantastic attendance of 97% this week so they too will be having an own clothes day. The class teacher will contact parents/carers to let them know what day will be.

End of Half Term Attendance treat

We will be having an end of half term treat in the usual raffle format (spinner). The prize this half term is: participation in an animal roadshow workshop! Animals will be visiting Abingdon, so make sure your child is entered by having good attendance over the whole half term (this includes being in on time each day).







Summer Fayre!

I am delighted to share the date of our summer fayre Friday 8th July. The fayre will run after school from 3:30pm to 5:30pm and there will be a host of stalls ranging from selling refreshments to playing games. We hope that you are able to join us. If you would like to have a stall at the fayre, please contact the school office on 0161 480 4531 / joanne.gooddwin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk. Stalls are £10 each.



We would also greatly appreciate parents/carers helping us to run stalls on the day. If you are able to give some of your time to school – with the additional bonus of a free strip of raffle tickets and a drink/snack – please contact Ms Flanders via <u>claire.flanders@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk</u>. A big thank you in advance! Further information will be sent out soon.



Funtopia (advert only – not endorsed by or affiliated with school)

Info sent from Funtopia to school:

Funtopia, the Children's Festival is aimed at under 10's and tours the UK every summer. We're coming to Stockport for the first time on Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May and we'd love to let all of the surrounding communities know! Funtopia is a fantastic family day out which includes unlimited play on inflatables, role play areas, family workshops, games and activities.

All of our Funtopia events are Autism Friendly, with qualified staff, Sensory Play Areas and Activities, a Quiet Area and Queue Jump Passes with proof of eligibility!

KS1 visit to Reddish Vale Park

The KS1 children have enjoyed a wonderful visit to Reddish Vale Park this week, where they carried out some Geography fieldwork as well as finding inspiration for their writing about nature. They also incorporated some digital photography into the session. I am sure you agree that there are some fantastic artists in the making too. Thank you to Miss Gray for organising. Here are some pictures of the visit.



End of Year Bouncy Castle Attendance Treat

We will be holding our annual whole school treat for good/improved attendance at the end of the academic year on **Tuesday 26th July**. We have booked bouncy castles for the children to enjoy throughout the morning.



This is available to children whose attendance is 95% or over, **or** children whose attendance has shown improvement. This means that EVERY child in school has the opportunity to take part. Parents/carers of children whose attendance is currently under

95% have received a letter explaining how this treat is open to everyone in school who attends regularly and on time, and shows improvement over the summer term. Reminder letters will also be sent out before half term. Please contact school on 0161 480 4531, or via your child's class teacher, if we can support you with your child's attendance. We want your child to be in school every day, so we will gladly help with any aspect of attendance.

Eid Celebration Day (whole school)

Next Friday 6th May, we will be celebrating Eid. All children are invited to wear their party/Eid clothes for the day. We will be enjoying Eid activities in class where children will learn about how people who follow Islam celebrate the festival.

WOW - Walk to School Challenge

Thank you for supporting the Big walk and Wheel over the last 3 weeks. Children can earn badges by travelling to school in other ways than by car/if that is not possible parking further away and walking.



Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please visit <u>https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-school-grants-free-school-meals</u> This means that more money is given to school to provide children with additional opportunities, such as free school trips and additional academic support. You will be helping school if your child is eligible for Free School Meals so please do look and apply if you think you may be eligible. We have a varied menu which changes weekly, so your child will always enjoy a healthy, filling lunch.

Cars idling outside school

An issue of great concern has been reported to me this week: cars have been idling (leaving your vehicle engine running while stationary) outside school when waiting by the fence area.

Please switch off your car engine if you are waiting outside school, for any period of time. The fumes alone are extremely hazardous to everyone's health – especially young children – and it is made even worse in the winter months.

In doing so, any drivers who are choosing to idle either at drop off or pick up, are breaking rule 123 of the Highway Code and putting other people's health at risk.

I am sure you join me in wanting to keep the school a healthy and safe environment so please support this campaign.

School Lottery

Congratulations to our winner this week: one of our school governors Mr Peter Edgerton. Congratulations! Thank you to all who participate and please share the link with wider friends and family – every ticket <u>helps us</u> <u>receive more funding for school</u>!

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This really helps support our school so, if you can, please do sign up for a weekly ticket. Thank you. <u>https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/</u>

How the lottery works

£1 per ticket

That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.

Help us do more

For every ticket you play, 76% goes to our school and prizes. £25,000 grand prize

Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!



A big well done to the following children who have impressed their class teacher this week by following our core values in and around school:

Ollie in Reception Otters, Bobby in Reception Badgers, Scarlett-Mae in Y1 Squirrels, Rory in Y2 Rabbits, All of Y3/4 Falcons, Tristan in Y3/4 Owls, All of Y3/4 Kites, Lewis in Y5 Kestrels, Ruby-Jai in Y5/6 Merlins and Kyra in Y6 Ospreys.

Thank you for acting as super role models for everyone in school.

Finally, well done to Year 5 Kestrels 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.



Wishing you a lovely weekend and Eid Mubarak to all our families celebrating next week. Mrs Clark Headteacher

Covid-19 advice

Please refer to our Parent/Carer Q&A guide for queries about Covid-19 in school. <u>Click here</u> to access it online The isolation period for COVID-19 is 6 days with a negative LFD test (24 hours apart on day 5 and day 6). See the link below for more information <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-</u> <u>what-to-do/</u> School 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 or if your child receives a positive lateral flow test, **they should remain at home until they are feeling well again.**

Please inform school if anyone in your child's household tests positive for Covid-19.