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Newsletter Friday 9th October 2020

Dates for your diary:

Fri 16th Freddy Fit – Wear Own Sports kit!

Fri 23rd Oct – Finish for Half term

Mon 2nd Nov – INSET day

Tues 3rd Nov – Term starts

Tues 10th and Thurs 12th Nov – parent/carer consultations (Y1 – Y6 telephone)

Mental Health Week

This week is Mental Health Week. The children have been doing mindfulness activities and thinking about always being kind as no-one ever knows what someone else is going through. They all did treasure hunts (in their bubbles!) around school and had to find the clues linked to different emotions, and of course today the school is a wonderful sea of yellow for Hello Yellow Day. Thank you so much for all your contributions, a total of £178.00 was raised. The money will go to Young Minds – a wonderful charity that supports young people with mental health problems. Here is what some of the children thought about it:

I liked wearing yellow, it made me feel happy! And it was nice to do something for others- Lola and Skye

I liked doing bubble colouring. Every time we coloured a bubble we thought of something we are thankful for - Kayden

We liked doing the treasure hunt! It was fun – Lots of children in 3/4 Kites!

Freddy Fit

Next Friday 16th October Freddy Fit is in school. If you are new to school you might not have come across Freddy Fit, but he is a brilliant sports coach who gets all the children moving and excited about being active. The children can come to school in their own sports clothes with trainers, ready to move!

Mr Marley

Next Friday 16th would also have been our late site supervisor Mr Marley's birthday. He would have retired then too and this was something he was looking forward to. We feel as though we should mark this occasion in school. However, we are still not in the position to have any kind of event, therefore staff are doing a birthday collection to give to his family. I would never normally open this out to families, but I know many people were saddened by his passing during the lockdown period, as he was such a big part of the Abingdon Family. If you would like to contribute anything please bring it to the office, where there is also a memory book you can sign.

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COVID reminders

School is following guidance from the government regarding COVID 19. The current government advice is:

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 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 14 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.

Attendance

This week attendance for the whole school is at 95.5%. This is an improvement on recent weeks, but we still need to increase it to 97%+. Let's see if we can get it there in the last two weeks of the half term!



I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Ms Flanders
Deputy Headteacher

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