Abbey CE Academy Weekly Newsletter

"Together, anything is possible"

"Everything is possible for one who believes"

Mark 9:23

Date— 11th July 2025

Principals Message

Principal's Message

Happy Friday Everyone. I hope that you are enjoying the sunshine and not getting too hot.

We have had a busy couple of weeks in school. Sports day was a great success and it was wonderful to see so many parents spectating. I love seeing all of the children from St James joining with Abbey children in a proper primary school sports day. That you to everyone who supported with this and a big thank you to Mr Daly for organising the event. We look forward to next year.

Some Year 5 children then represented the school at the annual DRET summer cup. They all did an amazing job and many medals were won. They also thoroughly enjoyed getting face painting and getting their shirts signed by Alistair Brownlee and the other athletes who were at the event. David Ross himself even helicoptered in to spend his birthday at the summer cup.

The Year 6 children spent 2 days at their new secondary schools last week and most of them came back buzzing and excited for their new adventure in September.

A small group of children attended the Nevill Holt sports festival this week. This was a new event for us and all feedback was extremely positive. Well done to all of the children that took part.

Yesterday, we had the Year 6 leavers' service followed by the leavers' party. The service was wonderful with all of the children sharing memories from their time at the Abbey. It was lovely to hear about so many positive experiences that they will take with them into secondary school.

The party was a great success, particularly the photo booth. Everyone loved getting dressed up and taking photos, even Sherman the sheep had a go! The children had a wonderful time and behaved brilliantly. A big thank you to Mrs Harris and Mrs How for organising the event and thank you to all staff who stayed to support.

Finally, today we have had the indoor rowing challenge in school. All of the children have been racing on rowing machines and having a wonderful time, despite the heat.

As we draw towards the final part of the year, a reminder that the last day of term is Tuesday 22nd July. Uniform should still be worn until the last day, including shoes. If you need any help with uniform, please ask. Toys of any kind are not allowed in school unless this has been agreed with myself due to a specific need.

As always please contact me anytime of DGodfrey1@abbeyceacademy.co.uk or call or visit me at school during school hours.

Thank you for your continued support, have a great weekend.

School Messages

Important reminders: All after school clubs have now finished for this academic year

Warm Weather Reminder

As the weather becomes warmer please can children bring a water bottle daily, sun cream and hats to keep safe when outside.

Curriculum News

Year 3

We have had a wonderful last week together in Kandinsky Class.

The children produced some amazing Hot Writes for their 'defeat the monster' tales using the skills they have acquired over the year. In reading we have looked deeper at the Sea Fever poem, giving our opinions and asking questions about the text. We have text marked the poem, this has helped with our fluency when performing it. In maths we are continuing with money and decimals, we have been calculating how much change is given from a certain amount. In RE we have been looking at what good news Jesus wanted to teach people through his stories, the children had some incredible thoughts and ideas.

Year 4

Again, it has been a very busy week in Year 4 again. In Talk for Writing, we have been planning and writing our hot writes about our new, amazing holiday destinations. We have used our persuasive toolkits and persuasive techniques. In Talk for Reading, we have continued looking at our texts about rainforests, this week we have been looking at making predictions about the text and understanding different fonts used. In Maths, we have started learning about mass and volume. We have looked at using kilograms and grams as well as litres and millilitres.

In RE this week, we have summarised this terms learning and answered questions about the world Jesus would want. In Science, we really enjoyed bringing together this terms learning by creating a fact file about the effects of global warming. In PE, we finished our cricket topic by playing some games and in Geography, we created a poster about renewable and non-renewable energy.

The highlight of the week was our rowing session on Friday. We loved this activity and learnt lots about the sport. We also had a brilliant time at the year 6's leavers service at church.

Year 5

What a fantastic week we have had in year five!

We have been very bust as usual, learning about lots of new things.

In Talk for Writing this week we have been working on our hot writes based on the story 'Kidnapped' by Pie Corbett. We have used the structure to help us with our ideas and made sure that we used our settings toolkit to help us create the best settings we could. We have enjoyed sharing our stories with the rest of the class.

In Talk for Reading, we have continued with the text 'Beowulf'. We have created a diary entry as if we are Beowulf and how he has managed to slay two evil monsters.

In maths we are now learning about length. We have been completing word problems about are and length.

RE this week have looked at how our life is like a pilgrimage as well as going to church to watch the leavers service on Thursday.

Well done for a fantastic week Matisse!

Curriculum News

Year 6

This week has been busy with preparing for the leavers' service and our production. Children have been out on transition. Everyone has been busy rehearsing for Gladis Baker Gladiator on our new stage - it is really coming together. The children have been thinking back over their time at The Abbey and creating art pieces to portray their memories. In RE the children have learned more about pilgrimages from the perspective of adherents of different religions. We concluded our week with a rowing session enjoyed by all. Well done Year 6 - Keep up the hard work!

NHS School Nurse

Did you know that every school has an NHS School Nurse team? We are a team of Qualified School Nurses, Community Staff Nurses, Healthy Child Practitioners and School Nurse Assistants. We work all year-round Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays). We are happy to provide information, advice, and guidance on a range of health needs from reception to Year 13

We can be contacted:

- **By phone 0800 170 7055 option 4**
- **Live Chat: https://www.nhft.nhs.uk/0-19**
- **www.nhft.nhs.uk/childrenshub**
- **Chat Health (our text-based School Nurse messaging service) for parents and young people aged 11 and over. Monday to Friday 8.30 -4.30 pm - 07507 329600**

You can also contact us for any school aged immunisation queries.

- **By phone: 0800 170 7055 option 5**
- **Website: Children's resources, tips and advice hub | NHFT**

Yours faithfully

0-19 Children's Service

NHS
Northamptonshire Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

School Lunch

Please remember to book your school meals on MCAS by Tuesday for the following week

- Please ensure you have the My Child as School (MCAS) app downloaded and it is updated
- Parents are able to book dinners by selecting them via the MCAS app and the dinner widget. Please ensure you book meals in time, otherwise the meal booking becomes 'locked' and you cannot select it. You can check this by seeing you can book a future date. Meals must be booked by a Tuesday for the following Monday to Friday
- There are no longer any parent or school codes needed for the app
- If you are having any issues try resetting your password in the first instance

Top Tips

- Use the same email address we have registered at school
- Parents set the password and pin
- Ensure you book in time, otherwise the meal booking becomes 'locked' and you cannot select it. You can check this by seeing if you can book a future date. Meals must be booked by a Tuesday for the following Monday to Friday.
- Have allowed MCAS notifications in your phone settings
- Have checked your email addresses and contact information on the app are accurate

Click here for MCAS parent manual. Please pop in to the school office if you need any help.

Air Ambulance Clothing Bank

We are extremely fortunate to have required a clothing bank for the Air Ambulance,

It is located within the carpark ready for your donations.

What you can donate:

- Clothing
- Towels
- Sheets
- Blankets
- Curtains
- Paired Shoes

Dates for the Diary

July

Thursday 10th Year 6 Leavers Service 2pm Holy Cross Church and Leavers Party (Details to follow)

Monday 14th - Year 6 Performance “Gladis Baker, Gladiator”

Tuesday 15th - Year 5 Performance “Gladis Baker, Gladiator”

Wednesday 16th—Tuesday 22nd July —Move Up. Stay Up

Term Dates for Academic Year 2024-2025

Term 1	**Training Day**	**Friday 30th August 2024**
	Training Day	**Monday 2nd September 2024**
	Term Begins	**Tuesday 3rd September 2024**
	Term Ends	**Friday 18th October 2024**
Term 2	**Term Begins**	**Monday 4th November 2024**
	Term Ends	**Friday 20th December 2024**
Term 3	**Training Day**	**Monday 6th January 2025**
	Term Begins	**Tuesday 7th January 2025**
	Term Ends	**Friday 14th February 2025**
Term 4	**Term Begins**	**Monday 24th February 2025**
	Term Ends	**Friday 4th April 2025**
Term 5	**Term Begins**	**Tuesday 22nd April 2025**
	Bank Holiday	**Monday 5th May 2025**
	Term Ends	**Friday 23rd May 2025**
Term 6	**Term Begins**	**Monday 2nd June 2025**
	Term Ends	**Tuesday 22nd July 2025**
	Training Day	**Wednesday 23rd July 2025**
	Training Day	**Thursday 24th July 2025**