Abbey CE Academy Weekly Newsletter

"Together, anything is possible"

"Everything is possible for one who believes"

Mark 9:23

Date—3rd March 2023

Principals Message

Principal's Message

The evenings and mornings are gradually getting lighter and Spring is now upon us.

The children and staff continue to work hard and make me so proud everyday.

Thank you to everyone who completed the parent survey. It was great to see so much positivity about the school. If you do have any concerns, please do come and see me or call or email.

The ethos committee visited the Daventry Larder this week and really enjoyed the experience. They are continuing to ask for donations for the food bank as part of our desire to help the local community. Please continue to donate when you can.

Thank you so much for all of the Easter egg donations today for the tombola. My office currently looks like a chocolate shop and I will be testing my willpower for the next few weeks 😊

As always, if you need to get in touch, nothing is too big or too small Dgodfrey1@abbeyceacademy.co.uk

Have a great weekend.

Year 3,5 and 6 Parents Evening

Please remember to book your appointment via the MCAS app.

Attendance

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The attendance for the school this week was 95.40%

The class that achieved the highest attendance Lewis with 100%

School Messages

School Meals

The menu is on ParentPay, please remember to book your child's school meal before midnight on the Tuesday before the week you are booking for. Meals for Week Commencing 13th March needs to be booked by midnight on Tuesday 7th March. If you do not book by this date, you will need to send in a packed lunch as the school will be unable to provide a lunch if not booked in advance. This includes Free School Meals—these must be booked by parents in the same way via ParentPay www.parentpay.com

Timetable for PE

Year 3—Monday
Year 4—Tuesday
Year 5—Wednesday
Year 6—Thursday

29th March 2023 Easter Service and Parade

Our Easter Service will start at 2pm, Holy Cross Church – all invited.

After the service children from St James will be walking back to The Abbey and joining our Year 3 and 4 children for an Easter parade to show off their wonderful Easter bonnets/Baskets. Y5/6 will be able to watch the parade.

£1 DONATION

WEAR SOMETHING YELLOW

DAVENTRY MAYOR'S

MUFTI DAY

FRIDAY 31ST MARCH 2023

We are encouraging all children to take part and wear something yellow

In Aid of Marie Curie

DAVENTRY TOWN COUNCIL

www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk

Curriculum News

Year 3 - Potter

We have had an exciting week in Year 3. Lots of practical activities and discussions. In Science, we have been learning about classifications using Liquorice Allsorts, the children even had a little try of the Liquorice after the lesson. In Geography, we have been investigating what it was like to be a citizen in the Ancient Greek Empire, we decided we prefer modern England. In Maths, we continued our time topic and in English we continued looking at an information text about "nasty creatures". We look forward to what next week brings.

Year 4 - Dahl

This week in Dahl we have been learning about topic sentences and how we structure our ideas in paragraphs. In Maths we have been revising our multiplications facts and using grids to identify patterns. In Geography, we have investigated natural resources and created fact files. In Science we have been learning about day and night. In DT we have been creating 3D objects for our nightlights from nets.

Year 5 - Shakepeare

Year 5 have been completing reading and maths assessments this week - this will show us progress they have made since the end of Year 4.

We have continued getting to know our text in writing this week, looking at the structure of a biography. In RE we created our own God and discussed the qualities of God from a Christians view.

This week each child has planted a sunflower in support of Down Syndrome Day, we will watch them grow in class until 21st March, the children can then take them home.

Year 6 - Lewis

Another fantastic week in Lewis Class.

We have been busy in Reading and Writing focussing on retrieval and inference questions. We made sure that when we retrieve information from a text, we copy it exactly as it says and make sure we don't put it into our own words. We enjoyed working on the inference questions as it allowed us to 'read between the lines' and be detectives searching for clues.

My maths group has been whizzing through multiplication and division this week. We have also had a go at ratio. I have been super impressed with how the children have risen to the challenge and got stuck into their work.

In RE this week, we looked at the covenants God has made with people in the Bible. We focussed on Moses and King David and looked at how they didn't keep their side of the promise.

Year 6 planted sunflower seeds on Wednesday for World Down Syndrome Day. They've been watered and have pride of place on the windowsills in the classrooms. Hopefully they will come home at the end of the month looking strong and healthy!

Year 5 - Blyton

This week in Blyton we all worked so hard completing some assessments, the children had a fabulous and mature attitude towards these - well done everyone.

It has been another musical week for us, as our opera is fast-approaching - we have learned a new song this week - and we are beginning to think about putting together a performance for one of our songs too. In English and Reading we have explored some new vocabulary in our texts and did lots of reading out loud to practice our fluency. In Science, we were very intrigued to learn all about the human eye and how it works - the children completed some super scientific diagrams of the eye.

In History, we investigated some Anglo-Saxon treasure found at Sutton Hoo. In Geography, we found out all about Antarctic explorers. Our RE unit has got us thinking about how kind and loving God is this week and we have been linking this to our value this term, which is compassion. The children enjoyed hearing some Bible stories too, including the Good Samaritan and the Feeding of the 5000.

On Thursday, it was World Book Day and we were excited to share our favourite books with the class and design our own front cover for our favourite book. Well done everyone!

Year 6 - Morpurgo

What a busy week it has been in Year 6. The children have been working so hard in all areas.

In reading we have been concentrating on answering questions on a text using our retrieval skills, inference and explaining the meanings of words. We have identified strategies of how to answer these questions. In maths my group have been concentrating on multiplication and division. I have been so impressed with how hard the children have worked on revising these skills. We have discussed how important it is for us to know our tables - keep learning them! In RE we have talked about covenants and the covenants that God made with his people. The children planted sunflowers for Downs Syndrome Day, we will be watering them in class and watching them grow. Later in March they will be brought home to plant outside so the children can continue to watch them grow.

Dates for the Diary

March

Tuesday 7th March - Drama Workshop
Wednesday 8th—Y3 Open Morning 9am—10.15am
Friday 17th - Red Nose Day (Wear something Red, with uniform)
Wednesday 22nd - Parents Evening 3:40pm - 5.40pm
Thursday 23rd- Parents Evening 5pm - 7pm
Friday 24th Easter Egg Tombola after school
Wednesday 29th—Easter Service 2pm Holy Cross Church, Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 30th—Year 5 Magic Flute Performance—Rugby School—details to follow
Friday 31st—Daventry Mayors Mufti Day (wear something yellow for £1)

April

Monday 24th—Year 3/4 Enterprise Week
Friday 21st—Year 5 Peterborough Cathedral Trip - details to follow

May

Monday 8th - Thursday 11th - Year 6 SATs

June

Monday 5th—Life Education Bus
Thursday 22nd Year 6 Leavers photos and whole school class group photos
Monday 26th—Year 6 Enterprise Week

July

Tuesday 4th Sports Day at The Abbey with children/staff from St James
Thursday 6th - Summer Cup
Friday 7th—Year 6 Leavers Service

* Dates may be subject to change and will be updated as events are booked

Term Dates for Academic Year 2022-2023

Term 1

SCHOOL CLOSED – TRAINING DAY	**Thursday 1st & Friday 2nd SEPTEMBER**
TERM STARTS	MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER
SCHOOL CLOSED	**MONDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER**
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER

Term 2

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 31st OCTOBER
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER

Term 3

SCHOOL CLOSED – TRAINING DAY	**TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY**
TERM STARTS	WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

Term 4

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 31ST MARCH

Term 5

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 17TH APRIL
SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY	**MONDAY 1ST MAY**
SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY	**MONDAY 8th MAY**
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 26TH MAY

Term 6

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 5TH JUNE
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 21ST JULY

Term Dates for Academic Year 2023-2024

Term 1

TRAINING DAY	**Friday 1st SEPTEMBER**
TRAINING DAY	**Monday 4TH SEPTEMBER**
TERM STARTS	Tuesday 5th SEPTEMBER
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER

Term 2

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER
TERM ENDS	WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER

Term 3

TERM STARTS	WEDNESDAY 3RD JANUARY 2024
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2024

Term 4

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2024
TERM ENDS	THURSDAY 28TH MARCH 2024

Term 5

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 15TH APRIL
SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY	MONDAY 6TH MAY
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 24TH MAY

Term 6

TERM STARTS	MONDAY 3RD JUNE
TERM ENDS	FRIDAY 19TH JULY