Abbey CE Academy Weekly Newsletter

"Together, anything is possible"

"Everything is possible for one who believes"

Mark 9:23

Date—20th October 2023

Principals Message

Principal's Message

Wow, the end of term is here already! The time has really flown by. Remember that we have 2 weeks off for this half term and next term starts on Monday 6th November.

This week we had parents' evenings, thank you to everyone who attended and to all of the staff who make these events happen. There was a lot of positive feedback and the children are all working really hard and making good progress which makes me very proud.

A few events have happened this week, Year 6 children held a fundraising event on Tuesday after school. This was really successful and the children did an excellent job of running and organising this event themselves.

We have had sports teams in action with the netball team competing on Wednesday after school. They played well and represented the school beautifully, well done. All of our sports teams have conducted themselves brilliantly this term so well done to all involved.

Year 6 visited Yardley Chase on Thursday and had a fantastic day out.

Communication is always a focus for the school and I just wanted to take this opportunity to remind you all that I am always available for you to talk to me about any situation, positive or negative. No school is perfect and there will be times when something isn't right but I am always available to make things right again. I will never ignore a problem or not act if something happens, however, I cannot act if I don't know anything about it. This school has really turned around in the last year and our reputation is much improved. Everybody in the school has worked really hard to make this happen. The behaviour of our children is often commented on as being really good. That does not mean that there will not be times where behaviour is not good but it does mean that any incidents are rectified effectively.

If anything is not right, please email me dgodfrey1@abbeyceacademy.co.uk or call me at the school or just drop in and see me. If I am available, I will always talk to you. Please DO NOT send me messages on Dojo as I don't see these very often. I am also usually outside at the start and end of the day so please just approach me if you need to. If I am not available, then please speak to a member of our fantastic team.

Our vision as a school is 'Together, anything is possible'. We need to all work together to ensure that this school is the best it can be and that all of your children continue to get the high standard of education that they deserve. Communication must go both ways.

Please remember that I will also be checking my emails regularly over the holiday so please contact me if you need to. Dgodfrey1@abbeyceacademy.co.uk Or email Mr Daly on Adaly@abbeyceacademy.co.uk

Have a fabulous break and thank you for all of your support.

School Attendance

Attendance

The attendance for the school this week was 94.23%

The class that achieved the highest attendance Potter with 97.41%

Attendance

We would like to remind you that the school day **starts at 8.50am f**or all children. We open the school gates at 8.30am for the children to walk calmly into class and begin an activity to ensure a relaxed start to the day. Class teachers will be at the entrance doors if you need to speak to them. **The register is taken at 8:45am** and lessons start promptly after. Any pupils arriving after 8.50am will need to enter via the Vicar Lane entrance.

School Messages

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school with them each day. This should be filled with water only, no juice please. This can then be topped up from the water fountains during the day.

School Photographer

Don't forget the school photographer will be visiting school on Tuesday 14th November.

Poppy Appeal

On Monday 7th November, we will be selling Poppies and other items at break time.

Recommended donations are;

Zip pull	50p
Snapband	£1.50
Reflector	50p
Wristband	£1

Many thanks.

Coats/Warm Clothing

As the weather is getting colder and wetter, please remember that we are an all weather school and will go outside unless the conditions are really severe. Please ensure children have waterproof and warm coats, hats, scarves, gloves etc. to suit the weather.

Curriculum News

Potter

We have had an amazing first term in Year 3.

The class have settled really well into life at the Abbey and are getting used to routines. This week we have been finishing off our units - In writing we completed amazing Hot Writes and perfected the warning tale structure. We enjoyed the Rosa Parks unit in reading and dug deep into why she acted the way she did. In maths we completed our place value unit ending with a successful End of Unit Assessment.

We finalised our Creation unit for RE and created our own panels for creation and fall, we also summarised our learning for this term and discussed how it matches our value of Aspiration.

Wishing you all a lovely, restful break - Mrs Clarke.

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Information was not available at time of publication

Carle

Another amazing week in Carle class. I cannot believe how quick this term has gone by. We have been so busy and the children have really impressed me.

We have finished our Talk for Writing unit on Adventure at Sandy Cove this week. We have created our own journey stories using the structure of our model text. I am so pleased with the imagination and description the children have used.

Talk for Reading has been finishing off our work on King of the Cloud Forests. We have written a diary entry and summarised the text.

We have started a new unit in maths, multiplication and division. The children have really shown how good they are at their times tables in this unit. I can tell they must practice on Times Table Rockstars.

We have finished our unit on Trinty in RE this week by creating our own image of what the Trinity looks like. The children have created some wonderful pieces of art.

I hope you have a relaxing two weeks off Carle Class and come back ready to learn more exciting things. Well done!

Curriculum News

Shakespeare

Shakespeare class have had a learning-packed week. In Science, we investigated the size of an atom and created models of atoms - some of us even created a carbon atom using the correct number of protons, neutrons and electrons! In Geography, we looked at the Amazon Rainforest and collected all our knowledge and were surprised how much we knew and how many interesting facts we could recall. In History, we talked about how migration has changed Britain, from the Romans to migration in the last 100 years - we especially liked thinking about where all the foods we eat come from! In art, we have been working hard to plan and complete our final pieces! In music lots of us even presented our final musical masterpieces to the class.

Mackesy

Mackesy class have had a wonderful week!

In Science, we used our scientific skills during out TAPS investigation about the absorbency of nappies! In Art, we evaluated our very creative De Stijl final pieces explaining what was a success and what we could improve upon. In History, we mind mapped our all learning this term. In RE, we took part in a silent debate - it was a lovely quiet lesson during which we wrote our opinions of some quotes about the resurrection.

Year 5

This week we have been working on our editing skills, looking at how to proof-read and what to edit - to get all ready for our hot writes! We have also looked at adding interesting adjectives and adverbs to our work. In maths, we have looked at division, multiplication and factors. In our reading we have been exploring our text Jorinda and Joringel, one of the Grimm brothers' fairy tales - we have had lots of ideas to share and have been reading aloud with expression and intonation.

Lewis

This week we have been completing all our units of work. The children have, in geography, investigated deforestation and how it can be prevented. In history we reported on the legacy that has been left in Britain from invaders. We have concluded our work on What the resurrection means to Christians. There have been some wonderful creations in art based on De Stihl. It has been a great first term, Lewis you have been great!

Year 6

Well it is hard to believe that we have come to the end of the first half term. We have had a busy week concluding our work on The Mountain Troll in writing and Mortal Engines in reading. It has been lovely reading the reports that have been created on creatures that can be found in the rainforest. Multiplication and division has been the focus in maths. We have revised knowledge on square, cubes and prime numbers. It is vital that children have a good knowledge of their tables, we have sent their login details home for TTRS and would encourage all children to use this at home to ensure they learn all their tables. we enjoyed a wonderful day at Yardley Chase yesterday learning how to be responsible citizens.

Year 3 2024 Open Days

If you have a child due to start Year 3 in September 2024 please come along to one of our upcoming open days to see our fabulous school .We will be running these at the following times. If you are unable to make the above dates, please contact the school office and we can arrange a suitable time for you

Fun Day.

On October 6th We have having a bring a book myst varying the themes of books we bring in. Following their will be a fete to be held at 15:30 - 17:00 on Tuesday 17th October on the schoolfield. During this event their will be 4 stalls held. a hair braiding stall, refreshments, a book stall and a jewlery stand. All the money will go towards a new playground equipment which will be desided on the day. There will also be cupcakes and cookies

Kind Regards. Abbey Students.

Price list

Chockers £2.50
Bracelet £1.00
Rings 50p

Childrens books £1.00
Chapter books £2.00
By a book get the same theme half price.

Coloured extentions (any length) £3.50
Braids (long hair). £2.00
Braids (short hair) £1.50.

Refreshments / Snacks.

Cupcakes £1.00
Cookies £ 50p
Squash £ 50p.

From Yr 5 and Yr 6.
2023.

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

October

Sunday 31st—Closing date for secondary school application

November

Tuesday 9th—Y3 New Intake Tour 2023-2024 9:3am-11:30am
Monday 13th - Y3 New Intake Tour 2023-2024 1:30pm - 3pm
Tuesday 14th - Individual School Photos
Friday 17th - Child In Need (More details to follow)

December

Tuesday 5th—Y6 Height and Weight
Wednesday 6th - Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 7th - Flu Vaccinations & Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 13th - Christmas Service, 2pm Holycross Church
Thursday 14th—Y3/4 Cinema Trip—All details on MCAS
Friday 15th—Y5/6 Cinema Trip - All details on MCAS

January

February

March

Monday 4th - 7th - Year 5 Bikeability

April

May

Monday 13th - 16th - Y6 SATS

June

July

Tuesday 9th—DRET Summer Cup

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

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