

Abbey Primary School Newsletter

Friday 16th June 2023

Summer Term 2023- Issue 18

News and updates

Welcome back to our final half term of the year. I want to start by saying a big well done to all the children in Y1, and some in Y2, who have completed their phonics screening check this week. They have not only done well this week, but leading up to it, and have worked hard attending daily sessions, extra catch-up clubs and some tutoring sessions. I would also like to thank Mrs Crookes, Miss Powell, Mrs Ross, Mrs Norton and all of the staff who teach phonics.

Also this week, Y4 have completed the multiplication table check, and have worked so hard in preparing for this. They have given up time at lunch, for tutoring and booster sessions, and have worked extra hard in Maths lessons the last few months. I would also like to thank Mrs Crawford, Mrs Baker, Mrs Perkins, Mrs Hawkins and all staff who have supported Y4 this year.

Transition

I am really pleased to let parents know that we have improved our transition sessions this half term. On Monday 10th July to Thursday 13th July, all children in Nursery to Y5 will move to spend the morning with their new class teachers in their new classrooms. This is a significant increase on previous years and teachers will have been able to review assessments completed next week, to plan for transition week and the new academic year. Children will come into school as normal for register and then move at 9am.

On Friday 14th July, reports for the year will come to parents, along with any statutory test results. The following Monday will be an opportunity for parents to review learning in books, and also to meet the new teacher. We invite you to stay after collection on Monday 17th July, from 3pm-4pm.

Music Examinations

Y1-Y6 children have now completed their music exams, organised by Mr Drury and Rock-it music. Mr Baugh, head of Rock-it, was the examiner, and commented on the excellent behaviour and approach by all children towards the exams. Once again they have shown visitors to the school how well they can learn and conduct themselves. Results will be shared as soon as possible.

Staffing update

Just in case you missed the letter that went out last week, we want to let you know that Mrs Read, our deputy Headteacher, will be leaving at the end of term. I would like to thank her for her years of service and I know many of you, already, have extended your well wishes to her.

PTA Summer Fayre

On Wednesday 28th June, 3-4pm, the PTA will be holding the annual summer fayre. It is always a popular event and we would invite you to stay after school. Before and after this event we will have the summer raffle tickets on sale. Raffle tickets are on sale now; 50p a strip or 3 strips for £1.



Summer Reading Challenge

This summer Walsall Libraries are once again setting a challenge for all primary age children to take part in.

It is the "Ready, Set, Read" challenge. Next term we will have an assembly led by one of the librarians from Walsall libraries, so please look out for further information following this assembly. The challenge starts on Saturday 8th July 2023

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 21st June—9am, New to Nursery parents meeting

Monday 26th June—Dance workshops all day as part of Sports Week, inc. sports days

Tuesday 27th June—Y3 and Y4 computing session—Robotics in school. Tri-golf for Reception, Y3 and Y4, as part of sports week.

Wednesday 28th June—KS2 Sports Day 9.15am, Tri-golf for KS1 and Y5, as part of sports week.

1pm - Nurse in for RSE sessions for Y5 and Y6. Y6 pupils going to Willenhall —out all day

3pm-4pm, PTA Summer Fayre

Thursday 29th June—Nursery Sports day 9.15am, Y6 Theatre visit to see Demon Dentist. Y6 pupils going to Willenhall & Great Wyrley—out all day

Friday 30th June—KS1 and Reception Sports Day 9.15am

Monday 3rd July—Climbing Wall in school as part of sports week. Rounders festival 10am-2pm at Shelfield for selected Y6 pupils. Y6 pupils going to Pool Hayes—out all day

Tuesday 4th July—Y6 pupils going to Pool Hayes & Walsall Academy—out all day

Wednesday 5th July—Y6 pupils going to Bloxwich Academy, Walsall Academy, Shire Oak, Gospel Oak, Brownhills and Shelfield —out all day. 9-10am new Reception children for play & stay with parents.

Monday 10th July-Thursday 13th July—Transition mornings.

Wednesday 12th July—10am new Reception children for play & stay without parents.

Thursday 13th July—Y6 PROM in school for 5.45pm, photos and then chauffeur driven limo to venue, collection at 8.45pm

Friday 14th July—EYFS Graduation (times to follow) and annual reports to parents

Monday 17th July—3pm-4pm Parents book look for YR-Y6 parents & meet the teacher for YR-Y5 parents

Tuesday 18th July—Y5, last swimming session

Wednesday 19th July—1.30pm Y6 Leaver's assembly

Friday 21st July—WOW of the year assembly

1.30pm—Break up for summer holidays (no clubs on this day)

Monday 24th July & Tuesday 25th July—**TRAINING DAY**, no children in school on these days.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 26th July 2023—Friday 1st September 2023

Monday 4th September & Tuesday 5th September—**TRAINING DAY**, no children in school on these days

Wednesday 6th September—New start and end times. Gates open for all classes at 8.40am and school finishes at 3.10pm, gates on to the playground at 3.05pm. After school clubs will run until 4.10pm.

Children in Reception to Y6 start back for Autumn Term 2023. Reception will finish at 1.00pm on the first three days.