

Abbey Primary School Newsletter

Friday 9th February 2024

Spring Term 2024—Issue 11

News and updates

As we reach half term already, we thank you for your support, if you were able to attend parents evening for Y1-Y6 classes. I hope that you have found the time useful and were able to see the progress made in exercise books and in discussion with the teachers.

British Values

After half-term we will continue our focus on British Values in assemblies and PSHE lessons. We will change from Respect, which was this half-term to Tolerance until Easter.



'A Cleaner Tomorrow'

This week we have come to the end of the children's work with Walsall Council on, 'A Cleaner Tomorrow'. Some children have been able to litter pick and understand the importance of caring for our area, with the assembly on Monday and the work done each day this week. These photos show Reception in 'litter picking' action and the assembly attended by all children. Other children who missed out, due to the rain, will have their activity scheduled for after half-term.



World Book Day—Thursday 7th March 2024

Just a reminder that for World Book Day children can come dressed in their **pyjamas/onesies** ready for a bedtime story, or come as **a character from a children's book**. Please do not go to any additional expense for the one day. Children can bring some slippers to wear inside school, if they want to change from their school shoes.

We have an author visit, a lady called Cheryl Boot. The classes will get time during the day to work with the author and see how stories are written. We want to inspire our children to be the next Roald Dahl or Jacqueline Wilson, and this may be the inspiration that they need.

Children will also get a voucher or book as part of World Book Day.



Red Nose Day—Friday 15th March

On the day above, we are celebrating Red Nose Day, children can come dressed in something spotty/non-uniform or red nose related for a voluntary contribution.

PTA Easter Raffle

After half-term, the PTA will be selling raffle tickets for the Easter raffle. They will be 50p for 1 strip or 3 strips for £1. We have a range of prizes available that are all Easter related.

Also on Friday's after school the tuck shop is open for children and families to come and buy sweets and other treats. Please come in via the main entrance.

Dates for the diary

Friday 9th February—Break up for half term

HALF TERM—Monday 12th February—Friday 16th February 2024

Monday 19th February—children return to school. Start of Mental Health Week.

Monday 26th February-Wednesday 28th February—Y5 & Y6 residential visit to Bryntysilio, Llangollen.

Tuesday 27th February—Y5 and Y6 children in school who are not on the residential will go swimming as one group, as a one off.

Thursday 7th March—WORLD BOOK DAY and author visit from Cheryl Boot.

Friday 8th March—9am EYFS Mother's Day assembly for all mum's in YN and YR.

Monday 11th March—Professor Bubbleworks in school all day to start Science Week

Monday 18th March—Assessment week in school

Thursday 21st March & Friday 22nd March—Bikeability for 12 children in Y5/6

Thursday 21st March Y3—all PM—A-stars Pedestrian training & 2.30pm—Y1 Easter assembly for Y1 parents

Friday 21st March—WOW of the term assembly and break up for Easter, at normal time.

EASTER HOLIDAY—Monday 25th March—Friday 5th April 2024

Monday 8th April -Back to school to start Summer Term 1, 10am YR visiting St Thomas's church

Tuesday 9th April—Y4 start swimming

Friday 12th April—RE day—focus on Eid-al-Fitr

Monday 15th April—Y6 SAT's parents meeting, please come along to learn about the arrangements and preparations for SAT's week.

Wednesday 1st May—Y5 visiting Harry Potter World all day

Thursday 2nd May—School closed to all pupils—Election Day

Wraparound After School Club

After half-term, we have made the decision to increase staffing levels as we have some days now where we are at or over capacity.

Miss Mundy will continue to lead activities and support the children and will be joined by Mrs Taylor most days. The times will not change however if you do want to book please speak to the school office and give as much notice as possible for your requirements.

Attendance update

Check out the latest attendance newsletter on the website. Last half term we saw a 2% increase in attendance, which doesn't sound a lot, but for the whole school this is fantastic achievement. Thank you for your support.

The winners for last week were

Year 3 with over 97%





Holy Ascension
Sanstone Road
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Saturday 10th February at 3pm

Messy Church at Holy Ascension Church, Sanstone Road, Lower Farm, Bloxwich, WS3 3SJ

Saturday 10th February 2024

3pm - 4.30pm

Theme: Lent

Crafts, Activities, Celebration and Snacks