

Abbey Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2025

Autumn Term 2025- Issue 4

News and updates

Staffing update

I wanted to start our latest newsletter by letting you know that Miss Sanders (school business manager) has left Abbey Primary School, following our return in September. We would like to wish her well and thank her for her efforts over many years of working in the office. Any office queries can be dealt with by Mrs Bowater.

Remembrance events

On Tuesday 11th November, at 2.45pm, our Y5 class will be performing a special Remembrance Day assembly to Y5 parents, and KS2 children. Y5 parents will have had a reminder about this, sent from Class Dojo to attend if they wish.

On this day, if any children attend Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, or Scouts and Cubs then they can come to school dressed in their uniform, if they wish. Before this day, we are starting to sell poppy's and Royal British Legion items. The cost will be 10p for poppies and 20p to 50p for goodies. Y6 will come round each day so children can buy items.

Phonic parents meetings

Thank you to all YR and Y1 parents who were able to attend on Wednesday 15th October or Thursday 16th October. If you were not able to attend and would like a copy of the information shared, please see Mrs. Sanders (YR teacher) or Mrs. Crookes (Y1 teacher).

PTA Halloween Raffle

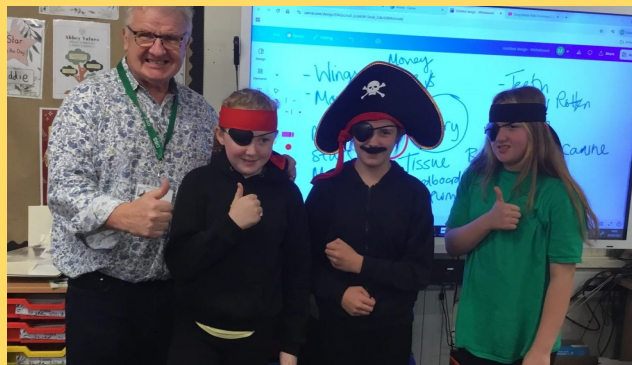
Children can continue to bring in 50p or £1 for our Halloween Raffle, which will be drawn on the last day of half term. 50p for one strip or 3 strips for £1.

Pep The Poet visit

Two weeks ago we celebrated 'National Poetry Week' with a visit from Pep the Poet. Pep

worked with every class in the school sharing his poems and enthusing the children. Y5 & Y6 also enjoyed a Poetry workshop with Pep and wrote their own poems. Classes continued to enjoy poetry week by writing and exploring poems in their own classes.





Harvest Donations

Thank you for your donations last week and your support for local food banks, before half term we will arrange the food to be donated. Thank you for your support!

Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the *Spy Dogs*, *Spy Cats*, and *Spy Pups* series. Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. And led to inappropriate adult content. The government have not put a restriction on this site, so it can no longer be accessed and all *Spy Dog*, *Spy Cat* or *Spy Pups* books in school have been checked with the page removed if it contained the website. It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves.

We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.

Friday Breakfast sports club

From Friday 7th November we will be starting a 20 week club which will be sports themed, covering a variety of sports changing every 5 weeks. This will be free of charge and run from 7.50am until 8.30am, with breakfast for ten minutes until 8.40am.

This club will be available to book on Parent Pay with the next block of clubs. If you require any further information please see myself or contact the school office.

Dates for the diary

Wednesday 22nd October—
Parents Evening and structured
conversations for SEND pupils.

Also on this day we have Heights
& Weights for Reception and Year
6 children.

Thursday 23rd October—9am par-
ents meeting for Y5/6 parents of
children going to Bryntysilio in
February 2026.

Our paid breakfast club starts at 7.50pm
and is £1.20 each day, we do have a few
places available and places do not have to
be booked for the whole week. Please see
the office to enquire about a place.



If any parents do not require a place, even on certain days,
can you let the office know asap so places can be reallocat-
ed.

Please can I remind parents that children should not bring
their own food into breakfast club, children will be asked
to save any food that is brought in, for snack at breaktime
later in the day.

Y3/4 football tournament after school at Shelfield.

All pm—John Baugh from Rock-it music in for World Music session

Friday 24th October—PTA non-uniform day, bring chocolates or a bottle for the Christmas
Fayre. Halloween Raffle prize draw.

Break up for half term at normal time.

HALF TERM—Monday 27th October—Friday 31st October 2025

Monday 3rd November—children return to school

Tuesday 4th November—9am-10am parent reflexions drop in sessions

Wednesday 5th November—Photos for pupils (+siblings) - Individual and sibling photographs
for all children from Nursery to Year 6, children should wear normal school uniform, even if
they usually have PE on a Wednesday.

Thursday 6th November—2pm, parent reflexions drop in sessions

WB 10th November—EYFS Nursery rhyme week and Block 2 after school clubs start

Tuesday 11th November—Remembrance Day inc Y5 assembly for Y5 parents at 2.45pm

Wednesday 12th November—Y1 visiting Black Country Museum

Monday 17th November—Anti-Bullying Workshops for YR-Y6 children, all day in school

Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd December, 9.30am—EYFS Nativity for parents

Wednesday 10th December—PTA Christmas Fayre, after school

Thursday 11th December—2pm, parent reflexions drop in sessions

Tuesday 16th December—final swim session for Y6

Wednesday 17th December—Carols Around the Christmas Tree

Thursday 18th December—9am WOW of the term, 1.30pm finish for Christmas holidays.

Friday 19th December—Teacher Training Day, closed to all pupils.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS—Monday 22nd December 2025—Friday 2nd January 2026

Monday 5th January 2026—TRAINING DAY—no children in school

Tuesday 6th January—Children return to school for Spring Term 1. Y5 start swimming les-
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Tuesday 13th January—10am school nurse in school—EYFS for hand and dental hygiene