

# Abbey Primary School Newsletter

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## News and updates

### Y5 and Y6 Music concert for parents

I am pleased to say that at 2.30pm on Tuesday 3rd March, Mr Drury is leading a music concert for Y5 and Y6 parents. This will be a chance for the children to share the work completed so far this year, and for Y6 to practice in preparation for their music exam later this year.

### Police Visit—Wednesday 21st January

Last week we had an amazing morning, when many colleagues from West Midlands Police visited us. The children in YN to Y2 and then KS2 had a special assembly where they learnt about the different roles in the police and then the children were treated to a demonstration from two police dogs, who sought out some evidence that one of our teacher tried to hide. The children then saw the police drone in action, and saw the latest police car. KS2 children also had a demonstration of another one of the police dogs in action, capturing a fleeing criminal.

This was all thanks to Ruby in Y5 who won a poster competition last year, to promote the police dog open day. A big thank you to Ruby and also to the police officers that attended the school and gave their valuable time.



### Late collection

We recognise that on occasion parents will be late collecting their children, however we wanted to remind you that if this happens on a regular occasion, we will be charging in line with our wrap-around club costs. It is also important to note that we do have arrangements in place to staff the wraparound club in accordance with pre-booked places, so any last minute requests for places cannot always be accommodated. We will, as always, try our best to help where we can, but we also have to ensure the statutory ratios are adhered to.

### Walsall Swimming Gala

This week a small group of Y5 and Y6 children attended Gala Baths to compete against a number of other Walsall Primary Schools. I am pleased to say that all the children represented Abbey Primary School superbly well and a big congratulations to all the swimmers on their efforts for the morning's event.



The results from the gala are shown below.

| School            | Points |
|-------------------|--------|
| Pheasey           | 226    |
| Cooper and Jordan | 205    |
| Blackwood         | 201    |
| St John's 2       | 194    |
| Mayfield          | 179    |
| King Charles      | 163    |
| Watling           | 155    |
| St Anne's         | 150    |
| Walsall Wood      | 135    |
| St John's 1       | 130    |
| Pelsall Village   | 120    |
| St Joseph's       | 114    |
| Abbey             | 102    |
| Lodge Farm        | 102    |
| Holy Trinity      | 93     |
| Christ Church     | 84     |
| Hydesville        | 67     |

### **Dates for the diary**

Wednesday 4th February—Internet Safety Week assembly

Monday 9th February—Y5 out all day at Safeside Visit

Wednesday 11th February—Parents evening after school.

Thursday 12th February, 2pm—Reflexions Mental Health workshop for parents.

Friday 13th February—RE day (Holi) - activities in year groups, no cost or special arrangements needed. Break up for half term at normal time.

### **Monday 16th February—Friday 20th February**

#### **Half term holidays**

Monday 23rd February—Spring Term 2 starts.

Monday 23rd February—Wednesday 25th February—Y5/6 at Bryntysilio

Wednesday 25th February—1.30-2.30pm—Reception Play and Stay for parents and children

Tuesday 3rd March—2.30pm Y5 and Y6 Music concert for parents.

Wednesday 4th March—2.30pm Y3 class assembly—Chinese New Year

Wednesday 4th March—all pm—Hidden Harm session for Y5 and Y6 pupils, in school, no cost.

Thursday 5th March—World Book Day, more details to follow

Friday 6th March—RE Day—Nirvana

Monday 9th March—Science Week, with professor in school

Wednesday 11th March—10.30-11.30am EYFS Mother's Day Tea and Cake

Thursday 12th March, 2pm—Reflexions Mental Health workshop for parents.

Wednesday 18th March—Y3 visit to Dudley Zoo

Tuesday 24th March—Last Y5 swimming

Wednesday 25th March—2.30pm, Y1 parents Phonic Screening Check information meeting

Thursday 26th March—2.30pm, Y1 class Easter Assembly for parents

Friday 27th March—Break up for Easter holidays

### **Monday 30th March—Friday 10th April**

#### **Easter holidays**

Monday 30th March—Thursday 2nd April—Sports Plus running HAF Programme.

Monday 13th April—Start of Summer Term 1

Tuesday 14th April—Y4 swimming starts

Monday 20th April—KS1 (Y1/Y2) at Tanglewood day at Cannock Chase

Wednesday 29th April—Class Photographs all day

Monday 4th May—Closed for Bank Holiday Monday

Thursday 7th May—Closed for Local Elections

Monday 11th May—Thursday 14th May—Y6 SAT's week.