

Abingdon Primary School



Friday 7th November 2025

Ms Spendlow's Welcome

Happy Friday Everyone!

Welcome back everyone, we hope that you all had a restful break and are ready for one of our busiest terms of the year!

This week has seen a selection of our KS2 girls attending a football festival with the MU Foundation at The Cliff training ground, they took part in mini tournaments, did mini refereeing activities, goalkeeping skills and reaction skills. (please see photos below) They all worked hard and had a fun time throughout.

Next week is anti-bullying week, and we will be kicking off the week with 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday, so please let your children come to school in odd socks. There will be an assembly and the children will be doing activities throughout the week around anti-bullying. Year 2, 5 and 6 are also taking part in NSPCC workshops in school. The theme this year is 'Power For Good', empowering children to use their positive influence to stand up for kindness and make a difference in our school community.

Thank you to everyone who donated a bottle for the Christmas Fayre, we appreciate all the donations we receive and it does make our fayres a roaring success.

On Tuesday we will remember those who gave their lives in our Remembrance assembly and minute silence. The children have been making poppy wreaths to present in assembly.

It just leaves me to wish you all a wonderful weekend! If you are going to any firework displays please stay safe and remember The Firework Code!



This Week's Roundup

Forest Schools- The first session of Forest Schools after the break will be on **Thursday 13th November and is for Reception Badgers.**

Street Reds

As you are all aware, we are part of the MU Foundation and would like to share a lovely opportunity for all our children in Years 4 and up. On a Friday night at Werneth High School, The Foundation hold 'Street Reds' sessions. They run a girl only session from 5-6pm and a mixed session from 6-7pm. All sessions are free and if you register your child they would be invited to holiday clubs either held at Werneth High School or at The Cliff training ground. To register your child, please pick up a card from the school office.



Girls' Football Festival

Football Team News

Well done to our football team who beat St Paul's 1-0 here at Abingdon on Thursday night. Amazing result!

Nuts and Food containing Nuts

Please can I remind you that we have children in school with severe allergies - these allergies can be life threatening. Because of this we are a **NUT FREE** school (as are most schools these days!) This includes foods containing nuts such as peanut cereal bars and of course Nutella. Please do not send any food containing nuts into school.



Attendance Awards

Each term we put all the names of the children who have over 96% attendance into a draw. The name drawn wins a prize for their whole family – this is our way of saying thank you for getting the children into school!

For the Autumn term, the prize is £50 supermarket voucher – just in time for Christmas!

Study Bugs



If you haven't already, **please download the free Studybugs app**, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.

(<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>)



Reminders:



Please be courteous to our neighbours when parking and adhere to the double yellow lines. The Nursery/ Surestart car park can unfortunately not be used by Abingdon parents. Try parking a few roads away and walking to school.

Please bring healthy, appropriately sized snacks to school for morning break and choose packed lunch items carefully to ensure they provide a balanced diet.



Please can we remind parents that children in Years R – 4 must be collected by someone **over the age of 16**.

Dates for the Diary

November	
Mon 10th	Odd Socks Day – Anti-bullying Week
Fri 14th	Children in Need Own clothes day
Fri 21 st	Own clothes – Bring a filled paper bag for the fayre
Fri 28th	Own Clothes – Bring chocolate for the fayre
December	
Thurs 4th	DEAR (drop everything and read!)
Fri 5 th	Christmas Fayre 3.30 – 5pm
Thurs 11 th	Reception Nativity 9.15am
Fri 12 th	KS1 nativity 9.15am
Tues 16th	LKS2 Christmas Singalong 9.15am
Wed 17th	UKS2 Christmas singalong 9.15am
Fri 19th	Finish for Christmas Wear something Christmassy!

Any new dates or changes are highlighted

Please see below for our term dates. We cannot authorised term time holidays, so please check the dates.

Abingdon Term Dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term

Monday 1st September – INSET Day

Tuesday 2nd September – INSET Day

Wednesday 3rd September – Whole school return.

Friday 24th October – Finish for Half Term

Monday 3rd November – INSET Day

Tuesday 4th November – Whole school return

Friday 19th December – Finish for Christmas

Spring Term

Monday 5th January – Whole school return

Friday 13th February – Finish for Half Term

Monday 23rd February – INSET Day

Tuesday 24th February – Whole school return

Friday 27th March – Finish for Easter

Summer Term

Monday 13th April – Whole school return

Monday 4th May – May Bank Holiday

Friday 22nd May – Finish for Half Term

Monday 8th June – Whole school return

Friday 24th July – Finish for summer

Monday 27th July – INSET Day

Celebrations

Hot Chocolate!

Each week the teachers choose children who have gone over and above in their behaviour. It is a pleasure to have a hot chocolate with them each week and find out what they have done.

Hot chocolate will resume next week when we have had a full week in school.

Lunchtime child/class of week:

Reception: Hamza



KS1: Foxes

LKS2: Falcons

UKS2: Ospreys

The classes named all get an extra playtime as a reward for lining up nicely and following the core values at lunchtime.

Golden Broom:

Y6 Ospreys



Attendance: Our Whole School attendance this week is: 94.1%

The following classes all got over 96% this week: Y2 Foxes, Y4 Owls, Y5 Merlins – they will all get an extra playtime the first week back.

The class with the highest attendance was Y5 Merlins with 98.75%!

Merlins spun the wheel to win 'Sweet Treat Friday'.



Certificate winners:

Badgers: Elsie L

Y1/2 Squirrels: Evelyn

Y2 Foxes: Aysha

Y3 Falcons: Archie

Y3/4 Kites: Tommy

Y4 Owls: Athena

Y5 Merlins: Lexi

Y5 Kestrels: Cooper

Y6 Ospreys: Hallie

*Respect,
Responsibility,
Resilience*

School Lottery:

For those families new to school, we have a school lottery that is run by the website below. Every ticket sold provides much needed funding for our school.

If you would like to take part please do sign up using the link below. Thank you.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>



Win an iPhone 17 Pro!

You will receive one entry into this draw for each weekly ticket that you have. Buy more tickets for more entries

