# Abingdon Primary



## School

Friday 28th November 2025

#### Ms Spendlow's Welcome

Happy Friday Everyone!

This week's assembly looked at the origins of St Andrew's Day and some of the traditions of the day. After the hustle and bustle of last week, this week has been slightly quieter on the visits front; although we did have a small group of our school council go out with Ms Flanders on Monday afternoon to learn about sustainability and they were very excited to meet United Women's Goal keeper Phallon Tullis-Joyce (see photos below!) Watch this space for future updates and initiatives from our School and Eco Council. The MUFoundation has teamed up with The Skills Lab and has set a Christmas challenge for all the children in their Primary Reds schools to design and make an eco-friendly Christmas card. You can either design and create a Christmas card using recycled materials or design a digital card. The winning design will win a Skills Lab session for their class either at Old Trafford with a stadium tour and access to the museum, or a Skills Lab session here at Abingdon. Entries need to be in to school by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December, in order for us to send them on to the foundation.

As a school we have decided to no longer use X (twitter) as a platform for sharing our news. We are however excited to announce that in its place we now have an Instagram account! Get ready for lots of exciting pictures of the brilliant things we do at Abingdon. – Please do follow us! We have shared the profile on Class Dojo and there is a QR code at the office door too.

https://www.instagram.com/abingdonprimaryschool/

It just leaves me to wish you all a wonderful weekend!

#### This Week's Roundup

<u>Forest Schools-</u> The next session of Forest Schools will be on Thursday 4th December and is for Y3/4 Kites and Y4 Owls. Remember to send your children in with appropriate warm clothing!

#### **Question Time!!**

Our Y6 children are invited to attend a special Kids Question time event at Edgeley Park on Thursday, 4th December! This is a fantastic opportunity for young people to have their voices heard and ask questions directly to:

- Your local MP
- Stockport Councillors
- A representative from Stockport County FC
   We'll be discussing current issues in Stockport and the future of our football club, giving children a real chance to engage with community leaders in a fun and welcoming environment.

The event will take place at Edgeley Park, 5pm – 6pm, 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Eco Reds (and meeting Phallon!)











#### **Christmas Fayre!**

The Christmas fayre is fast approaching, A huge thank you for all the donations so far. The raffle tickets are now on sale via school spider or the office £1 per strip. Also, our Santa's Grotto tickets are now on sale too. Please see the attached flyer. All tickets must be booked in advance for the Grotto.



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 3.30 – 5.00pm Raffle drawn at 4.45pm in the hall. See you there!!!!

#### **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**

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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.



#### **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**

December	
Thurs 4th	DEAR (drop everything and read!)
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fayre 3.30 – 5pm
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Nativity 9.15am
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 nativity 9.15am
Tues 16th	UKS2 Christmas Singalong 9.15am
Wed 17th	LKS2 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 1<sup>st</sup> September – INSET Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – INSET Day

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Whole school return.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Finish for Half Term

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – INSET Day

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Whole school return
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Finish for Christmas

#### **Spring Term**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Whole school return

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Finish for Half Term

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – INSET Day

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Whole school return

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Finish for Easter

#### **Summer Term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Whole school return

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – May Bank Holiday

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Finish for Half Term

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Whole school return

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Finish for summer

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> 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.



## <u>Lunchtime child/class of</u> week:

Reception: Ayeza



**KS1: Squirrels** 

LKS2: Owls

**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:**

#### **Y5 Kestrels**



Attendance: Our Whole School attendance this week is: 94.11%

The following classes all got over 96% this week: Y3 Falcons, Y3/4 Kites & Y5 Kestrels - they will all get an extra playtime next week.

The class with the highest attendance was Y5 Kestrels with 99.1%!

Kestrels spun the wheel to win 'Games Afternoon '. Mr Crone will let you know which day it will

be.

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#### **Certificate winners:**

**Badgers: Hudson-Jaxx** 

Y1/2 Squirrels: Summer-May

Y2 Foxes: Lucas

Y3 Falcons: Anthony J

Y3/4 Kites: Azaan

Y4 Owls: Alice M

Y5 Merlins: Lily

**Y5 Kestrels: Holly** 

Y6 Ospreys: Dana

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/



This weekend, you could win this amazing
Nintendo Switch 2 gaming bundle, just in time for
Christmas

This Christmas, one lucky supporter WILL win a £10,000 cash bonanza - that's £5,000 for you, and a whopping £5,000 for our school, too! What a way to spread some festive cheer!

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