

# Abingdon Primary School



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## Ms Spendlow's Welcome

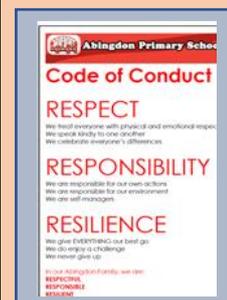
Happy Friday Everyone!

Well Spring has definitely sprung this week with a positive turn in the weather and our Francis House chicks now on sale in the school office!

This week has seen our school flooded with various characters out of the world of literature to celebrate World Book Day! It is always lovely to see the different costumes that children come in; and their amazing creations with their book-related potatoes! There have been a number of activities across the week including the potato competition, the costume day and the book hunt that the MU Foundation introduced across school in their assembly on Tuesday! In our Book day assembly on Thursday Andy (from MUFC) sent us a lovely video message of him reading a story and Ms Marsden introduced the Stockport Book Awards and all the exciting events surrounding them and also told us the winners of the Scrumdiddly bar prizes - I am looking forward to my story session with Falcons!

Don't forget that it is film night next Wednesday! You can book your child's place on School Spider, the bookings will close at 9.30am on Wednesday morning (11<sup>th</sup> March).

Ms Spendlow



## This Week's Roundup

**Forest Schools-** Forest School next week will be on **Thursday** 12th March with Reception Badgers.

Please ensure that you send your child in with appropriate warm clothing that you don't mind getting dirty.

### Easter Chick Sale.

Our annual sale of Easter chicks with chocolate eggs is back! They are currently on sale from the school office for £2. All proceeds go to Francis House Hospice.



## World Book Day!



## Potato Competition



The potato entries were just fantastic! Our Reading Ambassadors were blown away and found it so hard to choose winners! Well done to the 3 winners.

## Film Night

There is a poster attached to the email to tell you about our Spring film Night. It links to World Book Day this year as all the films chosen were originally books – and great ones too!! £4.50 for a ticket – pick up at 5pm at their usual home time doors.  
**Booking closes at 9.30am on Wed 11<sup>th</sup> March!**



## Parents Evening

Parent Consultations are on the last week of term before Easter. Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>. Bookings are all now open. If you are wanting a specific slot please book early to avoid disappointment.

## 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 Spring term, the prize is £50 Greene King voucher – so you can have a family meal out!



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

March	
Wed 11th	Film Night (info attached!)
Wed 18th – Fri 20th	Year 6 Residential to Robinwood
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day – Own clothes/red noses etc - £1
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> & Thurs 26th	Parent Consultation Evenings
Fri 27th	Finish for Easter No After school Club

**Any new dates or changes are highlighted**

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

**Please remember that there will be no after-school club on the last day of term.**

## 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.



## Lunchtime child/class of week:

Reception: Sarah



KS1: Squirrels

LKS2: Kites

UKS2:

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

## Golden Broom:

# Y1/2 Squirrels



**Attendance:** Our Whole School attendance this week is: 97.05%

The following classes all got over 96% this week: Rec Badgers, Y1/2 Squirrels, Y2 Foxes, Y3 Falcons, Y3/4 Kites, Y5 Merlins and Y5 Kestrels - they all get an extra playtime next week.

The class with the highest attendance this were Y3/4 Kites with a perfect 99.58%!

Kites spun the wheel winning 'Teddy Toy Day!' Mr Taylor will let you know which afternoon this will be.



## Certificate winners:

Badgers: Archie

Y1/2 Squirrels: Zain

Y2 Foxes: Ben

Y3 Falcons: Georgia

Y3/4 Kites: Scarlett

Y4 Owls: Freddie

Y5 Merlins: Eddie

Y5 Kestrels: Aliza

Y6 Ospreys: Archie T



## 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/>



It's time to put your feet up with a cuppa while the robots take care of your gardening and spring cleaning! somebody could win this amazing Home Robot Bundle in the March Super Draw - and make spring cleaning a breeze! You could be taking home a Roomba 405 Plus combo vacuum and mop for carpets and hard floors, and a Lawnmaster Ocumow to keep the garden under control - all while you focus on the important things! Of course there's always the £1,000 cash alternative too - or you can choose to go green, and plant 1,000 trees!

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