

Abingdon Primary School



Friday 11th September 2026

Dear All,

Our first full week is now completed and the children have worked so hard!

This year we are continuing our partnership with the MU Foundation. We said goodbye to Andy Williams at the end of last year, but we have now met our new coach this week. Our new coach is Natalya Halliwell. Miss Halliwell not only works for the MU Foundation, but also plays for Stockport County! She will be working with all the classes over the year and will be in on Tuesdays. She will also be running a girl's football club after school on a Tuesday evening.

Staying on the subject of the MU Foundation, as well as the professional development that staff get from the coaches, the school also gets amazing opportunities with the team. This week we saw one of children from Y3 walk out with the first team against Sabah on Thursday night. She met the team and walked out with Benjamin Sesko!

As we reported last academic year, we are now a Rights Respecting School and we will be looking each week at the rights of the child. For the next 2 weeks we will be looking at Article 32 – the protection from harmful work (don't worry, asking them to tidy their rooms doesn't come under this category!)



Children have the right to be protected from doing work that is dangerous or bad for their education, health or development. If children work, they have the right to be safe and paid fairly.



Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Forest Schools-



Forest school session next Friday (18th) is Y6 Ospreys and Y2 Foxes.

Please ensure they have wellies/old trainers and clothes that you don't mind getting dirty! The weather is very changeable now we are heading into Autumn.



Year 3 and 4 have kicked off their 'Stones N' Bones' topic by recreating some cave paintings.

Year 6 have been looking at 'Properties and Changes of Materials'. They investigated the different properties and talked about attract, repel and magnetic.



Breakfast Club

Thank you to parents who are engaging with our new breakfast club procedures. There are spaces in our free breakfast club. It is **completely free** from 8.15 – 8.45 – all we ask is that you book them on in advance on School Spider (closes at 3pm the day before) and then walk them down the path and sign them in when they come.

Scooters and Bikes

It is fantastic that more and more children are cycling or scooting to school. However, we do ask that they do not ride them in the playground for the safety and comfort of other.

Jumpers

Please ensure names are on all uniform particularly jumpers and fleeces as these are the most likely to be left somewhere in 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! To help with those last minute Christmas buys/groceries!

Studybugs 

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>

The Wellbeing Corner



This week's activity is one of our children's activities in school, 'Show & Tell'. Children love bringing things into school to share and talk to the class about. As parents, one of our frustrations is when we ask our children "How was school? What did you do today?" and we are met with either a grunt (I survived teenage children), or "It was okay. Nothing much." Set up a 'Show & Tell' space and ask your child to share something from school, or something they have learned this week/today. For us it is very difficult to keep them to time!

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: Autumn Term.

September	
Wed 23rd	Phonics/Reading Workshop for KS1 parents
Wed 23rd	Open Evening – Meet your child's new teacher
Fri 25th	MacMillan Coffee Morning
Mon 28th	Harvest Festival (bring food donation)
Oct	
Tues 6th	SEND Coffee Morning
Fri 9th	Freddy Fit Day
Fri 16th	Thumbs Up Friday
Wed 21st	Film Night(info to follow)
Fri 23rd	Finish for Half-term
Nov	
Mon 2nd	Return to school for everyone!
Fri 6th	Own Clothes Day – Donations for Xmas Fair
Wed 11th	Remembrance Day
Fri 13th	Own Clothes Day – Children In Need
Mon 16th	Odd Sock Day – Anti-bullying Week
Wed 18th / Thurs 19th	Parent Consultation Evenings
Fri 20th	Own Clothes Day – Donations for Xmas Fair
Fri 27th	Own Clothes Day – Donations for Xmas Fair

Any new dates or changes are highlighted

We cannot authorise term time holidays, so please check the dates. Click on the link below to go to the 2026-27 dates on the website

<https://www.abingdon.stockport.sch.uk/page/school-day-and-term-dates/61147>

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

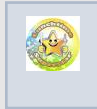


Celebrations

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 start back on Monday 14th September.



Lunchtime child/class of week:

Reception: Alfie

KS1: Foxes

LKS2: Owls

UKS2: Merlins

Golden Broom:

Y2 Foxes



Attendance: Our Whole School attendance this week is: 95.07%

The following classes all got over 96% this week: Rec Badgers, Y1 Squirrels, Y3 Falcons, and Y6 Ospreys.

The class with the highest attendance this week were Reception Badgers with 97.86%!

Reception spun the wheel and have won 'Film Time'.



Certificate winners:

Certificates will start next week.

Badgers: Etta

Y1 Squirrels: Tommy

Y2 Foxes: Ava

Y3 Falcons: James

Y3/4 Kites: Alfie

Y4 Owls: Evie

Y5 Kestrels: Heidi

Y5/6 Merlins: Hasnain

Y6 Ospreys: Darcie-Leigh

*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 month's Super Draw prize is a £1,000 Last-Minute Getaway – From cosy cabins in the Lake District and Cornish beach breaks to London theatre weekends and family staycations, this prize is packed with exciting possibilities that you will instantly relate to.

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