

17th July 2015

Dear Families,

I cannot believe another year is over and we say goodbye to Lottie, Freddie, Logan and George - It has been a pleasure to teach you. In Reception we welcome Olivia A, Olivia S, Taylor, Amelia, Jack, James, Lizzie and Neve as they start their school journey. Have a lovely summer everyone and I will see you in September.

Pencil Cases

The Pencil cases have worked well this year, encouraging children to take responsibility for their own things. Please could you make sure they have a simple A5 pencil case (not with toys or flick out compartments). They need to fit in their trays so not too bulky. In them they need a rubber, short ruler, pencil sharpener with a container. They may also have writing pencils and a handwriting pen (not a biro) but they do not need more than that. Some children have the friction pens that rub out. These are great as they write well but please ensure they are labelled with your child's name as I know they are expensive and would hate them to get lost. We do provide a labelled pencil and handwriting pen but children then need to look after them. If they are lost they will need to stay in at break time to find them.

PE Kit

Please could all children have a plain white T-shirt and plain black shorts with a plain navy or black tracksuit as when we go to school competitions they look scruffy when they are not wearing matching kit.

Next year PE will be on a Wednesday afternoon. Children need their PE kit every Wednesday. If they forget their PE kit or parts of it - they miss 5 minutes of playtime. It is best if PE kit is kept in school as they often have sporting fixtures on a Friday and need PE kit.

Forest Schools

On Monday children in Reception - Year6 will be learning outdoors for the full day. Mrs Mather is a qualified Forest Schools teacher and will be taking the children into the woods for the day. They will need Wellies and Waterproofs and will be eating their lunch outside. We have ordered packed lunches for those on school dinners.

Shirts/ Overalls for Art

All children except Reception need a labelled overall/shirt for Art in September.

KS2 Results

Results are not published for our school because of the small numbers. However, as always, we had exceptional results. 100% of children achieved level 4 in English and Maths (National Average 79%) 75% of children achieved level 5 in English and Maths (National Average 24%) 25% of children achieved level 6 in Grammar, spelling and punctuation and Maths (National average <2%).
Well Done Y6 - Fantastic Results - please make sure you show your Secondary Schools how well you can do.

Abbeystead's Got Talent

Well done to all the children who took part in Abbeystead's got Talent they were amazing and I enjoyed watching them all.

School Dinners

All children from Reception to Y2 are entitled to a free school meal. In Y3-6 the cost of a school meal next year remains at £2.20 per day. If you would like your child to have a school meal next year, please fill in the attached slip.

Clubs Next Term - Sorry I need to make a change the 11+ club for the Y6 children it will move from Tuesday to Thursday for September. It will then be on Tuesday as stated for Y4/5 children.

If your child would like to attend any clubs please fill in the attached slip and return it to school with the money. Please note there is no Sports club on the first day back.

Monday- Sports club- 4:30pm (starts 14th September) 6 weeks £6 for the half term.

Tuesday - 11+club (starts 10th September for Y6 Pupils taking the entrance exams at the end of September - £6 for 3 weeks) 1st October for children in Y4/5 wishing to take the entrance exam. (£8 for 4 weeks)

Board games club Tuesdays 3:30-4:30 -£7 for 7 weeks

Wednesday - Gymnastics Club starts 9th September £7 for 7 weeks

Thursday - Emmett's Kids Club

No Toys in School please

If children have toys in school it makes them different to others and isn't fair on those who do not have toys. If everyone brings toys it is chaos!

Auction of Promises

Please fill in the slip to let us know any possible contacts for our Auction of promises - Thank you.

John's Memorial

We have not forgotten about John's Memorial - we are planning a plaque and tree hopefully to be put in over the summer.

School Uniform (school jumpers and cardigans available from Mike's Schoolwear in Garstang)

Just a reminder about school uniform for next year.

Boys - Grey trousers/ pale blue or white polo shirt and royal blue school sweatshirt. Black school shoes

Girls - Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers white polo shirt and royal blue school cardigan or sweatshirt, black school shoes.

PE Kit - White t-shirt, black shorts, trainers, spare socks, black or navy tracksuit in a draw string bag

Swimming - One piece costume or tight fitting swim shorts/trunks, swimming hat for girls, towel, goggles (if slip signed) in a drawstring bag.

Whole School Photo 2015

The whole school photograph is on display in the school office for everyone to view. Orders are being taken at a cost of £12 each.

School Website

www.abbeysteadschool.co.uk.

Accelerated reader <https://ukhosted9.renlearn.co.uk/2241743/>

Yours truly,

Mrs Fiona Ip
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Fri 17th July - Leaver's Ball 6:30-8:30pm

Tues 21st July - Leaver's Assembly 2:00pm

Wed 22nd July - Awards Assembly 11:30am School finishes for summer 1pm

Future Diary Dates

Mon 7th Sept - School reopens Autumn term

Tues 8th Sept 11+ club Y6/Games club - 4:30pm

Wed 9th Sept-Gymnastics club-4:30pm

Thurs 10th Sept-NO Swimming

Thurs 10th Sept - Kids club

Fri 11th Sept - Individual photos - family groups welcome 8:45am

I would like my child/children.....to attend the Sports Club and I enclose £6 for the half term.

Signed.....

I would like my child/children in Y6.....to attend the 11+ Club and I enclose £6 for 3 weeks.

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I would like my child/children in Y4/5.....to attend the 11+Club and I enclose £8 for 4 weeks.

Signed.....

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Auction of Promise Pledges and Ideas List

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Auction of Promises to raise funds for Abbeystead School.

Signed.....

Ideas and contact details: