

8<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Dear Families,

### **Clubs for Next Term**

All clubs are open to children from Reception to Y6. This is an 8 week long half term. The clubs costs have increased slightly to £1.50 per child per week. Staff run these clubs voluntarily and any money raised goes towards keeping the school open/hiring the village hall/maintaining the field/ buying materials.

**Monday - Rounders/cricket club - 4:30pm £12 for the half term run by Mr Corbett**

**Tuesday - Nature Club - 4:30pm - £12 for the half term run by Mrs Ip**

**Wednesday - Gymnastics club - 4:30pm £12 for the half term run by Melissa Gardner (PE teacher)**

**Thursday - Emmett's Club - 4:30pm in the Village Hall run by Shirley Townley and Rachel Ayrton**

**Please fill in the attached slip with the clubs your child would like to attend.**

### **Headphones (y1-y6)**

For the last few years Friends of Abbeystead school have been purchasing headphones for use on the ipads/laptops. Unfortunately some children chew the wires and do not look after them properly which results in them getting broken. It would be much better and more hygienic if children had their own pair of headphones. They can be in ear or over ear type. We can order the type we have from school which we would label with their name and they keep in their drawer or desk. The school can provide them at a cost of £12 each- these are the over the ear kind that children currently use in school or you can provide your own which can be of any type as long as they are compatible with ipads and laptops. Your child will keep them in their drawer/desk and they will be only used by them so it will be their responsibility to look after them. Reception/nursery children will use the headphones in their classroom. Please fill in the attached slip to indicate whether you will purchase your own headphones or would like school to purchase them.

### **Swimming**

The swimming teacher has contacted me to try and arrange an extra swimming session for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July so 14<sup>th</sup> may not be the last swimming. I will let you know if this is arranged.

## **Y6 Reports**

Our Y6 children did extremely well in their SATs test. The results and reports will go out today. This year there are no levels so you will receive a judgement of either expected (EXS) or working towards the standard (WTS) from teacher assessment. They will also receive a judgement of at the standard (AS) or not met the standard (NS). They are also given their marks for the test (these are all out of a different number so not very useful) and a scaled score which is how your child compares to others on a scale of 80-120 with 100 being the 'standard'. I think that sums it up - it's new to us all.

## **Parents' afternoon to discuss reports**

There are no appointments necessary as this is just a drop in session if there is anything you would like to discuss. Mr Corbett will be in the office and I will be in my office from 2-6pm.

## **Data forms for next year**

Please could you check your forms for the correct addresses/phone numbers for September.

## **Leaver's Ball - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

Thanks to all those who came to the meeting last night. We decided on the following. Please could you try to liaise with other parents in your year group to ensure coverage!

Y6 - Sandwiches

Y5 Biscuits/cucumber/cherry tomatoes

Y4 Pizza (cooked), sausage rolls, sausages

Y3 Cheese and pineapple on sticks/ crisps

Y2 Fruit (prepared) squash orange/ apple and blackcurrant cordial

Y1 Fairy Cakes

Reception crisps/ chocolate fingers /party rings

Nursery/ bread sticks/ lemonade/ fresh orange juice

Please could non-perishable items be brought to school the day before (Wednesday)

If anyone has fairy/string lights we could borrow to decorate the Hall please could they be brought into school on Wednesday.

We would also be grateful for the loan of recent CDs. Please label them so we can return them to you.

We would be very grateful for as many helpers as possible to set up after the Violin Concert on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Fiona Ip  
Headteacher

### Diary Dates

- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> July - New Reception in all day
- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> July - Rounder's club-4:30pm
- Tues 12<sup>th</sup> July - Spelling Bee 1<sup>st</sup> round in class
- Tues 12<sup>th</sup> July - Ellie's Assembly 3:10pm
- Tues 12<sup>th</sup> July - Sewing club - 4:30pm
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> July - Gymnastics Club - 4:30pm
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> July - Jonathan's Assembly 3:10pm
- Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> July - Parents afternoon/evening to discuss reports 2-6pm
- Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> July - Last Swimming

### Future Diary Dates

- Tues 19<sup>th</sup> July - Spelling Bee final 3pm - all welcome to watch.
  - Wed 20<sup>th</sup> July - Awards Assembly 2:30pm
  - Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> July - Violin Concert KS2 1:15-1:45pm
  - Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> July - Leavers' Ball 6:30-8:30pm
  - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Leavers' Assembly 12- 1pm
  - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> July - School closes for summer 1pm
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I would/would not like school to purchase earphones for my child/children.....

I understand that by not purchasing through school I will provide our own.

Signed.....

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I would like my child/children..... to attend the rounders/cricket club and I enclose £12 to cover costs.

Signed.....

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I would like my child/children..... to attend the nature club and I enclose £12 to cover costs.

Signed.....

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I would like my child/children..... to attend the gymnastics club and I enclose £12 to cover costs.

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