

Cawthorne's Endowed Primary School www.abbeysteadschool.co.uk Weekly Newsletter 31st October 2023

Parent Survey

Everyone should have received an email with an attachment to a parental survey. We would be very grateful if these were filled in as the results are very useful for ourselves and feed in to making improvements for our school.

School Lunches

If your child would like a school lunch, please can you return the completed menu choices that should have come home at the end of last half-term.

After school Clubs

Christmas craft club will be running on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. You just need to attend on one of the days as we will be doing the same craft each day, we are just trying to accommodate more people. Please book in advance as places are limited.

Micro-bit Coding Club will run on a Thursday.

Tennis Club

Tennis club will continue for this half term on Friday lunchtimes. Could all children please bring trainers with them on Friday to change in to.

PiE Group

Thank you to the PiE group who came to school during the holidays to help to clear weeds from around the school. Thank you also to the parents and children who joined in to help out.

Author Visit

The Year 5 and 6 children will be travelling to Quernmore on Tuesday 7th November for a visit from Liz Kessler, author of Code Name Kingfisher. She will be talking about her life as an author, her father's escape from Nazi occupied Vienna and her own research for the book.

Stone Age Workshop

Visitors from Imagining History will be coming in to school on Friday 10th November to deliver a stone age workshop to support the Junior's learning on the subject this term.

School Applications

Year 6 parents! As your child is due to start secondary school in September 2024 - apply for their school place now! www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (Closing date 31 October 2023). For guidance and eligibility for school transport see: https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/.

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 15 January 2024.



Forest Schools Nursery & Reception

Each Wednesday

Swimming

Thurs 2nd November

Tennis Club

Lunchtime Friday

Breakfast Club

Mon – Fri From 8am £3

After school Clubs

Mon - Thurs 3.30pm to 4.30pm £2 per session

Christmas Play Tue 19th Dec @ 6pm

Christmas Holiday

Inset Days
Thurs 21st & Fri 22nd Dec

School Closed Mon 25th Dec – Fri 5th Jan (Inclusive)

Weekly Theme

Our theme this week is Friendship. We will be focussing on what qualities make a good friend.

Messages from the teachers



Mr Corbett, Mrs Hanigan and Mrs German

This week we will be starting to look at fables in English. We will be reading lots of fables and looking for similar features in them all.

In Science we start our new topics. The Year 5s and 6s are looking at Space while the Year 3s and 4s will be focussing on Rocks and Fossils. In Computing, the juniors will be designing their own toys coding with Micro:bits. In RE we are going to be focussing on Christianity and who we should follow, leading up to Christmas.

Mrs Unsworth, Mrs Oram and Mrs Harkin

This half term we will be learning all about Guy Fawkes & Remembrance, in Science we will be learning all about the weather. With this in mind, please can we ask children in EYFS to bring a coat, hat and gloves to school on a Wednesday for forest school and can ALL children please ensure they have a change of clothes in school for emergencies!

Reading- We will continue to send home reading books with the view to change them once per week. The reason we ask children to read their book 3 times minimum is because the first time they read, they use their phonics, the second time will be more fluent and the third time will enable the children to use skills, add 'voices' and begin to understand what they are reading. This is alongside shared stories in school as well as a guided reading book which we share in school 3 times per week.

Celebration Corner:

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Thomas who is celebrating his birthday this week.

Family Assembly

Family Assemblies will be held each Friday at 3.10pm, Year 6 children will be celebrating their work this week.

Stars of the Week

Well done to Kaitlyn and Martha who were our stars at the end of last half-term.

PUPIL YOICE

Friday Snack Time - Pupil Voice will be serving biscuits and toast for 20p