

Abingdon Primary School and Children's Centre



Autumn Term 2018

Information and News

It was a privilege to be able to represent Abingdon Primary School and Children's Centre at the Palace of Westminster in London on Monday 22nd October. This was following the inclusion of our school in the Parliamentary Review. A copy of the article is on display in the main reception entrance of school.
Mr A Cooper – Head Teacher

Important Dates

Half Term - Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November

PCSO drop-in - Thursday 8th November 2:30-3:30

Dental Varnish – Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th November

Book Fair week - Monday 12th to Friday 16th November

Flu Vaccinations, parents do NOT need to attend - Wed 28th November

Reception performance for parents - Wednesday 12th December 9:30

Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 12th December

Christmas Fair - Friday 14th December 1:30

Last Day of Term - Friday 21st December

School reopens - Monday 7th January 2019

February 2019 Half Term - Monday 18th to Monday 25th February 2019



Parent Governor

We are pleased to welcome our new Parent Governor Mrs Nadia Ditta to Abingdon Primary School.



Parent Internet Café



Please watch out for our 'Internet Café'. This will give you and your child the chance to use Abingdon electronic devices and surf the web with support from Mr Barstow.

It will also give your child the opportunity to show you some of their skills and work that they have been doing in their computing lessons.

Parking

Parking is a continuing concern and we are doing all we can, with parking patrols and the local PCSO in-place at key times. Please **do not** park on the Zig Zag lines.

Parent Council Meeting

The Parent Council is always coming up with new ways that we can support our children, both in school and at home. At the forum parents can offer opinions and ideas on how we can improve specific areas of our school. Currently, we are focusing on ways of improving the amount of reading at home, anti-bullying, an exciting new Twitter feed and the upcoming Christmas Fair! If you are interested in joining, please contact school Reception.



Mr Hedgley was a finalist for the Evening Gazette Sports Awards in the Unsung Hero Sporting category. The Sport Awards are a celebration

of everything that is great about sport and the nominations are from an army of dedicated volunteers, coaches, parents and teachers who work tirelessly to nurture and develop our local talent.

Mr Hedgley and the senior team attended the Awards Ceremony at Jurys Inn on Thursday 18th October. 150 names were nominated for the award and we are pleased to confirm that Mr Hedgley was in the final three. Well done!

Please remember every school day counts and it is vitally important that children are in school **on time by 8.55am at the latest** every day.

Abingdon Arch

The Abingdon Arch is all about our core values that we want for all the children at Abingdon. ARCH stands for **A**spirations, **R**esilience, **C**ommitment, **H**armony. All the children have been taught what these mean. Please ask your child to explain them to you, this will help them with their understanding.

Thursday 25th October was **Aspirations Day**. We had visitors from a range of different careers and KS2 children had the opportunity to ask questions and find out more about the careers that interested them. It was a wonderful event and all the visitors who attended commented on our children's excellent behaviour and manners. We would like to thank all our visitors who gave up their time for the children at Abingdon.

Watch out for details of our next ARCH day: **Resilience Day**.

School Meals

All children in Reception, Year One and Two have a hot meal provided for them at lunch free of charge as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme. Meal payments for children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 are £9.50 per week. Please could you ensure that dinner monies are paid on Monday morning of each week.

PE Kits

Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school at all times. PE kits can be taken home at the end of each term.



Sporting News

Abingdon student sports teams have been on a roll this autumn term! There were seven sports tournaments that took place, and all students selected demonstrated resilience, teamwork, and good sportsmanship throughout each tournament. This hard work and dedication from the sports teams finished the autumn term with Abingdon achieving one first place and three second place trophies. Needless to say Abingdon school is very proud of all the students who represented their school.

Boys Year 5&6 Football 1-2-2 (MVP - Daniils Gibuzis)

Girls Year 5&6 Football 2nd Place Trophy (MVP - Aliyah Ali)

Cross Country Running Boys Year 3&4 (MVP - Hamzah Iqbal)

Cross Country Running Girls Year 3&4 (MVP - Alina Rafiq)

Cross Country Running Boys Year 5 (MVP - Danish Shrukhi)

Cross Country Running Girls Year 5 (MVP - Sanari Lambay)

Cross Country Running Boys Year 6 (MVP - Alex Goras)

Cross Country Running Girls Year 6 (MVP - Baneen Al Tahery)

Golf Festival (MVP - Josh Stephenson)

Mix Tag Rugby Year 5&6 - 1st Place Trophy (MVP - Muhammad Hamid)

Mix Tag Rugby year 3&4 - 2nd place Trophy (MVP - Mariam Ahmad)

Girls Tag Rugby - 2nd Place trophy (MVP - Visara Aliaj)



HeadStart

Abingdon Primary School and Children's Centre are working in partnership with HeadStart. HeadStart looks at the wellbeing in young people. The program's services and resources are designed to help children's physical and emotional well-being, both in school and in the community. Some children benefit greatly in the transition process from Primary to Secondary School too. The aim is to improve our emotional health as a learning community.

If you would like to know more about HeadStart please ask in school, at the Children's Centre or visit the HeadStart facebook page @HeadstartBoro for more information.