



ABBOTS FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Our June 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers,

We hope that everyone enjoyed the half term break. It is hard to believe that we are now entering our final half term of this academic year and we have a busy time ahead of us.

Learning Around School

Although only 4 weeks long, last half term saw more fantastic learning happening. Some highlights included Year 5's trip to the National Space Centre, our brilliant Year 6s working so hard through their SATs, multiple sports events (football, rounders and tennis) and of course a range of after school clubs. We are very much anticipating more of the same this half term (minus the SATs!).



The Half Term Ahead

Alongside the exciting learning opportunities planned for each year group this half term, our teachers have been organising a number of whole school projects and experiences for the children to be immersed in. The following information explains what is going on and when:

Year 5 Space Camp

The now annual Space Camp is into its 3rd year this year and will be held on **Friday 14th June**. Thanks to Mr Wolsey and the Year 5 team, there are lots of space related activities planned for the evening. We are all very much looking forward to another hugely successful evening (and also hoping for some sleep!). Information has been shared with parents at a meeting. If you require any further info, please contact school.

Vertical Learning Day

On **Tuesday 11th June**, children will be mixed into their Houses (Eagles, Kestrels and Ospreys) for our final Vertical Learning Day of the year. Children will be working in mixed-aged classes and the focus is the future of the planet and sustainability.

Art Projects

Over the next two weeks, all year groups will be undertaking a variety of art projects focusing on a range of different artists and medium. Year 3 are studying David Hockney, Year 4 are creating images in the style of Pop Art, Year 5 with Picasso and Year 6 are making sculptures in the style of Niki De Saint Phalle. Keep an eye on Twitter (@abbotsfarm) for photos of the works of art created.



RSE

A reminder that all year groups will be starting their Relationship and Sex Education over the next two weeks. All information around lesson content is available on our website in the 'Parents' section.

Sports Week – WB 24th June

Mrs Beech has been busy organising a range of sports and activities for all pupils to experience over the course of the week. Children are advised to have sports kit in school each and every day that week. A timetable will be put onto the school website by the end of the next week (14th June) so you can see what we have planned. ****Please note: Our school sports day is planned for Monday 15th July (weather permitting!). We are planning to follow the same format as last year and invite all family members to stay for a picnic lunch with your children from 12-1. More info to follow**

2019 Staffing and Transition Day – 27th June

Over the next two weeks, staff will be informed of year groups and the classes that they will be inheriting. Just before transition day, which this year is much earlier on **Thursday 27th June**, all children and families will be informed of their next class teacher. We are not planning on mixing all the classes up as we did this time last year, as the balance in each class has worked effectively thus far. However, there may be minor alterations to classes (all of which will be discussed with parents).

On the 27th, your child will attend their new year group and class for the full day. As always, they will have a chance to get to know their teacher a little more and the rest of the staff in the year group and equally, be encouraged to share a little more about themselves too.

To our Year 6s – good luck for your transition day(s) up to secondary school. The secondary schools have started to visit us here to talk to the pupils about transition and we can feel the excitement building amongst the children.

Open Afternoons – 1st – 5th July

Our termly open afternoons are back. We are hoping to see as many of you as possible between 2-3pm on the afternoons below. Please remember that if you wish to take your child/children home, you must wait until 3pm and then sign out at the office.

Year 3 – Monday 1st July

Year 4 – Tuesday 2nd July

Year 5 – Friday 5th July

Year 6 – Thursday 4th July



Sporting Success

Congratulations to all of our budding athletes who have been taking part in various sporting events recently. All our pupils who have represented the school in various sports have done a great job and we are very proud of them. Success has come in the form of winning football matches for boys' and girls' teams as well as reaching the final of the tennis and rounders tournaments.

We also have a number of other events coming up soon – cricket, athletics and tri-golf are also due to be taking place in the coming weeks. Dates to follow when confirmed.

Attendance

Congratulations to **Blackbird** for achieving the highest attendance for May – **97.9%** (5 Tokens awarded to the class) I wonder who will win June's tokens?

Summer Fair

Our annual Summer Fair & BBQ is being held on **Friday 12th July** from **6.30pm – 8.30pm**. Further information will be sent out shortly (along with raffle tickets etc).

We are also seeking donations of teddy bears (in good condition) for one particular stall. If you are able to donate, please send them into the office over the coming weeks.



Water and Sun cream

Can I remind parents to make sure that their child has a named water bottle in school especially during the forthcoming warm days. We have water coolers for children to refill their water bottles through the day but not an endless supply of paper cups. We also recommend applying sun cream before the children come to school and please encourage them to wear a sun hat (when the sun finally appears!)

Office Reminders:

- Dinner Costs: Half term £74.80 (34 days @ £2.20) (Yr6 will be less one day for induction day 27th June £72.60),
- Swimming £28
- Music Lessons: £40.00 (summer term – for those still outstanding)

Finally, please follow us on Twitter - **@abbotsfarm**. We aim to put lots of photos of events and pupils' achievements on there and it would be great if you could share in those celebrations.

Mr Joss Andrews
Head Teacher