



# ABBOTS FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL

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## April 2021 Newsletter

### End of Term Review

Dear pupils and families – Firstly, congratulations on making it to the end of what has been one of the most challenging terms in recent memory. Over the past 12 weeks, pupils, parents and staff have all faced a number of new challenges, from Remote Learning, to working in classes with different teachers, bubble closures, self-isolation and very little to do outside of school because of the lockdown.

Taking all of that into consideration, I have been truly inspired by the commitment of the pupils upon the wider return on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Despite a number of children finding the whole situation very emotional, we have continued to see pupils positively engage in class, play well with their peers and respond confidently to the teachers and TAs.

As we look forward to the Summer Term, I am hopeful that the wider opening of society, visiting gardens and playing sport etc, will provide families with further chances to relax and enjoy their time together.

We are eager to mirror this in school, and are seeking ways to further enhance the children's experiences between April and July. Please read on for further information around clubs and other events.

Wishing you all a relaxing and enjoyable Easter Break.

Mr Andrews and the Abbots Farm Team

### Half Term Learning Highlights



**Year 5 Science**



It has been great to see each of the year groups engage so positively with the different learning challenges. The scientific understanding during our Space Week this week, has really impressed the teachers. Good luck to everyone who has entered the competitions set by Mr Wolsey. We've had some super entries so far and look forward to seeing whose work is chosen to represent the school 😊



**Year 4 Egyptian work**



**Year 3 Spring projects**



**Year 6 Rockets**





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## Home Learning

As with every break, pupils will not be set any official home learning over Easter. However, should they wish to engage with some learning, we would highly encourage them to look at the new Reading Planet access we have purchased for all pupils, and continue with apps such as Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars.

If you have any queries about content for home learning, please refer to our Home Learning policy.

<https://abbotsfarm.co.uk/key-information/policies/>

For more information, please email [admin2421@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2421@welearn365.com) and the teachers will get back to you.



## Baby news

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Bostock and her husband are expecting their second child, due in August.

We are looking forward to meeting another Farmer.



Mrs Bostock's finish date is yet to be finalised as current COVID safety guidance states that pregnant staff are to start remote working from 28 weeks. As such, we will provide further updates regarding Mrs Bostock's end date and replacement after Easter.

## Diary Dates

**2<sup>nd</sup> April – Good Friday**

**19<sup>th</sup> April – Summer Term starts**

**30<sup>th</sup> April – PTA Virtual Magic Show (see flyer below)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> May – Bank Holiday**

**31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June (Half term)**

**7<sup>th</sup> June – Teacher Training day**

**21<sup>st</sup> July – Last day of 2020/21 Academic Year**

\*Further dates will be added in due course.



We are pleased to announce the return of a small number of after school clubs, after Easter. Clubs form an important part of school life for so many and we are delighted to share that a number of them will be taking place over the Summer Term. Please click on the link below to register your child's interest.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-hEVTlm6ekOhnanIPyn9sNp5n7C5pDhHprgKgkbUF5hUNOdSklyQ1RSNVBRUVY1WEtRUIdFNEo0VC4u>

Clubs will start after school and run until 4.20-4.30, depending upon clubs – info to be shared in the first week back after Easter.

*\*Please note – no place is guaranteed. We are working on a one club per child per half term basis, to ensure that as many children have an opportunity as possible.*

## Nut Free School

A reminder that Abbots Farm Juniors is a NUT FREE school. Please can we ask that all packed lunches and snacks are NOT to contain nuts. We have children in school with severe allergies. Thank you



## Family Support – in school

As a school, we are always looking at ways to try and support our pupils and their families. As such, **Miss Poppy**, our pastoral coordinator, continues to be available should families wish to discuss any pastoral or family concerns. Currently, Miss Poppy is free to call families on Friday afternoons between **1 and 3pm**. Please note, that due to logistical restrictions, Miss Poppy may not be able to work directly with specific year groups, but will be able to coordinate support within those year groups by passing information on.

## Office Updates and Reminders

**Payments** – Please can all families check any outstanding payments on Eduspot and ensure that they are all up to date.

**Clubs** – We are busily planning our offer of before and after-school clubs. We hope these will be back up and running after Easter for the duration of the Summer Term.

**Swimming** – Swimming is still yet to be offered. The Diamond Jubilee Centre are busily planning how they can effectively deliver COVID secure swimming sessions. Further info to be shared soon.

Best wishes,  
Mr Andrews

**Abbots Farm Junior School PTA**

**Invites you to**

**Steve Price's**

**"Virtually Impossible!"**

**online magic show**

**on**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm**

**Entry Fee £5 per family**

Here's how it works –

Email [PTA2421.c@welearn365.com](mailto:PTA2421.c@welearn365.com) to book your place.

On the day before the show, you will be sent your Zoom link.

The £5 entry fee will be charged to your School Money account.

The Show lasts for 45 minutes.

[www.stevepriceillusions.co.uk](http://www.stevepriceillusions.co.uk)



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