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Abbey Lane Primary School NEWSLETTER



Spring Term 2022 – Second Half

New website

The school's new website is now live and can be accessed at www.abbeylanepriamaryschool.com. We are very pleased with it and hope that you find this site much easier to navigate. Key documents and policies can be found there, as well as information on the curriculum. Under the Learning tab, there is a Curriculum section, where you will find resources around each subject area. There is an overview for the year about which topics are being covered in each area, alongside a curriculum rationale for that area and a progression grid of the disciplinary knowledge that will be covered. For foundation subjects there are also copies of the knowledge organisers for each topic that has been covered in the Autumn term and for those that are currently being covered in the Spring term. The Summer term ones will be added closer to the time. By looking at the knowledge organisers, you will be able to see in a little more detail the learning that will be covered. We hope that you find this information useful in supporting your child's learning at home.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. The children once again have received a £1 book token, which may be exchanged for one of the £1 books from participating book sellers listed on the World Book Day website. Alternatively, the tokens can be used towards the cost of other children's books with a greater value than £2.99. We would encourage the children to dress up as a character from their favourite book on this day. They do not need to bring any money on this occasion. In classrooms, activities will be taking place throughout the day and some may form part of home learning for the week.



Adverse Weather

This information is just to help us all to be prepared in the event of excessive rain, snow or heating problems. **If the school had to close, for any reason, parents/carers would be informed by text or email via ParentPay.** If there is no communication, then the assumption should be that school is open. It is essential therefore, that you have registered for this service and that you keep your contact details up to date. If we know in the morning that the school will not be opening, this information will also be posted on the school website by 7:30am at the latest, the following radio websites and the LA website so please check if you have any concerns:

School	www.abbeylanepriamaryschool.com
LA website	www.sheffield.gov.uk/schoolclosures
Radio Hallam's website	www.planetradio.co.uk/hallam
Radio Sheffield's website	http://news.bbc.co.uk/radiosheffield

As you can appreciate with 600 children in school, the office can become inundated with unnecessary phone calls. In order to avoid this, the best method of keeping informed would be for you to register to receive a text or email via ParentPay to inform you early in the morning as to whether the school would be closed in the event of adverse weather.

Red Nose Day

We will be supporting Red Nose Day on **Friday 17th March**. As one of the UK's biggest fundraising events, Red Nose Day brings the entire nation together to raise money and change lives. To support this and raise money, we are asking the children to dress in **non-uniform for a £1 donation on Red Nose Day**. We really appreciate your continued support and hope that everyone has fun helping the school to raise money for good causes.

Volunteering and DBS

We would like to encourage you to volunteer to help in your child's class. Research shows that adult volunteers can benefit children and families greatly. Children like to interact with other adults and as parents, you will become more knowledgeable of school practices and expectations. You will get to know the staff and children in a different way, helping you understand more about what happens in the classroom. We are aware that many parents work, but if you can spare some time to help, please contact your child's teacher.

You will need to have an enhanced DBS, which school will pay for. However, due to the regulations around this, you will need to be able to commit to coming into school at least once every half term. Obviously, if you can come in more than this, that would be lovely.

Diary Dates to Spring Bank Holiday

Please read carefully and keep somewhere safe. We have tried to include as many **provisional** dates until Spring Bank Holiday. We will send Summer 2 dates out once finalised.

Tuesday 28 th February	NEU strike, school closed to some classes
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
Wednesday 15 th March	NEU strike, school closed to some classes
Thursday 16 th March	NEU strike, school closed to some classes
Tuesday 21 st March	PALS Disco
Friday 24 th March	FS2 visit to White Post Farm
Wednesday 28 th March	Y5 Viking Day
Friday 31 st March – Friday 14 th Apr	Easter Holiday
Monday 17 th April	Return from Easter Holiday
Wednesday 26 th April	Y5 visit to Bempton Cliffs
Thursday 27 th April	Y5 visit to Bempton Cliffs
Monday 1 st May	May Day
Monday 8 th May	King's Coronation
Tuesday 9 th – Friday 12 th May	Y6 SATs
Monday 15 th May	Group photos
Friday 26 th May	INSET
Monday 28 th May – Fri 2 nd June	Spring Bank half term
Monday 5 th June	INSET