



Abbey Primary School Newsletter

June 2024

Right of the Month

Article 6: The right to life and to grow up and be healthy.

Monday 24th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very pertinent Right of the Month this month with so much physical activity and sports events happening across the school. Thank you for all your support last week during our Sports Week events. The pupils had a wonderful time, and I am extremely grateful to the staff for organising such memorable experiences.

As we close in on the end of the academic year, I can reflect fondly on the past 12 months that I have been with you. It has been a very successful period, with lots of positive feedback coming from you as parents and carers, as well as that from staff, pupils and governors alike. So, diolch yn fawr.

After-school Clubs

I hope you have all appreciated the wide number of after-school clubs the teachers and teaching assistants have provided this year. We are certainly very lucky to have so many staff willing to provide the extra-curricular activities that they do.

This is the LAST week of after-school clubs and they will finish on Wednesday 26th June, as we have the Summer Serenade this Thursday.

Summer Serenade

Thank you to our hugely supportive PTA who have again organised the Summer Serenade for our pupils this year.

As you can see from the poster, the event is a free event, but snacks can be purchased.

Reception to Year 2 pupils will be 3:30pm to 4:30pm. All pupils to stay and go to the serenade straight from school.

Year 3 – 6 will be 5pm to 6pm.

I would also like to say a huge thank to our PTA who supported our Sports Week events last week, providing free ice-lollies to each pupil, as well as selling refreshments and fruit.

Diolch yn fawr for all your support this year.

PTA

Ysgol Gynradd Abbey Primary School
Growth together. Play together. Grow together.

SUMMER SERENADE

Our summer serenade is taking place on Thursday 27th June

Reception -year 2 - 3.30pm til 4.30pm

Year 3- year 6 - 5pm til 6pm

Nursery and EYAC will take place during school hours.

Free entry for all the children .

There will be a tuck shop selling crisps, sweets, drinks for reception class to year 6 to purchase items from during the disco.

On sale will be
Crisps from 50p
Pick and mix sweets from 5p to 10p per sweet
Bottled drinks from £1
Glass of squash 50p

crisps
foil wrapped

Parents'/Carers' Meeting (Book Look)

You are all invited in during the first week of July (1st to 3rd July) to visit classrooms and to view the work completed this year by your children. Teachers will provide a time slot for 4/5 families to attend and spend 25/30 minutes looking at the books and discussing the progress made by the children. It will be an opportunity for you to reflect on the mid-year report and raise any questions/comments. Hopefully, the meetings will provide you with a better understanding of the progress made and to celebrate a successful year.

Mr. Thomas, who is covering Miss. Tyler's maternity leave, will provide time for his Year 6 parents to view books on 4th July.

Premises

Car Park – As you can all see the car park is now well underway. Unfortunately, there was a 5-week stand down and this was due to planning issues, which the council took a while to get back to Oaktree Construction on. Thankfully, it is full steam ahead now and the completion date is 16th September 2024.

I must stress that the plan come September will be to move the 'in' barrier further down the drive, allowing for safe access to the path from the new car park **behind** the barrier. This will avoid the congestion which currently occurs around the three barriers.

There will be plenty of space to park once the car park is completed, and families can walk a short distance to school from the new car park. This new barrier system is planned for September, so please ensure that parking is safe and legal.

Can I also ask that you follow the correct system when queuing for spaces in the drop off zone. A number of parents have complained about people not going around the island the correct way and dash into spaces after entering through the bottom gates. Please be respectful that everyone needs a space, and that people are politely queuing for these spaces.

Out of school parking

I have had complaints from residents about parking during the rush hour. I appreciate that there is not much room for parking, but please be mindful of blocking residents' driveways and parking in inconsiderate ways.

Also, please refrain from blocking the barriers. This is a health and safety risk and should not be happening.

Staffing

Miss. Bowring has been successful in obtaining a two term Welsh sabbatical starting in September. Congratulations to her and this is something she wanted to do to develop her Welsh language skills. Miss. Evans will be staying on for two terms in Year 3 to cover Miss. Bowring, with Miss. Bowring returning for the summer term.

Transition

Our Year 6 pupils will be attending a transition day on Wednesday 3rd July and this will be the day that our classes will meet their new teacher for September. The pupils will spend a morning in their new classroom with the new staff members. It is imperative the children are in on this day. Our nursery pupils will be staying for a packed lunch in the dining hall and can be collected at 12:30pm. (Mrs. Williams will send direct correspondence around this).

Confirmed dates for your diary

Date	Activity/Event
Thursday 27 th June	Summer Serenade (Rec to Y2) - 3:30pm to 4:30pm (pupils to remain in school) and Y3 to Y6 (5pm to 6pm). EYAC & Nursery pupils will take part during the day.
Friday 28 th June	Kelly Austin (CAMHs Practitioner) in for a self-esteem workshop with Year 3 (am) and Year 4 (pm)
W/B 1 st July	PARENTS/CARERS CELEBRATION OF WORK AND BOOK LOOK IN CLASSES. (More details and times to follow)
W/B 1 st July	Year 6 swimming sessions all week (Y6M)
Tuesday 2 nd July	Design to Smile Fluoride Varnish (Nursery to Year 2)
Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day (Dwr-y-Felin) – coach provided Rest of the school transition with their new classes/teachers and support staff (am only).
Wednesday 3 rd July	Kelly Austin (CAMHs Practitioner) in for a self-esteem workshop with Year 5
W/B 8 th July	Year 6 swimming sessions all week (Y6T)
Wednesday 10 th July	Y4, 5 & 6 TRIP TO HEATHERTON
Thursday 11 th July	YEAR 6 LEAVERS' PARTY (4:30pm to 6pm)
Monday 15 th July	YEAR 6 LEAVERS' TRIP to LC2 & DENNY'S
Monday 15 th July	RECEPTION TRIP TO FOLLY FARM
Tuesday 16 th July	YEAR 1, 2 & 3 TRIP TO FOLLY FARM
Wednesday 17 th July	NURSERY GRADUATION @ 10am (Parents/Carers to attend)
Friday 19 th July	END OF ACADEMIC YEAR!
SUMMER HOLIDAYS MON 22 ND JULY TO SUNDAY 1 ST SEPTEMBER	
Monday 2 nd September	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	Pupils start back after the summer holidays

Thank you for taking the time to read my newsletter.

Yours faithfully,



Mr. K. M. Hodder
(Headteacher)