



Abbey Road News

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Dear Parents/Carers

Staff News

Mrs Hill, our School Business Manager, and Mr Smith, our Site Manager, have both taken the decision to retire in November, after many years of dedicated service at Abbey Road, helping to ensure the smooth running of our day-to-day operations. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them both for their commitment and all they have done to support the children, staff, and families at the school during their time here.

Both roles are currently being advertised, with more details available on the Equals Trust vacancies page.

Internet Issues

Huge apologies for the glitch in our communication systems last week. We had no internet in school all week and this affected so many elements of our provision, particularly emails and phone lines. We are finally connected again and back to business as usual, but if you experienced any issues in contacting us, I am very sorry.



Parking Outside School

For those who need to travel to school by car, The Willow Tree pub has kindly offered the use of their car park as a drop-off point. It's just a short walk from school and would greatly help in reducing congestion on the surrounding roads.

Harvest Donations

On Monday 7th October, we will be sharing a harvest message with the children in assembly, helping them to understand how important it is to appreciate all we have and to never take the food we are given for granted. As part of this message, we would like to make a donation to the Friary Drop-in Centre on Musters Road, who we know would be extremely

grateful for any contributions. The centre volunteers work so hard to prepare food parcels and meals for those in need. Children can bring non-perishable items of food to school anytime this week, or in the morning of **Monday 7th October**. These should be taken to classrooms and teachers will arrange for any donations to be brought together, ready for collection by Friary staff on Monday afternoon. Non-perishable items such as cans and packets of food are ideal as they can be stored for a long time, but the centre will also gladly accept fresh produce too.

Applying for Secondary School

If your child is in Year 6 and you haven't yet applied for their secondary school, be aware that applications close on 31st October. Follow this link to apply: <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/applying-for-a-school-place-september>

Parents Evening

Later this week, you will receive a letter about our forthcoming parents evenings. Appointments can be booked online and the letter will include a link to our booking system.



Hockey Success

Last week, two teams of Year 6 children took part in an afternoon of hockey, showing incredible determination and enthusiasm despite the rainy weather. Both teams played brilliantly throughout the tournament, remaining undefeated - winning every game except the one they drew against each other! In the end, our Abbey Road A squad claimed a narrow victory on goal difference, but it was a joy to watch both teams in action. I couldn't be prouder of their effort and sportsmanship.

Dates for the Term Ahead

Monday 30 th September	Individual and sibling photographs
Monday 7 th October	Harvest Assembly – collection for the Friary Drop-in Centre
Thursday 10 th October	Reception phonics information evening for parents – 5.30pm
Tuesday 15 th and Thursday 17 th October	Parents evening – 3.50-7pm
Friday 18 th October	Y6 visit to Beaumanor Hall (World War II themed day)
Monday 21 st October to Friday 1 st November	Half term
Thursday 7 th November	HSA Disco 6.15-7.15 - Reception & KS1 7.30-8.30 – KS2
11 th – 13 th November	Hathersage residential – Y4
13 th – 15 th November	Hathersage residential – Y4
w/b Monday 11 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Friday 6 th December	HSA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 10 th December – 9.30-10.15 Thursday 12 th December – 9.30-10.15	Reception Nativity
Tuesday 10 th December – 1.45-2.30 Wednesday 11 th December – 9.30-10.15	Year 1 Nativity
Tuesday 17 th December	Year 3 visit to Cresswell Crag
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term
Monday 6 th January 2024	Back to school

Plenty more dates will be added over the coming weeks, and we will continue to share these with you via newsletters and our website calendar.

Best wishes,

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