



Abbey Road News

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Dear Parents/Carers

24-hour Bike-a-thon – Let's Get Pedalling!

This Friday marks the start of our exciting 24-hour bike-a-thon challenge – and we're ready to go! A big thank you to everyone who has signed up so far. There's still time to get involved, and we'd especially love to fill those early morning slots (2am–5am, anyone?!).

A separate letter with full details was shared yesterday, but I just wanted to take a moment to get behind the event and encourage as many of you as possible to come and support it – whether that's riding, cheering, donating or simply enjoying the atmosphere.

We'd love to see you on Friday morning for the 9am launch (with coffee and cakes from Café Allez from 8am!). All money raised will be split between the HSA and YoungMinds, helping to support young people's mental health.

And finally – please do come back to school for the grand finale on Saturday morning! It would be wonderful to have a big crowd to cheer on the final riders and celebrate everyone's efforts as we count down to the 9am finish line together. Let's give those who've cycled through the night the applause they deserve! If you'd like to support the event, you can also donate via our JustGiving page – every contribution makes a difference.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/abbeyroadbikeclub>

Abbey Road Baby News

We're delighted to share some staff baby news with you! Please join us in sending huge congratulations to:

- Mr Jones on the birth of Maggie
- Mr Elson on the birth of Rafi
- Mrs Lever on the birth of Joel



We're so pleased for them all and wish each family lots of love, happiness and sleep in the months ahead!

NottAlone Podcast

We wanted to let you know about a new podcast series launched by *NottAlone* – a trusted local resource for young people's mental health and wellbeing.

The podcast offers practical advice and honest conversations about the challenges young people face today and is a useful resource for parents and carers. Topics range from managing anxiety and building resilience, to neurodiversity and the power of finding your passion.

The full list of episodes can be found here: <http://nottalone.org.uk/thenottalonepodcast> and they are available via Spotify, Apple and other podcasting platforms directly.

Class Arrangements for 2025/26

Later this week, you will receive a letter outlining our class arrangements for next year.

On **Wednesday 9th July**, children will spend time with their new teacher(s) and in their new classrooms during our 'Move Up Morning'. Our new Reception children will also be in school on this day, and Year 6 pupils who are moving on to Rushcliffe Spencer Academy will spend the day at their new school too.

Our classroom plan for next year is as follows:

- Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 classes will remain in their current rooms.
- Year 3 will be based in the current Year 5 classrooms.
- Year 5 will move to the current Year 6 classrooms.
- Year 6 will relocate to the current Year 3 classrooms.

As part of our preparations for the new school year, we'll be saying goodbye to our current year group and initial-based class names in July. From September, we're excited to introduce a new themed approach to naming our classes. All will be revealed in our upcoming class arrangements letter later this week – watch this space!

A Celebration of Music

Over the past few weeks, our school has been filled with music, talent and joy as children have taken part in a range of fantastic musical events.

We were wowed by the finalists in *Abbey Road's Got Talent* at the Summer Festival – from dancing and cheerleading to piano playing and singing, the confidence of our young performers was incredible. A huge well done to all who took part, and special congratulations to our winner, Theodore, for an enthusiastic and unforgettable performance of *What Does the Fox Say* – complete with some seriously cool dance moves!

We also enjoyed a lovely Music Recital where children who take music lessons in school performed confidently for their families – a brilliant opportunity to showcase how much they've learned.

Some of our instrumentalists took part in the Equals Trust Combined Orchestra event – a fantastic chance to make music as part of a large orchestra alongside children from other schools. It was an impressive performance and we were so proud of everyone who took part.

Finally, our annual Music Concert brought together the Glee Club, recorder group, orchestra and some very talented soloists in a wonderful evening of musical celebration. The children's enthusiasm and commitment really shone through – a big thank you to our music teachers and to everyone who supported these events.



Congratulations!

We're very pleased to share that one of our school parents, Jaspal Singh Taggar, has been awarded an MBE in the King's Birthday Honours this year. He received the honour for his outstanding services to General Practice and General Practise Teaching. Jaspal is a nationally recognised leader across medical education and research, and his innovative thinking has led to the next generation of medics being trained to an exceptionally high standard.

It's always lovely to hear positive news from within our school community and send our warmest congratulations to Jaspal and his family. [News - Nottingham expert in medical education receives an MBE in the King's Birthday Honours - University of Nottingham](#)



Bike Club at Hicks Lodge

Our Bike Club enjoyed a brilliant day out at Hicks Lodge National Cycle Centre this week. The children loved testing their skills on the woodland trails, tackling twists, turns and a few exciting bumps along the way! It was a great opportunity to ride in a new setting and spend time outdoors together. Thank you to all the parents who supported with lifts – we really appreciate your help in making trips like this possible.

Thank-you!

Our fantastic SENCO, Mrs Mitchell, was recently recognised by the Pearson National Teaching Awards for the incredible work she does every day to support children with special educational needs across our school.

As part of National 'Thank a Teacher' Day, Mrs Mitchell was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers in recognition of her dedication, expertise and the difference she makes to so many families.

We're so proud to see her efforts celebrated in this way – thank you, Mrs Mitchell, for all that you do!

Best wishes,

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Dates for the Term Ahead

Thursday 3 rd July	Reception visiting Rushcliffe Country Park
Monday 7 th July	5.30-6.30pm – Meeting for new Reception parents
Tuesday 8 th and Thursday 10 th July	Year 6 production
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 6 transition visit to Rushcliffe Spencer Academy Reception – Year 5 - 'Move up morning' New Reception children visiting school
Friday 11 th July	am – Key Stage 2 'Potted Sports' pm – Key Stage 2 Sports Day – 1.10-3.30pm (gates open from 12.55pm)
Sunday 13 th – Tuesday 15 th July	Bike Club residential – Year 6
w/b Monday 14 th July	Health & wellbeing week <i>Alongside the opportunities outlined below, children will also enjoy Forest School and take part in sessions led by our Sports Leaders</i>
Monday 14 th July	Reception/Key Stage 1 sports day 1.30-3.30pm (gates open from 1.15pm)
Tuesday 15 th and Wednesday 16 th July	BMX sessions Years 5 and 6
Wednesday 16 th July	Rebound Fitness trampoline workshops Reception, Years 1 and 2
Thursday 17 th July	Mini Warriors Years 3 and 4
Friday 18 th July	Year 1 to Clip and Climb
Friday 25 th July	Last day of term