



Abbey Road News

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Dear Parents/Carers

Guatemala Carnival!

Many thanks to you all for supporting our Guatemala Day today. The children all looked fabulous in their bright colours and very much ready for a day of fun! Our day started together in the hall where we met Mahalia from the Education for the Children charity and performed some Spanish songs to her. Children have then moved around school, taking part in lots of different activities. They have learned a traditional dance, more about typical foods eaten in Guatemala, got to grips with the Mayan number system and enjoyed Guatemalan themed music, art and games lessons. (More photos will be published on our website soon.)

School of Hope



All of the money raised from today will go the School of Hope. We learned more about this amazing place in our assembly at the beginning of the week. If you would like to find out more, here is a link to their website: <https://www.eftc.org.uk/en/>



Summer Fair

The grand total for our Summer Fair now stands at over £3,700! Well done and thank you to everyone for helping to raise this fantastic amount. A number of local businesses supported this event by donating prizes so could I extend my gratitude to: No. 8 Deli, the Fruit Basket, Portello Lounge, Theatre Royal & Royal Concert Hall, Mad Dog Sport, 200 Degrees coffee, Rattle & Roll, DNF, Premier Sports, Lady Bay Tennis Academy and David Lloyd.

Our 'Reading Garden' planning committee will meet again over the next few weeks to finalise plans for the area. As well as funding this new, outdoor space, money raised will also go towards the redevelopment of our EYFS outdoor provision. We have submitted an 'Awards for All' bid to support with this project too and have our fingers crossed as we wait to hear back.

Eco Club – Battery Recycling

Eco-Club's visit to the Veolia Recycling Centre inspired the group to introduce even more 'green' opportunities at Abbey Road and they would like to inform you that we are now collecting batteries for recycling too. A collection box is available in the school entrance area.

Mr Crawley – Chess at Abbey Road

I have received a letter from Mr Crawley, our chess teacher, to inform us that he will be retiring at the end of this academic year. Mr Crawley has worked with Abbey Road for many years and has helped a number of children to learn how to master the game of chess, some to county level. I would like to thank him for his commitment to the game and for inspiring so many children during his time here. I wish him all the best for his retirement.

Mr Crawley has kindly offered to help us to find a new teacher to step into his shoes. Chess has a long tradition at Abbey Road and I would very much like this to continue to be the case.

Move Up Morning

Next Tuesday, children will be spending the morning with their new teachers. Our new Rainbows and Sunshines will also be having their first visit to Abbey Road and our Year 6 children, who are moving on to Rushcliffe, will also be spending the day at their new school.

In the morning, children should line up in their usual places, as they will be collected by their current class teachers for registration. After this, they will move to their new classrooms, where they will be introduced to their new teacher and get to know a little more about life in their new year group. Class groups from Year 1 to Year 5 will remain as they are. After their visit, children will receive a letter detailing our class arrangements for September.

As we think about our classes for next year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Mansfield for being such a great member of the Abbey Road team over the past two years, most recently covering the maternity leave for Mrs Turner and staying on with Class 3M until the end of the year. Mrs Mansfield has a new post to move on to in September and I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the best and thanking her for sharing her skills with us at Abbey Road.

Best wishes for a lovely, sunny weekend! I hope our Year 6 cyclists have a great time on their residential visit over the next three days. I am looking forward to seeing some photos of your active weekend at the Robin Hood Activity Centre.

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Dates for the Term Ahead

Friday 28 th June	Duathlon
Saturday 29 th June – Monday 1 st July	Bike club residential (Y6)
Tuesday 2 nd July	Y6 transition visit to Rushcliffe & Abbey Road 'Move Up Morning' (children spend the morning with their new teachers)
Wednesday 3 rd & Friday 4 th July	Year 2 residential visit to Castleton
Wednesday 3 rd July & Thursday 4 th July	Y6 performance at Rushcliffe – 7pm
Friday 5 th July	INSET
Monday 8 th July	KS1 Sports Day (pm)
Tuesday 9 th July	Annual reports to parents
Thursday 11 th July	Open Afternoon – 2.30pm to 5.00pm
Friday 12 th July	Rushcliffe Sports Day (pm) – team selected from Y2 – Y6
Tuesday 16 th July	Year 3 – Share our Learning
Wednesday 17 th and Friday 19 th July	Hicks Lodge – Bike Club visit
Wednesday 24 th July	Last day of term

