



Abbey Road News

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Dear Parents/Carers



World Book Day – The Lost Words

Thank you for sharing your time and enthusiasm during World Book Day and reading with the children in school. It was such a lovely way to start the day, with everyone engrossed in a good book and snuggled up in their PJs! We also hope you enjoyed seeing the children's 'Lost Words' work as much as they enjoyed creating it!

Marble Roller Coaster Competition

Thank you so much for supporting our marble roller coaster challenge – the number of entries and the amount of work that has gone into each design is incredible!

So far, Key Stage 1 and Lower Key Stage 2 have completed their heats and we have tested close to 60 models already! Every single roller coaster met the strict design requirements and allowed the marble to run off in a beautifully straight line. Lots of the designs saw the marble run across the entire length of the hall - without hitting the sides of the track – which was impressive indeed!

Through to our Abbey Road final so far we have...

Key Stage 1

1st Ralph (Y2)

2nd George & Oliver (Y2 & Reception)

3rd Isabelle (Y1)

Lower Key Stage 2

1st Jessica & Emie (Y4)

joint 2nd Arjun (Y4) and George, Victor & Ryan (Y4)

For Key Stage 1, Ray's design was declared the most ingenious and creative and in Years 3 & 4, Ayan and Jay took the design award.



A massive well done to everyone for taking part – we are having so much fun testing all of the designs. We are also looking forward to the Year 5 and 6 heats and the Abbey Road final tomorrow (Thursday 28th March). *(Upper Key Stage 2 heats have been moved from the original date as we have a number of Year 6 children out of school at a Trust singing event today.)*

The Equals Trust Grand Final takes place on Tuesday 16th April. Invites will be shared with our winners following the school final tomorrow.

Year 4 Football Success

A team of children from Year 4 took part in an Equals Trust football tournament last week. From the heats, Abbey Road qualified to the 'premier league' final and were awarded the trophy for finishing in first place!



It was a fabulous morning of football – the children played brilliantly as a team and showed great sportsmanship throughout.



HSA Easter Eggstravaganza!

Thanks to our HSA for organising the after-school Easter trail and games. The sun even made an appearance blessing us with some more spring-like weather!

The children's Easter egg scenes were especially creative this year and choosing the winners was tough! Chocolate prizes were awarded in Monday's assembly to children from every year group. Thank-you very much for supporting this competition and event.



Red Nose Day

Thanks to Mrs Worton and the School Council for organising our Red Nose Day fun this year. Here is a message to you from them:

*We are the School and Wellbeing Council and we wanted to tell you all about **RED NOSE DAY** 2024. This year we decided to sell Puzzle Packs. Here is some feedback from the children about the packs:*

"My friends really liked it, they enjoyed the wordsearch most."- Jessica.

"My brother liked finding out things that were red."- Spencer

"Lots of friends in my class loved the puzzle pack."- Acer

*We also encouraged the whole school to come dressed from **Red to Toe** and it was great to see everyone taking part. We want to say a huge thank you for all your kind donations and for doing something funny for money. Our grand total this year was £1086.25p. It's a record-breaking total for Abbey Road Primary School and a very worthy cause – well done everyone!*

Acer, Reuben, Kiana, Niki, Freddie, Jack, Jessica, Jorge, Spencer, Elsie.

Dinner Money – Ready Reckoner

Thinking ahead to the new year, if you like to pay up-front for school meals for the whole half term, the cost for the first half of the spring term will be £78.30 (a daily charge of £2.70).



INSET Days 2024/25

Our INSET days for 2024/25 are as follows:

- Monday 2nd September 2024
- Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- Friday 14th February 2025
- Friday 23rd May 2025
- Monday 28th July 2025
- Tuesday 29th July 2025

Governors approved an additional day for next academic year, which is a shared training day across all Equals Trust schools (Friday 14th February).

Dates for the Term Ahead (more will be added during the weeks ahead)

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| Thursday 28 th March | Upper Key Stage 2 marble roller coaster heats |
| Thursday 28 th March | Marble roller coaster school final |
| Wednesday 27 th March | <i>'Let's Sing' – Year 6 Glee Club members to join other Equals Trust Choirs at the Albert Hall, Nottingham</i> |
| Friday 29 th March – Friday 12 th April | Easter holidays |
| Monday 15 th April | Back to school |
| Tuesday 16 th April | Marble roller coaster Equals Trust final |
| Friday 19 th April | Year 1 visit to White Post Farm |
| Monday-Tuesday 22 nd /23 rd April | Class 2WP residential visit to Beaumanor Hall |
| Tuesday-Wednesday 23 rd /24 th April | Class 2ML residential visit to Beaumanor Hall |
| Monday 22 nd April | Class 3SP theatre company visit – performance at 2.50 |
| Tuesday 23 rd April | Class 3M theatre company visit – performance at 2.50 |
| Thursday 25 th April – 5.30pm | Year 6 residential – parent meeting |
| Thursday 9 th May | Digital Leaders meeting (Y6 reps) |
| Saturday 11 th & Sunday 12 th May | HSA Safari Sale (TBC) |
| w/b Monday 13 th May | Year 6 assessment week (SATs) |
| Friday 17 th May | Year 6 Mayan Day |
| Friday 17 th May | HSA cake sale |
| Thursday 23 rd May | Year 4 visit to River Trent/Gunthorpe |
| Tuesday 21 st -Friday 24 th May | Year 6 residential visit |
| | INSET day |
| Friday 7 th June | Equals Trust frisbee tournament – Y6 team |
| Thursday 13 th June | Disco – 6.15-7.15 – Reception & Key Stage 1 7.30-8.30 – Key Stage 2 |
| Monday 24 th June | Bike Club visit to Hicks Lodge |
| Friday 28 th June | HSA Summer Fair – 3.30-5.30pm |
| Tuesday 2 nd July | Y6 production at Rushcliffe Spencer Academy |
| Wednesday 3 rd July | Y6 production at Rushcliffe Spencer Academy |

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| Friday 5 th July | INSET day |
| Wednesday 10 th July | Year 6 transition visit to Rushcliffe Spencer Academy Reception – Year 5 - ‘Move up morning’ New Reception children visiting school |
| Friday 12 th July | am – Key Stage 2 ‘Potted Sports’ pm – Key Stage 2 Sports Day |
| Sunday 14 th July – Tuesday 16 th July | Year 6 Bike Club cycling residential |
| w/b Monday 15 th July | Sports/Health Week <i>There will be a range of activities linked to physical activity, health and wellbeing taking place during the week. Some are listed below.</i> |
| Monday 15 th and Tuesday 16 th July | Scooter workshops |
| Tuesday 16 th July | pm – Reception/Key Stage 1 Sports Day |
| Wednesday 17 th and Thursday 18 th July | BMX workshops |
| Thursday 4 th July | Y5 STEM day at Rushcliffe Spencer Academy |
| Friday 19 th July | pm- Equals Trust combined orchestra performance |
| Friday 26 th July | Last day of term |

Best wishes for a happy Easter break,

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