



Abbey CE VA Primary School

Newsletter for Friday 3rd March 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who came to the English Workshop on Monday. We hope you found it very informative. Thank you to our English Lead, Mrs Fraser, for delivering it. We hope to invite you to other subject workshops in the future.

Well done to our wonderful Year 1 children for their amazing assembly on Wednesday. They ...

The children in Years 2, 3 and 4 took part in an author workshop this week with Stephen Pass. He is a writer and school workshop provider who lives in Harrogate. He has written two children's books – 'Madge the Mermaid' and the sequel 'Madge the Mermaid and the Attack of the Twins'. The workshop was aimed at inspiring writing and creativity and to have a beneficial impact on the writing of children. There were plenty of fun elements, such as reciting poems and singing Madge and Alan's songs, including the 'rap' version and 'seahorse dance', which was fun and educational for all!

Congratulations to the netball team who played a great game against Bernard's Heath on Thursday. They won 6-2 and Phoebe was named as player of the match. Both teams were commended for their teamwork and their sportsmanship with each other.

Good luck to our boys' football team who are playing St Peter's today. We will announce the score in next week's newsletter.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs O'Melia

WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 2ND MARCH



It was fantastic to see how the children and staff at Abbey School were excited to dress up and bring book characters to life for this year's World Book Day.

Thank you to our parents for all your efforts with helping your child dress up and prepare their costumes and props. They looked incredible!

We held a mini competition to choose the best outfit which proved very difficult to decide.

Well done to:

**YR Florence, Y1 Ethan, Y2 Matthew,
Y3 Tully, Y4 Molly, Y5 Jude
and Y6 Kitty**



WORLD BOOK DAY IN PICTURES!





On Friday 17th March the school will be participating in Red Nose Day for Comic Relief.

Since Comic Relief began in 1985, it has helped support over 100 million people across the UK and around the world. The charity works to improve mental health, create safe places for everyone, help children to survive and thrive, and work to help people to speak out and seek help to escape fear and discrimination.

On Friday 17th March (Red Nose Day) the children may come to school dressed in red clothes (or wearing anything red) for a £1 donation.

OLD LONDON ROAD PRE-SCHOOL



CARD TRADING

There are a number of children bringing in Pokemon, football and other cards that they can trade with each other. Please can they stop bringing these into school or they will be confiscated. They are causing a disruption to children's learning, and unfortunately leading to a number of disagreements within school and some upset among our pupils.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

SAFEGUARDING



Safeguarding and Child Protection at Abbey School is everyone's responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. If you have any concerns regarding Safeguarding, please contact the school office.

Our designated Safeguarding Officers are: Mrs O'Melia (Headteacher) Mrs Fraser (Deputy Head) Mrs Crisp (SENCo) and our Safeguarding Governor is: Mrs Katie Wright.

ATTENDANCE



	Absence	Punctuality
Reception	92%	0
Year 1	97%	0
Year 2	99%	2
Year 3	95%	0
Year 4	91%	2
Year 5	97%	2
Year 6	96%	0
Total Attendance	95%	

Well done Reception, Year 4 and Year 6 on your excellent attendance!

HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

Holidays in term time will **not** be authorised. Please ensure your child is present the last day of the term and the first day of a new term.

These are checked by the Attendance Officer and they will be visiting the school this half term. *Fixed penalty notices may be enforced.*



We have several children and members of staff with severe food allergies. All packed lunches and snacks must be **nut free**. Therefore, we **do not allow** Nutella, peanut butter, or any spread or oil that contains nuts **including** sesame oil. Some cereal bars may contain nuts so please check ingredients list on all packaging before putting them in your child's lunchbox.

Thank you for your support.



Sunday 5th March – Big Spring Green event at school

Monday 6th March – SAPSMA rehearsals at St Adrian's (Choir to attend)

Wednesday 8th March – Story workshop Y1 - 3 and Shakespeare Workshop Y4 - 6

Wednesday 8th March – Girls football v Windermere

Thursday 9th March – Cross Country v Garden Fields

Friday 10th March – Boys football v Colney Heath

Saturday 11th March – Netball tournament

REACH FOR THE STARS!



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception	Florence – For joining in confidently with writing and choosing to write stories and letters using her phonics.
Year 1	Noar – For taking part so wonderfully and confidently in our Year 1 assembly.
Year 2	Alex – For having a super week and for always being so helpful. Well done for making a great effort with Maths.
Year 3	Olive – For making super contributions with verbal ideas in our English shared write.
Year 4	Kai – For always showing a brilliant attitude to learning and for working hard independently and as part of a group.
Year 5	Savannah – For having a fantastic week, working very hard and writing a super character description on World Book Day. Thank you for being engaged and focused in your learning and for being a role model to others.
Year 6	Charlotte – For composing an inspiring poem on World Book Day, and throughout the week demonstrating an outstanding attitude in all subjects.



This week's golden ticket winners are:

Charlotte and William

HOUSE POINTS

HOUSES	POINTS
MATTHEW	166
MARK	142
LUKE	169
JOHN	145



Well done to everyone who tried really hard in all your learning this week!

**Happy Birthday to:
William H, Bruce and Kai**