

Spring Term 2017 – Newsletter Number 25



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We Care – We Challenge – We Learn

Letters/Communications out this week

- Hudnall Park – Year 4
- WOW Moments - EYFS

Summer Term 2017

18 th April	Summer term starts
19 th April	5.15pm Hudnall Park Meeting for Parents/Carers
26 th April	School Health - Reception retests
27 th April	Fir Class Assembly
1 st May	Bank Holiday
3 rd May	Governor Training
3 rd May	Year 1 Intra Sports Competition
8 th – 11 th May	Year 6 SATS assessments
11 th May	Ash Class Assembly
16 th May	Attendance Officer Visit
17 th May	Governors - Finance Meeting
18 th – 19 th May	Year 4 Hudnall Park Trip
18 th May	Beech Class Assembly
24 th May	Year 5 & 6 Hampton Court Trip
24 th May	Year 2 Intra Sports Competition
24 th May	Governors - Budget Ratification
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half Term
6 th June	Year 4 Play Leader Training
7 th June	Garston Fire Service visiting Yr 6
9 th June	Sports Day KS2 AM & R/KS1 PM
12 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
13 th June	Year 4 Play Leader Training
15 th June	Cypress Class Assembly
22 nd June	Elm Class Assembly
23 rd June	Reserve Sports Day
26 th – 30 th June	Year 6 Bikeability Week
26 th June	Full Governing Body Meeting
27 th June	Windsor Castle Trip Year 1
28 th June	Transition session – new classes
29 th June	Parent Meetings for new Reception and Nursery – details to follow
5 th July	Nursery/Reception-Circus Workshop
6 th July	Apple Class Assembly
6 th July	Transition session – new classes
7 th July	New to Nursery Children to Visit
7 th July	Tri-Golf County Final – Year 4
9 th July	Summer Fayre
10 th July	Reports out to Parents/Carers
11 th July	Year 6 Evening Performance to Parents 6pm
13 th July	Transition session – new classes Secondary transfer day
12 th July	Open Evening – 5.00 - 6.30pm tbc
14 th July	FOTW Disco
21 st July	Term Ends – early finish 1.30pm

Book Fair

Thank you to all who purchased books from the Scholastic book fair last week. The school raised nearly £1000, meaning we will have a significant sum of money to purchase books for our library, guided reading sessions and class book corners!

Dear Parents/Carers,

We wish all families a restful Easter break. Thank you to all children and parents who have supported the school over the last term. A reminder that we return to school on **Tuesday 18th April**.

Music Concert

Last week we had two exciting music events. On Monday evening we had our Music Clubs Concert where all of our instrumental clubs got to perform their best pieces for their mums and dads. Our congratulations go out to all of the students who rose to the challenge and performed with such confidence and determination.



Ukulele Jam

Then on Thursday evening we had our Ukulele Jam. This is where our ukulele students get together with their families and some visiting musicians to sing and play and generally have some musical fun. Highlights included the kids taking over for Mama Mia and Ben's impressive rhythm in The Cup Song.

Pedestrian Pathway

It is worrying that a few parents are still not following the school policy about NOT using the staff car park despite numerous reminders! This week a parent told me that a car nearly reserved into her child as another parent had used the school car park.

We are currently investigating changing the layout of the driveway so that there is a clear definition for cars and pedestrians. We have had some surveyors in to support us with this and will provide you with an update when we have more news. In the meantime **parents must not drive their cars into the car park at any time!**

FOTW Smarties Challenge

Every child in school and nursery has been given a tube of Smarties this week. What we want you to do is enjoy the sweets, then between receiving the smarties and Friday 21st April pop as many 20 pence pieces into the tube as you can. When it's full, seal it up, clearly mark your child's name and class on the packet and bring it into school. If by the 21st April your tube isn't quite full, then please send it in anyway. When you return your tube you will be entered into a draw to win a family prize. All the money raised will be going towards IT provisions in the school.

Abbots Langley Carnival Prince & Princess

Abbots Langley Community Centre are taking over the Carnival Queen competition at the Abbots Langley Carnival, taking place on Saturday 10th June. For many youngsters in the village, this is one of the main highlights of the Parade, catching a glimpse of the young girl who has been crowned 'Carnival Queen'. This year we are giving local primary school children (from reception to year 6) the opportunity to enter, with our search for a 'Prince & Princess of the Parade'. Parents can apply, by downloading an application form on our website at <http://www.abbotslangleycommunitycentre.co.uk> or visiting our facebook page: @AbbotsLangleyCommunityCentre.

The competition winners will get the chance to ride in a horse and carriage, be crowned Prince and Princess of the carnival and win a free party booking at the community centre.

Attendance for the Week

Class	Red Less than 95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Apple	56.7		
Ash			98.0
Beech		95.3	
Cypress			96.3
Elm	92.0		
Fir			97.3
Holly			98.7
Juniper	94.5		
Larch	94.7		
Maple	89.0		
Oak			98.0
Pine		95.6	
Rowan			97.0
Spruce			99.1
Willow			98.3

Well done to the 8 classes with excellent attendance.

Red Nose Day

Our sale of red noses raised £320 for charity last week. Thank you for your donations. Look out for the clip of the dance performed by the staff on our blog!

Hudnall Park Meeting

There will be a meeting for all parents with children going to Hudnall Park at 5.15pm on Wednesday 19th April. Please put the date in your diary as the meeting will inform you of important information regarding the trip.

Abbots Langley Carnival

It's approaching Carnival Time and this year's theme for the Year 2 float entry is Roald Dahl, inspiring young readers. Please look out for a fun art and craft activity in your child's book bag for the Easter break.

These will all contribute to making the float a winning entry. Year 2 parents would also appreciate it if you could set aside the following recycling materials over the Easter break:

- colourful foil
- sweet wrappers
- kitchen roll/toilet roll
- cardboard, bubble wrap
- egg cartons
- bottle tops
- paint and glue donations
- fabric donations

Year 2 parents will be collecting these in designated bins in the school playground on Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th April and thereafter every Tuesday and Thursday until we have sufficient materials.

They will also be asking for any voluntary monetary donations to cover the expense of the float – a suggested donation of £1 per child would be greatly appreciated.

The Branching Out Club

A coffee morning for parents with children with additional needs was held at school on 22/3/17. This was an opportunity for parents to meet each other and discuss issues with the SEND staff, Mrs Leonard and Mrs Thomas and our school SEND Governor, Paul Fuller. There was a really useful discussion between parents and staff regarding improved communication, SEND support plans, homework, additional intervention related work and the possibility of inviting outside agencies to address the group. These coffee mornings will take place each term for parents of SEND children
Next Coffee morning: 7 June 2017, 9am.