

# hello SUMMER



## Abbots Green Newsletter — June 2023

This month at Abbots Green it has been great to be outdoors as we fully immerse ourselves in some of the traditions of our Summer Term.

From Sports Days, trips to looking forwards, it is impossible not to be swept along with the fun and memory making that happens during this time of year.

At Abbots Green we always describe this half term as the 'nearly' half term!

This is not for the reason that we're 'nearly' at the Summer break, but the whole school aspirations of looking forward to being 'nearly' in the next year group. In particular, we focus on the roles and responsibilities that the children have in each year group.

Our Year 6 Sports Leaders have been especially proud to pass on their Sports Leader caps to our current Year 5. It's a pleasure to see our pupils rise to the challenge of leading younger members of school during lunchtimes and sporting events.



For those year groups who have already attended sports day events, I have no doubt that the Sports Leaders will have been identified as being inspirational young leaders. As they work alongside Mr Newson to support, motivate and inspire children to be active together across our school, as one child said 'I wish we would keep our Sports Leaders hats as we go to secondary school' it really does show the status that it deserves.

As well as sports activities outside, our Reception pupils have been working incredibly hard to take responsibility for the Reception Outdoor area. From vegetables, to planters, to our very own Abbots Green scarecrow now known as Sydney! The ownership that our very youngest pupils have had as they have transformed our outdoor area is a great credit to the team and will be visited by 'Bury in Bloom' later this month. Please take a few minutes at the beginning or end of each day to admire the great Abbots 'Green fingered' effort.



Before



After



As we 'nearly' find ourselves at the end of term, I am keen to recognise the ongoing commitment from all our AG staff who continue to work collaboratively with great energy and enthusiasm in ensuring we shine whatever the weather!

A few photographs from our amazing sports week—well done for organising Mr Newson!



## Additional updates

### **School start time**

We continue to have several complaints daily about the conduct of our Year 5 and 6 pupils before school outside of the school gates. In order to keep our children safe, any child who arrives at school before 8.20am will be welcomed into school to walk the daily mile. To then ensure parents know that their child has arrived safely, a text will be sent with the subject 'Too Early'. Children should be arriving at 8.25am. Please do remind your child that if they come to school independently they must behave responsibly.

### **PD day Reminder**

Next Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 is a PD day. This means that school will be closed due to staff training.

### **Class arrangements 2023**

This week we have shared plans for our classroom arrangements for Autumn 2023. We very much look forward to sharing our plans for mixed Year 1/2 classes with parents in these year groups at 5pm on Wednesday 5th July 2023.

### **Transition Days**

This year all pupils will be moving into their new classes on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023. This is an opportunity for pupils to experience time in their new class with their new teachers. All children will find out who their new teacher is on 13th July 2023.

### **School Reports**

We look forward to sharing your child's annual school report on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Separated parents will receive reports via the post.

### **&iLearn**

From September we will be taking our curriculum to the next level. Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 who already use iPads in school will be given the opportunity to take them home each day. More information to follow.

### **Friends Of Abbots Green**

Thanks to FOAG for continuing to fundraise this term. June has brought us a record breaking total of over £700 for our latest Non-Uniform day!

### **Bingo Books**

Congratulations to Arthur and Elsie in Year 6 and Beauden and Sophia in Year 1 who have been our first pupils to fully complete the bingo book challenge. What a fantastic achievement!!

### **Abbots Green Netball Team**

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 netballers who qualified for the County Championship Finals this week. Competing against all schools across the county, Abbots Green came 8th place! This is a commendable achievement but more importantly a reflection of our Rainbow values.

