



ABBOTS FARM INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER -19th January 2018

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We've been back a fortnight and the children have been really busy with their learning. Our new children have settled in well and we have lots to look forward to this term.

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Congratulations Crickets for the award last week gaining 100% attendance.



OUR STAR PUPILS THIS WEEK

Ladybirds:

Jaiden for trying really hard in phonics.

Butterflies:

Alayna for the improvement in her reading.

Fireflies:

Leo H for his enthusiasm when learning about the Victorians.

Dragonflies:

Eliza for always trying her best.

Crickets:

Oliver for his excellent mental calculations of 10 more and 10 less.

Well done!

PARENTS EVENINGS

There will be an opportunity to look at your children's books and discuss their progress with their class teacher this term. They will be in the hall with an opportunity to have a tea or coffee. Our parents' evenings will be on Monday 12th February and Wednesday 14th February. We will send a text once appointments go live on Agora.



BEDTIME STORIES



On Tuesday 30th January from 6 – 6:30pm all children including Preschool are invited to come back to school in their pyjamas for a bedtime story and hot chocolate. Please return the slip on the original letter or let the office know so we can cater for the children. Refreshments will be available in the hall for parents.

AFF QUIZ



On Friday 9th February we will be hosting our AFF Quiz from 7pm -9pm. Quiz teams can be of up to 6 people and we charge £2 per team member. There will be a cash prize for the winning team. Bar service is available for refreshments and we will also be holding a raffle. To register a team contact the office.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Class assemblies will start at 9:05.

Fireflies – Thursday 25th January

Crickets – Thursday 1st February

Dragonflies – Thursday 1st March

Butterflies – Thursday 15th March

Ladybirds – Thursday 22nd March

GOVERNOR VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy on our governing body. If you have the time and are interested in supporting our school to go from strength to strength, please fill out an application form and return it to the school office by 26th January. Application forms can be collected from the office or downloaded following this link: <http://abbotsfarm-inf.org/images/Application%20Form%20for%20School%20%20Governors%20AFI.pdf>

PANCAKE RACES

On Tuesday 13th February we will be holding pancake races. The children will need to bring a pancake and frying pan labelled with their name. We will be starting with Preschool at 9:00. If your child is not in session and would like to take part you are more than welcome to bring them for the race. Reception will follow, then year 1 and finally year 2.

We will try to group children who can't have their photographs taken together but can I request that you don't post pictures on social media unless they are just of your child.

LATENESS

Our doors open at 8:45 and registration starts at 8:55. Pupils arriving after the classroom doors have been closed must enter the school via the Reception and School Office and parents required to complete the late book giving reasons for lateness. Pupils arriving after the register has been closed at 8.55 am, will be marked with an authorised late mark. Pupils arriving after 9.25 am will be recorded as an unauthorised absence unless a satisfactory reason is given, for example a doctor's appointment.

I will be arranging meetings over the coming weeks with parents of children who are persistently late. If I feel that the issue isn't being addressed I will forward it to Warwickshire County Council who will issue fines to parents of children who have been late more than 10 times in a term.

DIARY UPDATE

Dates subject to change

January:

25th – Fireflies Assembly
30th – Bedtime Stories 6 - 6:30pm

February:

1st – Crickets Assembly
7th – Preschool Coffee Morning
8th – Yr 2 Road Safety Workshop
- Yr 1 visit to St John's Museum
9th – AFF Quiz Night 7-9pm
12th – Parents Evening
13th - Pancake Races
14th – Reception Vision Screening
- Parents Evening
15th - Chinese New Year Celebrations

Half term: 19th – 23rd February

March

1st – World Book Day
- Dragonflies Assembly
5th – Year 1 cake sale
8th – Preschool Number workshop
9th – Fire Service visiting year 1
15th – Butterflies Assembly
16th – AFF Family Magic Show 6:30-8:30pm
22nd – Ladybirds assembly
26th – Federation Music Event
29th – Easter Service at St John's

Easter Holiday: 30th March – 13th April

PRESCHOOL COFFEE MORNING

On Wednesday 7th February from 9-10am in the hall Preschool will be hosting a coffee morning. This will provide you with the opportunity to look at your child's learning journal with them and make a contribution to it.

