

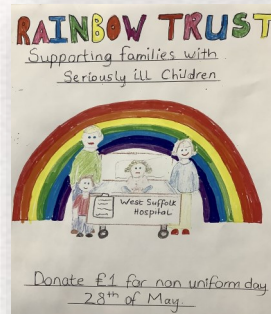
What's been happening at ABBOTS GREEN ACADEMY — May 2021

.... and relax!

With sunshine ahead of us this weekend, this is a great reflection of an incredible month back at Abbots Green.

As we enter the half term break in non-uniform, this reminds us of our school commitment to the Rainbow Trust which is our chosen nominated charity, as we aspire to become a Rights and Respecting School. More information of this can be found at <https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/>

As I begin to reflect on the month of May, we have achieved so much as we continue to move towards a level of normality. The buzz this month has certainly come from the grand opening of our Scrapstore!



As the name suggests this is a store full of scrap that is replenished each term. Children have free access to equipment that will inspire imaginative, interactive play. With items such as mobility frames, suitcases, guttering and even dressing up clothes, it has been a genuine pleasure to see our pupils playing creatively in collaboration with one another. Creations have included airport check in's, taxi services or simply dressing up in hats, and flamboyant clothing!

Transformations continue to develop inside of school. This week we have had our new library carpet laid and work benches fitted for online reading opportunities. Whilst this seems such a small thing, our new reading space is something that our children and staff continue to be proud of. Next half term we look forward to planning a grand opening to share with all our pupils.

With the 21st June ahead of us, we will begin to think about how to continue to create our own road to recovery in school. Next half term, we look forward to introducing some of our year groups back into the hall for lunch and even holding assemblies in creative ways to remain in communication together. This week in our assemblies, we have reflected on our class countries and recognised that we remain together as the Abbots Green Globe, and as one child rightly said 'We might be in our bubbles but our rainbow values keep us strong together'. I could not agree more!



I very much look forward to our final half term as we prepare for new beginnings in September. With so many exciting opportunities ahead of us please do rest well over the half term break, enjoy the sunshine at a slower pace and most importantly stay safe!

Happy Half term!

Mrs Morrison

As always, if you have any questions or queries, please either catch Mrs Morrison before school or make an appointment via the School Office.

Reminders - Take 5 to find out more....

Important Reminder

May we remind you that if you have children in different year groups, you will need to drop off/collect your first child then leave school via the normal exit route and re-queue for your next child's year group. To prevent overcrowding on the school site we cannot have parents waiting on the school playground. This may mean two trips around the school site, however, this is something we must request that you adhere to.



After School Multi-Skills Club

It has been great to see our clubs begin to ignite this half term. Additional Block 2 places are still available by booking through ParentMail. Thank you to Mr Newson for keeping us active every day!

Summer Holiday clubs

We have a few Summer Holiday Club places available for our Sports and Musical camps. If this is of interest please book through ParentMail by 9am Friday 11th June 2021. Confirmation of places will then be sent out after this deadline.

Year 4

We cannot wait to support the Year 4's with walking home from school independently from next half term. Thank you to those parents who have replied with their permission by the deadline of Wednesday 26th May.

Reports - save the date!

Reports will be sent home on the following dates:

Nursery – 14th July 2021, Year R – 9th July 2021, Year 1 – 14th July 2021, Year 2 – 2nd July 2021, Year 3 – 2nd July 2021, Year 4 – 9th July 2021, Year 5 – 2nd July 2021 and Year 6 – 9th July 2021.

Contacting school over the half term break

Please refer to the ParentMail sent today for further information about what to do in the event of a positive COVID result over half term.



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Welcome back

After half term we look forward to welcoming back Miss Hammond from maternity leave to join the Year 5 team.

Baby news!

We are thrilled to share with you that Miss Loane (Mexico class) Mrs Brill (Brazil class) and Miss Sara Hoptroff (Maple Room) are all expecting babies!

Parents forum

Our Parents forum will be meeting again on Tuesday 15th June 2021 at 6pm to discuss current issues and obtain parent feedback. Agenda and Zoom invite to follow after half term.

The Big Toddle

Coming soon in June, our Evergreen pupils will be taking part in The Big Toddle which is a Sponsored walk for under 5's. We could not be prouder of our younger pupils who are coming together to show their active rainbow values!

Tweet all about it!

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter (@abbotsgreen) for further up to date headlines and proud moments as we showcase our Abbots Green vision and values.

FOAG Second-hand Uniform Donations

A donation trolley will be outside the school office every Friday or you can email Aguni-formseconds@hotmail.com where an alternative collection can be arranged.

Wrap Around Care Booking System

Thank you to all of the parents who have booked their children into wrap around care clubs via the new booking system by the deadline of 9am today. We appreciate your patience with the introduction of this new system and are confident of the flexibility this will offer working parents.

Class emails

As we look forward to the new normal, class email addresses will no longer be in use. All communication must now come through office@abbotsgreenacademy.co.uk. We look forward to updating you with new office procedures when we are back after the half term break.



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