



What's been happening at ABBOTS GREEN ACADEMY—FEBRUARY 2020



What a start to the week! It has been great to see so many familiar faces in school this week attending parents evening. As a teaching team we are extremely proud of how resilient and positive our children are becoming, especially as many year groups have faced tests this month. We do believe that this puts our children in good stead for tests in the future and ensures they have the correct mind set to reach their potential.

We might be in the middle of a cold snap but that certainly has not stopped us from spending time outside! We have been extremely proud of our sporting highlights this month, especially our KS2 children who have been representing the school in Tag Rugby events. Our Year 3 & 4 children came a very close second, by only one try! Great teamwork was displayed by all involved. Our Year 5 & 6 children had a warmer indoor experience at Sports Hall Athletics and managed 4th place. Their willingness to try new events was inspiring. They were also proud to be complimented on their support for children from other schools. Our children continue to be recognised frequently for their excellent sportsmanship and commitment to supporting one another. Go Abbots Green!

It has been great this week, to see our Year 5 children taking part in their Bikability training; this is a recognised programme that develops children's confidence to ride their bikes on the road safely. One child said 'I think I am now safer on the road than I am on the pavement!'

As we continue to embrace the builders, we are now really starting to see the benefits of our exciting expansion project. Not only is the hall close to completion, but we now have the addition of several trees on our playing field, to be explored by us all. Our Reception children could not believe it this week, as they stomped outside for their regular Welly Wednesday, 'Where has the forest come from?' they asked.

With the cold snap, comes wafts of many descriptions! Whether it is our Year 3 building fires as part of their forest schools, Sunsetters tossing pancakes, or Early Years tasting Chinese food.

February might be a short month, but it continues to be an action packed month at Abbots Green.

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Information for Parents/Carers

World Book Day (Thursday 5th March)

Do not forget to come to school with a book and dressed up as character from a chosen book. Come and join your child to share a book from:

KS1: 3 -3:20 Come into school through the KS2 gate and sign in and out in classrooms.

KS2: 9 - 9.30- Come into school through the courtyard and sign in and out in classrooms.

Evergreen Nursery

We are on the move! Our Nursery children will be moving to the new nursery building from Monday 23rd March. This now means that we have additional hours available from 7:45-6pm each day. Please contact the school office if you would like to join the Evergreen Nursery. More details will follow concerning the Grand Opening and drop in morning.

Fundraising

Thanks again to Year 5 children for raising over £390 for the Australian Bushfires, A great celebration of our nurturing, open minded rainbow values!

Staffing

Welcome to Mr Bailey who has joined our Site Team and will be in the playground after school to ensure that our gates are locked by 3:45pm to keep us safe! This month we will be saying goodbye to Mrs King in Bluebells class - we would like to thank Mrs King for all her hard work and dedication to our youngest pupils. Good Luck to Mrs Worley who will be starting her maternity leave next month, we cannot wait to share exciting news of her arrival.

Save the Date

Sports Day – Friday 19th June (Reserve day Friday 26th June)
Sports Relief- Friday 13th March, details to follow next week
The Abbots Green Citizen Award– Friday 27th March—
Invitations have been sent to individual parents to celebrate pupils that have shown great citizenship this term. This will be a regular termly event.
Parents Forum- Please do come and join us on Thursday 12th March (2.30pm & 6pm) to share your opinions and views on current school issues.

Attendance

February attendance was 97.08%. This is excellent!! There has only been one month this academic year where our attendance has dropped below our target of 97%. Let's keep it up.

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