



What an incredible first half term!

As we launched our new year with a commitment to wearing our school badge with pride - this half term has absolutely shown just that.

As a school that 'never sits still', it has been great to start the year with so many sporting highlights. To have our pupils represent the school in cross country events and football already- the feedback has been clear. As Mr Newson reported, many schools took the time to share their admiration for our pupils sportsmanship, fairness and energetic play! This must be recognised as well as the opportunities that our children embrace each day.



Our passion for Abbots Green does not stop on the sports pitch, but also in the community too. It has been fantastic to watch our Year 6 historians visit



Duxford Imperial War Museum to further their understanding of World War 2. From exploring land warfare, boarding the infamous Concorde to huddling in an Anderson shelter, pupils became completely immersed in their learning and could not believe the sight of a Hurricane in flight. The sound of the engine as the plane started will stay with our pupils forever 'it was like a roar in my belly!'



From rations to a Greek banquet! Our Year 5 pupils this week have been proud to participate in an ancient Greek day. To be met by our Greek Year 5's and even a Medusa- our pupils have been able to apply their Greek knowledge to Greek cookery, pot making and even a Greek Olympics To be told 'this is the best day ever whilst munching flatbread and even olives- shows how much our 'real life learning' brings to our pupils.



As we look forward to resting this half term and recharging for an action packed term

ahead- the growing minds of our Reception pupils must be shared.

Following exposure to a text 'No money day' our youngest pupils have shown their awareness of our Rainbow Values. Pupils worked collaboratively to create a 'rainbow' food parcel for a local foodbank, showing their awareness of difference but more importantly the appreciation and kindness towards we have towards the community. With half term here, a change in clocks and even the temperature, one thing that never changes is our whole school commitment to our shared experiences and pride that we all share.



Happy Autumnal half term



Sunsetters

Please be aware that we're currently experience staff shortages in our Sunsetter and Sunriser provision. As we look to secure recruitment next month, please be reassured that our spaces will expand again in due course. Please do contact the school office to discuss flexibility and support as required.

Abbots Green Team

This term we have appointed Mrs Hughes to continue the fantastic work of Mrs Warren when she starts her maternity leave in the Spring term. We're confident that with Mrs Hughes joining our leadership team this will support a smooth transition to be able to support our children with additional needs. We will now be reviewing our teaching team to ensure that we can recruit a member of staff to cover Mrs Hughes in her new role.

Shorts

As we reach Autumn half term, please respect the Uniform Policy. Shorts are no longer acceptable school uniform until after Easter.

Shoe Box Appeal

This week in assembly we have launched Operation Christmas child. Please feel free to get involved by either bringing in an item to support our class shoeboxes or even creating your own. Details on equipment can be found at [How to Pack a Shoebox - no follow | Samaritans Purse.](#)

As a school, our Changemakers will be wrapping and preparing our shoeboxes for delivery. We will be having a class competition to see which class can collect the most shoe boxes. Please ensure all shoe boxes are brought to school by Friday 15th November.

Anti Bullying week

After half term we will be joining together to share the importance of Anti bullying week. As an Abbots Green tradition this is recognised by wearing odd socks for the week! Mrs Morrison will be launching this in assembly on Tuesday 12th November.

Children in Need

Children in Need is on Friday 15th November. We welcome children to wear non school uniform or Pudsey merchandise. A minimum donation can be given on Arbor.



Parents Evening

We look forward to welcoming parents to our first parents evening of the year. It has been great to see so many families sign up using our new Arbor app. Please enter the school through the back of the hall doors (via the carpark).

Festive Fridge Flyer

Please see our updated Fridge Flyer with the most up to date information on the half term ahead.

<https://www.abbotsgreenacademy.co.uk/files/resources/festive-flyer-2024.pdf>

Take 5

Belonging at Abbots Green- Each newsletter, we will share a new feature titled 'With integrity we belong'.

This will be celebrated sharing the 'pride in a nut shell' that we see each day through 5 photographs. For further moments such as these feel free to follow us on Instagram

