



## Attendance

*This week's attendance figures show that we have had another good week of attendance here at Abbey Mead. The table below shows attendance Monday to Thursday*

Class	Average(%)
1FI	95.87
1PP	94.76
1SH	99.14
2EB	94.44
2NF	95.73
2SP	100.00
3AA	99.17
3IB	99.16
3SR	95.49
4JA/GH	99.14
4KO	97.08
4KR	96.67
5CC/CH	97.46
5HF	100.00
5MB	99.58
6NK	94.17
6RT/SC	99.17
6ZE	98.75
FMC/CR	99.58
FOL	95.87
FZM	97.50

*Well done to 2SP who are our KS1 winners this week and 5HF who are our KS2 attendance winners this week!*



## Introductory Sessions

In the coming weeks, we look forward to welcoming all parents into school for an introductory session to your child's year group. The introductory sessions will take place on:

Foundation Stage 1— Wednesday 13th September @ 10.50 am & 2.50 pm

Foundation Stage 2— Tuesday 12th September @2.45 pm

Year 1— Thursday 21st September @ 2.45 pm

Year 2— Tuesday 19th September @ 2.45 pm

Year 3— Monday 11th September @ 2.45 pm

Year 4—Monday 18th September @ 2.45 pm

Year 5— Thursday 14th September @ 2.45 pm

Year 6— Wednesday 20th September @ 2.45 pm

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We are looking forward to a positive year ahead of good attendance here at Abbey Mead. Last year, we finished with the 3rd highest attendance percentage of any primary school in the city. This is something we wish to build on to ensure our children do not miss out on their learning.

Regular attendance at school supports children in both their learning and character development. Children must attend school each day to make the most of their educational experiences.

Sadly, holidays during term time continue to impact the learning and progress of a number of pupils. As per our policy, holidays will continue to be declined. We ask that all absence is reported to the school office each morning so to ensure children are safe and their location is known.

### Holidays abroad

We remind parents that any holidays should be arranged and taken outside of school time. There are 13 weeks of holiday a year where parents can travel abroad. We must put our children's education first!





## School Dinners

Our daily menu will be available to view on Bromcom so please make sure you have registered for this. All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to free school dinners as part of the Universal Infant Free School Meals. This will save parents £10 per week if your child has lunches at school. This also applies for families who receive pupil premium funding. **Children in Year 3 will need to pay for school dinners.**

**If you would like to apply or to find out more about free school meals or Pupil Premium, please call the school office  
0116 266 1809**

We are aware that last year, due to supply issues, daily menus had to change due to a lack of ingredients. We have discussed this with our caterers and are hopeful menu changes will be minimal!

## Online Safety

Online safety simply refers to the act of staying safe online. It is also commonly known as internet safety, e-safety and cyber safety. It encompasses all technological devices which have access to the internet from PCs and laptops to smartphones and tablets.

Being safe online means individuals are protecting themselves and others from online harms and risks which may jeopardise their personal information, lead to unsafe communications or even effect their mental health and wellbeing.

Operating within an online space is something most of us simply do without thinking, but have you ever stopped to consider the potential dangers which exist on the web, especially for our children?

The recent Ofcom 'Children and Parents: media use and attitudes report 2019' found that children are more engaged online than they've ever been. Ownership of smart devices is increasing and the range of content they are viewing is expanding.

In an ever-changing world, ensuring children's safety online has never been more important. It's something that everyone must be aware of and watch out for.

## School Communication

Over the past year, our electronic communication has grown significantly with our parents. We will continue to use a range of methods to ensure we get information out to parents as quickly as possible. In order to ensure information is accessible, we will continue to send updates to parents through our Twitter account (if you are unaware, Twitter has now changed to the name X) (@AbbeyMead\_TMET) and through our Bromcom app.

If you have not yet registered for Bromcom, please email [office@abbey-tmet.uk](mailto:office@abbey-tmet.uk) for a registration code. We regularly send messages and upload photos of what children have been doing in school, so don't miss out!





## Upcoming Dates

- Year Group Curriculum letters sent home— **Friday 8th / 15th September**
- Jeans for Genes Day (£1 donation)—**Friday 22nd September**
- Parents' Evenings Discussions—**Tuesday 10th October & Wednesday 11th October**—Further details will be sent home in the coming weeks
- School closes for half-term break - **Thursday 12th October**
- School closed for INSET Day—**Friday 13th October**
- School opens for Autumn term—**Monday 23rd October**

## Secondary School Applications

**Year 6 children moving to secondary school from Autumn 2024**

**Closing date for applying – 31st October 2023**

Online applications for secondary schools opened on Monday 4th September. Each child in Year 6 will receive an individually addressed envelope containing a letter about the admission process.

For more information or to make an application, please visit the Leicester City Council Website: <https://www.leicester.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-and-colleges/school-admissions/>

If you have children in year 6 and require support with making an application, please contact the main office who will be willing to support you with this. Please do not leave it too late to make an application as late applications could mean that your child does not get their first choice of secondary school.

We are very blessed to already have several wonderful secondary schools within our Trust across Leicester city that share our vision and passion for excellence.

Further details for all of our secondary schools and their open events can be found on their websites



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[www.castle-tmet.uk](http://www.castle-tmet.uk)



[www.orchard-tmet.uk](http://www.orchard-tmet.uk)



[www.brook-tmet.uk](http://www.brook-tmet.uk)





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## Abbey News @AbbeyMead\_TMET

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**Miss Patel** @MissPatel\_AMPA · 1h

Our daily calculations are in full wing. We have been using lots of concrete resources to help us work out tricky number sentences!  
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**Mrs Ikram** @MrsIkram\_AMPA · 13h

Our lunch time helpers have been looking after our Edible Gardens. Today we were busy weeding, watering and we harvested a yellow courgette. Our kitchen staff will add it into our school dinner tomorrow 🥒🌱🍅  
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**Rachel**@AMPA @Rachelloumartin · 14h

[@AbbeyMead\\_TMET](#) Snack Shack is back 🍌  
Children were once again able to purchase healthy break time s  
Frozen yoghurts have been the favorite this week as the weather so hot ☀️  
Our new year 3s will get to shop for the 1st time tomorrow 😊



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**Miss Kaur** @MissKaurNK · 18h

Over a series of lessons, children have practised shading techniques, patterns and facial features using graded pencils building up to creating a self-portrait in the style of Chuck Close 🖌️ thanks for a great unit of artwork [@RubyNagra02](#) [@AbbeyMead\\_TMET](#) [@MissPatel\\_AMPA](#)



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**Miss Ingham** @MissIngham\_AMPA · 21h

1FI have been working hard on their self portraits this morning! Watch this space for the final results 🎨👧👦

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**Miss Resch** @MissResch\_ · Sep 7

Year 3 enjoyed using the school grounds for their maths lesson the other day. We drew number lines to 100 with different start and end points before estimating where different numbers would go on our number lines.  
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