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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	90.42
1PP	97.98
1SH	99.17
2EB	99.19
2NF	95.04
2SP	96.67
3AA	98.75
3IB	97.50
3SR	95.20
4JA/GH	95.83
4KO	97.50
4KR	96.98
5CC/CH	95.83
5HF	95.97
5MB	98.33
6NK	98.71
6RT/SC	97.84
6ZE	96.67
FMC/CR	93.75
FOL	87.30
FZM	93.33

Well done to 2EB who are our KS1 winners this week and 6NK who are our KS2 attendance winners this week!



Universal Infant Free School Meals

Universal Infant Free School Meals are offered to all children from Reception – Year 2. This initiative has been developed with the purpose of aiding children's development, supporting academic performance, and improving levels of healthy eating.

Thursday 5th October 2023

All children in Reception and Key Stage 1 will be served a special menu.

This menu will also be available for children in Key Stage 2 at the cost of £2.00 per child. Please pay via MCAS

The children will be offered a choice of

English vegetarian (Pizza, Garlic Bread & Potato Wedges & Ice cream)

Indian vegetarian (Moong Bean Curry with Rice or Chapati & Ice cream)

Harvest

Harvest is celebrated to give thanks for the crops, which have been safely harvested. People also collect food for a Harvest collection. This food is passed onto families who are struggling to get food. The harvest season falls at different times of the year depending upon region, climate, and crop, but festivals celebrating its arrival are held throughout the world. This year, we are collecting food items to support individuals and families in need within our community.

Please send donations with your child or bring them to the school office from Monday 2nd October. Please send food items that can be stored in a cupboard (please make sure all foods are in date)

Suitable items include:

Tinned foods

Pasta

Rice

- Cereals
- Packets

Dry food



We know that times are tough at the moment, so please only donate if you are able to. You do not have to donate lots of items, but every donation you do give will be given to those in our local community who need it the most.



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Annual Flu Vaccination

All children from reception to year 11 are being offered the flu vaccination in school as part of the national vaccination programme. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and make some people seriously ill. The vaccination is **free, safe and effective**. It helps to protects against seasonal flu and serious complications such as bronchitis, ear infections and pneumonia – and will also help to prevent the spread of flu and protect others who are vulnerable. There are two different types of vaccine available:

Nasal spray flu vaccine

Offers the best protection against flu. It is given as a spray squirted up each nostril. It's quick and painless.

For some children the nasal spray is not suitable for medical reasons. Our team will review the medical information submitted before offering the flu vaccine injection.

The nasal vaccine contains traces of a highly processed form of porcine gelatine.

Flu vaccine injection

The injection is given into the muscle in the upper arm, which may cause soreness.

This vaccine is offered as an alternative if the nasal spray is not suitable due to medical reasons.

This vaccine does not contain porcine gelatine.

To find out more, visit: tiny.cc/fluvaccination

For primary school age children, we will only give your child the flu vaccination if we have your consent. Please do this as soon as possible, using the instructions below. You only need to submit your decision **once**.

Sponsored Walk - Friday 6th October

Our student Library team are collaborating with the staff Reading Team to organise a sponsored walk event involving the whole school. Currently, the school library is limited on its resources and there are too many empty shelves that desperately need filling.

The sponsored walk, taking place on Friday 6th October, will give each child the opportunity to participate and we would love them to dress up as their favourite book character. This can be any character they want from The Hungry Caterpillar to Harry Potter, the only thing we ask is that it is from a book they have enjoyed. Please don't spend unnecessary money, homemade costumes are always the best, a homemade hat out of cardboard works just as well!

Please speak to a member of staff if you want ideas on how to make costumes at home. You will find lots of ideas on the internet too! It will be a great opportunity for parents and children to get creative!

We are looking forward to seeing some wonderful book characters!



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Upcoming Dates

- Parents' Evenings Discussions—Tuesday 10th October & Wednesday 11th October
- Sponsored Walk for Library books—Friday 6th October
- Year 3 Stone Age Workshop—Friday 6th October
- School closes for half-term break Thursday 12th October
- School closed for INSET Day-Friday 13th October
- Half term Holiday—Monday 16th—Friday 20th October
- School opens for Autumn term—Monday 23rd October
- Year 5 visit to Leicester Museum—Tuesday 24th October
- Flu Vaccination—Monday 4th December
- School closes for Christmas Holiday—Thursday 21st December

Online Safety

Online Videos:

Online videos can be pre-recorded (like YouTube) or 'livestreamed' in real time (using apps like Twitch, or social media platforms like Instagram and Facebook).

YouTube is the biggest and most widely used video service. Over 400 hours of video are uploaded to YouTube every minute, so there is lots of great content that children can view. Of course, there is also inappropriate content, and parents have a couple of options to control what children can watch. **YouTube Kids** is an app-based approach, available for both Android and Apple iOS devices. Aimed at younger users, it uses a mix of Google filters (who own YouTube), reviews by moderation teams, and feedback from parents to make sure that the videos available are suitable for those under 18.

For older children, or those who use a wider range of devices, **YouTube Restricted Mode** is an additional setting which can be enabled on the YouTube website and app. If enabled, it restricts the availability of potentially mature or inappropriate content.



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Miss Kaur @MissKaurNK · 12h Children were extremely respectful when handling special Sikh objects in

our R.E lesson. Some of our learners, who are Sikh, were able to explain what the objects and symbols were to the rest of the class 🕸 @AbbeyMead_TMET



Mrs Barratt (Miss Thompson) @MrsBarratt_AMPA · 19h ... 2EB have been *#estimating* numbers on a number line in maths this week. They used a mini number line to 'zoom in' to help them think about where the ones would go between the tens @AbbeyMead TMET #abbeymaths #primarymaths



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Mr Alkhlaif @AlkhlaifMr · Sep 27

In History this week, year 3 have been learning about the Iron Age: what was it? when was it? and how was life like during that time? Did you know that Iron people lived in hill forts to keep safe from attacks.



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Abbey Mead Primary Academy @AbbeyMead_TMET · 17h Abbey Mead pupils had a wonderful afternoon at the @TMETrust Badminton Event. It was a great opportunity to meet pupils from all TMET primaries and see the incredible facilities at @CastleMeadAcad <a> Thank you to Mrs Chudasama for organising the event 😃



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