



Newsletter 17th July 2026

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Responsibility
Empathy
Sense of Pride
Perseverance
Enthusiasm
Curiosity
Teamwork

Abbotswood Champion Term 6



Reminder

All children except our new Reception children
return to school on Wednesday 2nd September
2026

Have a great summer!

Safeguarding

Over the extended break from school, please remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about any child, please call the Access and Response Team (ART) at South Glos on 01454 867777. You can report concerns anonymously if needed. Thank you.

Attendance

Target
96%

Last Week
90.6%

This Week
94.3%

A Message from the Head

Dear Parents & Carers,

Wow, this year has gone fast!

It's certainly been a busy year at Abbotswood. Miss James, Miss Dwyer, Mrs Mehta-Jolliffe and Mr Edwards have all become parents, we introduced OPAL and transformed our lunchtimes into even more exciting and enjoyable experiences, and we found out yesterday that Year 6 absolutely smashed their SATs. It feels as though we battled apocalyptic rain earlier in the year only to end up with this incredible heatwave - life at Abbotswood is certainly never boring!

Looking ahead to next year, I'm delighted to share that you'll be seeing much more of Mr Cockle. He has decided to make Abbotswood his full-time home, so he'll be with us every day from September. I know many of you already know and value him, and we're thrilled that he'll be an even bigger part of our school community.

To our wonderful Year 6 pupils, thank you for everything you have brought to Abbotswood. You have been fantastic role models for our younger children and have made us incredibly proud. As you move on to the next exciting chapter of your education, we wish you every success and happiness. We know you'll continue to shine, and we hope you'll always remember that you'll always be part of the Abbotswood family.

As well as saying goodbye to our Year 6 pupils, we also say farewell to Mrs Walbridge, who has been an invaluable member of the Year 6 team for the past three years. She is embarking on an exciting new adventure to become a teacher, and we wish her every success and happiness for the future.

At the same time, we're delighted to be welcoming five new members of staff in September. Miss Heavens will be joining the Year 6 team, while Mrs Turner, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Coombs and Mrs Kislingbury will all be supporting our Reception classes. We look forward to welcoming them to the

Abbotswood family.

Finally, I'd like to thank all of our parents and carers for your continued support throughout the year. Working together makes such a difference, and we are incredibly grateful for everything you do to support the school and your children.

I hope you all have a wonderful, restful summer break, with plenty of opportunities to relax, make memories and enjoy time together. Whilst we're all looking forward to a well-earned rest, we're already excited about welcoming everyone back in September for another fantastic year at Abbotswood.

Have a brilliant summer, and we'll see you all soon!

INSET DAYS 2026/2027

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Monday 4th January 2027

Monday 12th April 2027

Monday 19th July 2027

Tuesday 20th July 2027

Wednesday 21st July 2027