

Newsletter

Week ending : 6th June 2025

Term 6 - Curiosity

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Aim High, Believe and Achieve

OUR VALUES

Responsibility
Empathy
Sense Of Pride
Perseverance
Enthusiasm
Curiosity
Teamwork

School Photos

School photos have been sent home this week. You can order online with free delivery to school up until Tuesday 17th June 2025. Any orders after this date will be subject to a post and packing charge and will be dispatched to your home address. Please allow up to 21 days for delivery.

Any queries please call DSP on 01242 604700.

Father's Day!

The Friends of Abbotswood have arranged for all children to create a Father's Day gift in school. This gift can be purchased for £3.00 via Eduspot and will then be sent home with your child.

Please note that these gifts are not Father's Day specific and can be made for a special person of your child's choosing.

Sports Day

Wednesday 18th June 2025

KS2 - 9.30am til 11.45am

Picnic lunch on the field (weather permitting) 12pm til 1pm

KS1 - 1.15pm til 2.45pm

You will be able to take your child home afterwards (from the usual door). Please make sure you have signed them out with the class teacher.

Need to take your child out of school?

Please email parents@abbotswoodprimary.org.uk if you need to take your child out of school for any reason. If it is for a medical appointment our Educational Welfare Officer will need to have proof of the appointment. This can either be a text or a letter which should be sent as an attachment to the email. Please make sure your child's name and class are included and what time you will need to pick your child up. If you want to inform your child's teacher that's fine but you still need to contact the office.

Vacancy

Lunch Break Supervisor Vacancy

Monday - Friday 1 hour 25 minutes per day.

This post will be term time only Grade: Hay 13 (£12.45 per hour) The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment and all appointments will be subject to appropriate vetting, including an enhanced DBS disclosure check. Some roles may need to comply with the 'Childcare Act 2006' and the 'Childcare (Disqualification) Regulations 2009' where additional disclosure of information will be required.

Safeguarding Statement

Abbotswood Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We particularly welcome applications from under represented groups including ethnicity, gender, transgender, age, disability, sexual orientation or religion.

FUNDRAISING

Please sign up to support Friends Of Abbotswood Primary, Yate for free on #easyfundraising today! It's completely free and would make a big difference to our fundraising. Once you've signed up you can raise free donations for us when you shop online with over 8,000 retailers. Plus, sign up today and we could win £250:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/friends-of-abbotswood-primary/479axf/c2s/fGVRPayH/CE998/facebook/>

INSET DAYS

2025 - 2026

Monday 1st September 2025

Monday 20th October 2025

Monday 5th January 2026

Thursday 2nd April 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

Tuesday 21st July 2026

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS



EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

BE AT THE CLASSROOM ON TIME AND READY TO LEARN!

Learner of the Week and Respect Award

Barn Owls - Tyler and Jack

Tawny Owls - Alfie-Jay and Leo B

Hedgehogs - Liam and Reggie

Squirrels - Amalia and Bailey

Rabbits - Thomas and Freya

Robins - Charlie and Coby

Deer - Jack and Ava S

Bats - Mason and Trinitas

Woodpeckers - Josh and Euie

Otters - Rocky and Eddie

Kingfishers - Alfie and Reuben

Falcons - Holson and Abby

Things you may have missed this week.....

- ♦ Golfing Fun for Girls
- ♦ Bristol Sport After School Club for Term 6
- ♦ Summer Performing Arts Activity Days
- ♦ Allotment Club letter for Years 4, 5 and 6
- ♦ Bristol Sport Foundation Summer Holiday Club
- ♦ Sporting Chance Summer Holiday Club

Attendance

TARGET

96%

LAST WEEK 95.2%

THIS WEEK 95.4%

Coffee Mornings



Are you looking to return to work or re-train for a new career?

Andrew Charlton, Employability Engagement Worker from South Gloucestershire Skills Connect is joining Mrs Pritchard and Miss Wood on

Thursday 19th June 2025 from 9-10am

in the Abbotswood Primary School library. Come and join us, have a coffee and see what's new and exciting out there for you!

Parents and carers of children with additional needs are invited to our coffee morning at

9.00-10.00 Wednesday 9th July 2025

Please come along for a cuppa and a chat.

We are lucky to have Gympanzees joining us to share information about what they have to offer, especially their lending library with a great collection of exercise and sensory resources.



Bikes, scooters and balance bikes

Unfortunately, after several reminders we are still seeing lots of children riding bikes, scooters and balance bikes on school grounds. Please can we just remind all parents and families that for everybody's safety, please can no scooters or bikes be ridden on site. This includes scooters and balance bikes ridden by younger, pre-school age siblings.

Just this week, we have had a few near-misses which could have been very different! Please talk to your child especially if they travel to and from school without an adult.

Thank you for your help in keeping everybody safe on site.



Join Our School Governing Board!

Are you passionate about education and making a difference in the community? Abbotswood is looking for committed individuals to join our Governing Board as School Governors.

About the Role:

As a governor, you will play a key role in shaping the strategic direction of our school, ensuring we continue to offer high-quality education for all our students. Governors work closely with the headteacher and senior leadership team to set policies, manage school finances, and monitor performance.

Key Responsibilities:

Strategic Leadership: Help set the vision and strategic goals of the school.

Accountability: Hold the senior leadership team to account for the educational performance of the school.

Financial Oversight: Ensure school resources are managed efficiently and effectively.

Community Engagement: Act as a bridge between the school and the community, ensuring the voices of parents, staff, and the wider public are heard.

What We're Looking For:

No specific experience in education is required, but a passion for improving children's learning is essential.

Commitment to attend meetings and working collaboratively with fellow governors.

A willingness to engage with training and development opportunities.

A variety of skills from different backgrounds (finance, HR, education, legal, marketing, etc.) would be beneficial but not required.

Why Become a Governor?

Make a Difference: Help improve outcomes for children in your community.

Develop New Skills: Gain valuable leadership experience.

Meet New People: Join a team of like-minded individuals committed to positive change.

Time Commitment:

Typically, governors attend termly meetings, with additional committees or working groups that may require extra time. Training and support will be provided to all new governors.

How to Apply:

If you're ready to contribute to the success of our school and make a real difference, we'd love to hear from you! Please email admin@abbotswoodprimary.org.uk with a brief outline of why you're interested and any relevant experience.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 9th June 2025 - Vision screening and height & weight check for Reception

Tuesday 10th June 2025 - Vision screening and height & weight check for Reception

Wednesday 11th June 2025 - Reception trip to Court Farm

Friday 13th June 2025 - Father's Day Lunch for Barn Owls

Monday 16th June 2025 - Friday 20th June 2025 - Sports Week

Wednesday 18th June 2025 - Year 4 trip to Ashton Gate for Festival of Sport

Wednesday 18th June 2025 - Sports Day - see below for details

KS2 - 9.30am til 11.45am ---Picnic lunch on the field 12pm til 1pm--- KS1 - 1.15pm til 2.45pm

Thursday 19th June 2025 - Coffee morning supporting getting back to work 9am til 10am

Friday 20th June 2025 - Year 3 visit to Kingsgate Park

Friday 20th June 2025 - Ice cream Friday - outside main gates at the end of the day

Monday 23rd June 2025 - Friday 27th June 2025 - Year 6 Camp

Tuesday 24th June 2025 - Year 4 trip to We The Curious

Wednesday 2nd July 2025 - Induction Day at Brimsham and YA

Thursday 3rd July 2025 - Induction Day at Brimsham, YA, Chipping Sodbury and KLB

Friday 4th July 2025 - Ice cream Friday - outside main gates at the end of the day

Wednesday 9th July 2025 - Coffee morning with Gympanzees 9am - 10am

Thursday 10th July 2025 - Summer Fair - 3.30pm - 5pm

Friday 11th July 2025 - INSET

Tuesday 15th July 2025 - Year 6 Play - 1.30pm

Wednesday 16th July 2025 - Year 6 Moving On Wonder Space at St Nicks

Wednesday 16th July 2025 - Year 6 Play - 1.30pm

Wednesday 16th July 2025 - Year 6 Leavers Party

Friday 18th July 2025 - Reports

Friday 18th July 2025 - Ice cream Friday - outside main gates at the end of the day

Monday 21st July 2025 - Rocksteady Concert - 10am - (for parents of band members only)

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 - Year 6 Leavers Assembly - details to follow

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 - School finishes at 12.15pm - Ice cream van will be outside main gates