



Abberley Parochial V.C. Primary School

Inspiring Hearts & Minds

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WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

School Eisteddfod

Throughout this term the children will be learning about the legacy of Shakespeare and producing some of the items to be used in the Malvern Show Garden. We would like to involve families and will be launching another Eisteddfod competition with ideas to work on at home. Last time we did this this we were extremely impressed by the quality of the entries and the enthusiasm generated by the children and their families for the project. We hope you will enjoy this years' project too! For more information about our show garden look on the website.

The first challenge

Our design features a chair which Shakespeare would have sat in to compose his plays. Rae needs to know what you think this chair should look like so that she can construct a full size one with the children to take centre stage in our show garden.

We would like the children to design and make a model of the chair.

We hope that this will become a project for the whole family and all entries must to be in school on Monday February 22nd. We will then select the design to be built and featured in the show garden in May.

Pantomime

We had another fantastic trip to the Birmingham Hippodrome for the pantomime last Friday. As always, the children behaved impeccably and were a credit to the school. Thank you to all our volunteer helpers for helping the trip run so smoothly.

Indoors Cricket Tournament

Last week, 8 of the year 5 and 6 children took part in a competition against Martley School. Despite losing, the children showed an amazing display of cricket skills and Mr Hancock commented on their wonderful attitude and behaviour. Great effort!

KEY STAGE 1 MESSAGES

Lobsters

Please can we remind you that the children are expected to put their belongings away in the classroom when they first arrive at school. The children need to remember to check their book bags each morning to see if they have any letters that need to be handed in or books ready to be changed. They should then come straight back out onto the playground ready to line up when the bell goes. We would appreciate your support in reminding your child of this routine.

This week the children have been busy setting up their own chocolate companies and designing their own company logos. Next week we will begin to design our chocolate products which we are very excited about.

Seahorses

Now that we are in the Spring Term and the children are fully settled at school, we are encouraging them to become more independent. Since Christmas our morning routines have changed and the children are now expected to put their belongings away in the classroom when they first arrive at school. They should then come straight back out onto the playground ready to line up when the bell goes. We would appreciate your support in establishing this routine with the children to aid a smooth transition in the mornings.

This week we have been learning about the story of Aladdin and finding out about which animals live in the desert.

KEY STAGE 2 MESSAGES

Turtles & Dolphins

We will be choosing a year 3/4 Indoor Rounders' team this week, to play in a tournament. This will take place at The Chantry on Thursday the 4th of February @ 3:45pm. Letters will be sent home this week if your child is selected. Quick responses are appreciated.

Please can we ask that children do not come into the classroom before the bell has gone at 8:50am. Then, once they have put their belongings away, they must all come back out onto the playground. Also, at the end of the school day, can parents collect children from the front playground bus shelter only. This is due to the distraction from learning it is causing in the last lesson. Thank you!

Sharks

Children in years 5/6 will be visiting The Chantry School on Tuesday 2nd February to see the production of Grease.

This is a production which is performed by the children at the high school and last year the children really enjoyed seeing them perform 'We Will Rock You'.

There will be a letter going home with children on Thursday to ask for a small donation for the coach there. They will be leaving at 9am, returning in time for lunch.

REMINDERS

Recycled Uniform

We currently have a stock of recycled uniform in good condition in the school office for which we charge a very small amount. If you are interested please see Mrs Day

Abberley 100 Club

We would like to remind everyone about the first draw, coming soon, for the 100 club. Numbers are still available for this year! Please come to the office or visit the website to get a form. Payments are £12 per number, with a draw being done each month to award 1st prize.

Football Club Thursdays After-School

Just to remind Key Stage 2 children to bring clothes that they can get muddy and a pair of boots (if they have them) and trainers incase we don't go on the field.

Show Garden Competition

You have until February 22nd to design and make your model of Shakespeare's chair.

Flower Competition

To raise money for our show garden we shall be sending every child home with a flower quiz sheet. If you would like to enter the competition please return the completed sheet by 22nd February together with £1.00 entry fee.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Indoor Rounders Thursday 4th February

This event is for Year 5 and 6 and will be taking place at Chantry High School. Letters to be sent out nearer the event.

Remember that Half Term is from February 15th to Friday 19th February

World Book Day March 3rd

Children can come to school on this day dressed as a character from one of Shakespeare's plays.