



NEWSLETTER

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Headteacher: Mrs S. M. Newton BA Hons QTS 11th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,
It has been a delight to finally welcome back all our children. The school is once again filled with the sound of laughter and chatter and the children's smiling faces can't fail to lift our spirits. I am pleased to report that the children have settled back into the school routines and procedures so well. They have clearly missed each other and were so pleased to reunite with class mates.

I am sure that a number of parents will also be smiling! Can I thank all our parents/carers once again for your continued support through these challenging times.

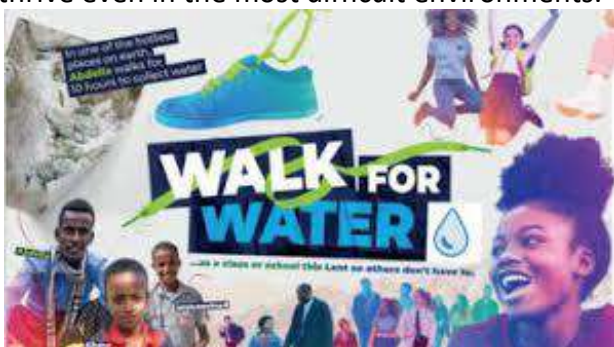
Kindest Regards
Mrs Newton



Staying Safe

Lenten Fundraising Activities

During the season of lent we make an extra effort to consider those less fortunate than ourselves. We have planned a few fundraising activities to raise money for CAFOD. The coronavirus pandemic has shown how important it is to have access to clean, safe water. With the money we raise we can reach out to communities around the world to help them thrive even in the most difficult environments.



Star of the Week



Friday 26th February 2021

Can I congratulate the following children for being shining stars.

- Reception – William Shackleton and Lilly Ray**
- Year 1 – Violet Femandell and Mason Goodwin**
- Year 2 – Bailey Westwood**
- Year 3 – Jessica Pilling and Charlie Parkinson**
- Year 4 – Alfie Lloyd**
- Year 5 – Ceira Blakeley**
- Year 6 – Evie Peers**

Friday 5th March 2021

- Reception – Alfie Harrop and Chester Nixon**
- Year 1 – Noah Hindley**
- Year 2 – Summer Hayes**
- Year 3 – Jorgie Williams and Jaya Jesani**
- Year 4 – Cadance Ackers**
- Year 5 – Daisy Booth**
- Year 6 – Lucie-Olive Bailey**

Certificates will now be awarded to children in school every Friday.

World Book Day



Easter Egg Raffle

Can we ask you to send in Easter eggs for our school raffle. These will be displayed in the hall. Children will be able to send in 10p for a ticket. Each class bubble will have their own books of tickets. The raffle will be drawn the last week of term



Rainbow Day – Own Clothes Friday 26th March

The children are invited to come into school wearing as many colourful clothes as possible so that all the colours of the rainbow can be seen. The children are asked to donate a £1 on this day.

Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff

Around 1 in 3 people with coronavirus (COVID-19) do not have symptoms but can still pass it on to others. Regular testing of people without symptoms (asymptomatic testing) is important to help stop the virus spreading. As lockdown restrictions gradually ease, we all need to play our part to help protect each other.

The [Department of Health and Social Care announced](#) that from Monday 1 March, households with primary school, secondary school and college age children, including childcare and support bubbles, can test themselves twice every week at home as schools return from Monday 8 March. Households, childcare and support bubbles of primary, secondary and college staff can also be tested. Twice-weekly testing will also be offered to adults working in the wider school community, including bus drivers and after school club leaders. The twice-weekly test kits can be accessed:

- via employers if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test site
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit online

Schools cannot give test kits to parents, carers or household members. Letters containing advice on where to access testing will be made available for schools to share with parents and staff shortly. This [guidance](#) provides information on who can be tested and how you can get a test.

Thank you all so much for making this such a success and participating at home and in school. It was lovely to see the vast variety of books that the children have enjoyed and also the book bag, costumes and reading challenges. Well done also to all those that guessed the masked reader. Mrs Marsden has put together a video to celebrate the day. Please take a look. This will be posted on class dojos, tapestry and on the school website.



Home Reading Books

Just before the first lockdown last year, a lot of new reading books for the children were purchased for home readers. Due to the disruption caused by COVID since then, a significant number of these books are now missing.

Consequently, we are asking for everyone in Years 4, 5 and 6, or if you had a child in Year 6 last year, to please check at home for any reading books that may be hidden or forgotten about and return to school as soon as possible. The books are all 'banded' with a coloured sticker on the spine, and stamped with the school name. As you can imagine, the books were expensive and they will be costly to replace.

Thank you in advance.

National Science Week 8th March:

It has been a very exciting week for the children to return to school as the teachers have planned a host of activities to mark this.

The aim of the week is to give Science a high profile and to engage and stimulate the children's imagination through scientific enquiry. They have also been finding out about different scientists and engineers and of course finding out about the latest landing on Mars. Please ask you child what they have been learning.

School Car Park

Please can I remind parents that the car park is for staff and visitors only. Parents/Carers are not permitted to drive onto the car park when dropping off/collecting children at the start/end of the day. This is to ensure your child's safety due to the risks involved with increased traffic, and it avoids congestion as staff, visitors and also deliveries arrive at these times.

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