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May Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we come towards the end of another half term, I would like to thank you for your continued support. Parents play a crucial role in supporting their children's learning, and levels of parental engagement are consistently associated with better academic outcomes. Evidence from research indicates that effective parental engagement can lead to learning gains of +3 months over the course of a year. 😊

Free School Meals eligibility

Following on from the last newsletter, please see a reminder of the links to check if your child is eligible for free school meals. Anyone can check online:

Eligibility Criteria:

https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500186/education_benefits/7355/free_school_meals

Apply Online: <https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

Key Stage 2 SATs

KS2 SATs are now finished. The children have been amazing! Their hard work and dedication has served them well. I am so proud to be their Head Teacher. A big thank you to Miss Churchman, Miss Harvey and all other staff who have taught the children over the years.

Key Stage 1 SATs

Next week, Year 2 will undergo assessments in the form of Key Stage 1 (KS1) SATs tests. These tests are optional national curriculum tests administered at the end of Year 2 to assess children's progress in English and Maths. They are not mandatory and schools decide whether to use them. The tests help teachers make assessments of a child's progress and identify areas where they may need additional support as they move into Key Stage 2.

What is assessed in KS1 SATs?	How are SATs results used?	How can parents support their child?	Additional information:
<p>*English: Reading, grammar, spelling, and punctuation.</p> <p>*Maths: Arithmetic and reasoning.</p>	<p>*Teachers use the SATs results, along with other assessments throughout the year, to make a "teacher assessment judgement" of the child's end-of-Year 2 level.</p> <p>*The results are converted into scaled scores, with 100 or more indicating that the child is working at or above the expected standard for the Key Stage.</p>	<p>*Encourage reading, spelling practice, and arithmetic exercises.</p> <p>*Talk to your child about what they are learning at school and what books they are reading.</p> <p>*Ensure good school attendance.</p>	<p>*The tests are not designed to be passed or failed, but to give a picture of a child's progress.</p> <p>*Scaled scores range from 80 to 120, with 100 being the average.</p> <p>*A score of 99 or below indicates that the child has not met the expected standard.</p>



Year 1 and 2 Phonics Screening

This will take place the week beginning Monday 9th June, so please ensure your child is in school all week. Please read the information for parents in the following leaflet: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-information-for-parents/phonics-screening-check-2024-information-for-parents-text-only-version>

Year 4 Multiplication Check

This will also take place in the week beginning Monday 9th June, so please ensure your child is in school all week. Please read the information for parents in the following leaflet: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6724ae64c053e87b6a0a81e4/Information_for_parents_multiplication_tables_check.pdf

Transition

Monday 7th July will be transition week. Y6 will be visiting their secondary schools (more information will follow soon from them) and Nursery to Y5 will spend two full days with their new teachers, in preparation for September.

Abbott's Got Talent

It's that time again! 'Abbott's Got Talent!' auditions will take place on Monday 23rd June. Your child can enter as an individual or as a group: singers, dancers, gymnasts, musicians, comedians... the list is endless. If your child has ANY talent that could blow us away, they can enter. Please practice with them over the half term. The final will be held on Friday 11th July. Parents/carers of the children, who get through to the final, will be invited to watch on this day at 13:00

Sun cream and hats

Please ensure your child wears sun cream and a sun hat for school, now that the weather is improving. Please send them in with a water bottle each day, so they can stay hydrated.

Other important dates for your diary include:

- Friday 16th May – Y6 SATs party
- Monday 19th May – KS1 SATs
- Friday 20th May – School Closes (after school clubs and Night Owls are still on as usual)
- Monday 9th June – School Opens
- Monday 9th June – Y1&2 Phonics Screening/Y4 Multiplication Check
- Friday 13th June – Y6 Careers Convention in school
- Friday 13th June – EYFS Family Friday returns
- Monday 16th June – Class Photos
- Friday 20th June – Make Music Day
- Monday 23rd June – Y1-5 Test Week
- Monday 23rd June – Abbott's Got Talent! auditions
- Monday 7th July – Transition Week (N-Y6)
- Tuesday 8th July – Blue Planet Aquarium Trip for Nursery-Y2 (information to follow)
- Wednesday 9th July – Art Day
- Thursday 10th July – Blackpool Zoo Trip for Y3-5 (information to follow)
- Friday 11th July – Abbott's Got Talent! at 13:00
- Monday 14th July – Y6 Robinwood Residential Trip
- Friday 18th July – Sports Day: 09:30-EYFS; 10:45-Y1-3; 13:00-Y4-6
- Wednesday 23rd July – Y6 Leavers' Assembly at 14:00
- Thursday 24th July – Summer Fair at 13:30-15:30
- Friday 25th July – School Reports sent home
- Friday 25th July – School Closes at 13:30



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If you have any questions or concerns, please email your child's class teacher, in the first instance. They can then assist you or direct you to where necessary:

Nursery/ Miss Burke – h.burke@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Reception/Mrs Illic & Mrs Peters – e.ilic@abbott.manchester.sch.uk & r.peters@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Year 1/Miss Henderson – n.henderson@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Year 2/Miss Castle – d.castle@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Year 3/Miss Curchin – i.curchin@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Year 4/Miss Thorne – m.thorne@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Year 5/Miss Johnson – g.johnson@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Year 6/Miss Churchman – h.churchman@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

If you have any SEND and/or welfare concerns, please email Mrs Pugh – a.pugh@abbott.manchester.sch.uk
Any general queries, please email Ms Melling – admin@abbott.manchester.sch.uk
and for school payment concerns or queries, it's Mr Howarth – finance@abbott.manchester.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

Miss Wilson (Head Teacher)

