



September Newsletter 2022

Wednesday 7th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year!

Staff Updates



Miss Wilson safely welcomed her baby girl during the school holidays and is now enjoying her much-deserved Maternity Leave. In her absence, I will be taking over as Acting Head.

During the summer, Miss Sykes also got married and is now known as Mrs Peters.



School Start Times

As shared in the Summer Term, **the school day now starts at 08:45**. The gates will be opened at 08:30 and the children will be expected to be lined up outside of their classrooms ready for the 08:45 bell. Classroom **doors will close at 08:50**; anyone arriving after this time must report to the main office, where they will be marked in as late.

Nut-free School & Healthy Snacks

Due to a rising number of staff and pupil intolerances, and in line with our legal duty to support pupils with medical conditions, including allergy, we are a NUT-FREE school. We ask that no nut-based products are brought on to the school premises; this includes for packed lunch, break time snacks or for a special birthday treat – this includes products that may contain traces of nuts.

At Abbott, we also aim to promote, encourage and support healthy eating and a healthy lifestyle: if children require snacks at break-time, these should **only be fresh or dried fruit**. No chocolate, biscuits, crisps or sweets should be brought into school for break-time.

Please ensure snack items are stored separately from packed lunches. Children will not be permitted to take items out of their lunch boxes before lunchtime. Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 pupils will continue to be provided with a piece of fruit, daily.

Breakfast Club: Food items (cereals, pastries etc.) **must not** be brought to eat in school if your child attends breakfast club. A range of breakfast items are provided between 07:30 and 08:30am.

Drinks in school

Children are encouraged to bring a drink to school each day; **this must be water ONLY**. No added sugar flavoured water is allowed. Juice is **NOT** allowed under any circumstances. This is not a new school rule.

Abbott Parent Working Paarty

We are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated parents/carers who would like to play an active role in the school community. This may involve fundraising, helping to organise school events, supporting children's learning and offering insight into parent views. Meetings will be held half-terminly.

If you are interested in joining, or would like more information, please email Mrs Pugh on a.pugh@abbott.manchester.sch.uk.



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Uniform

School Uniform will soon only be available to purchase from Ziggys in Harpurhey. Their website is: <https://ziggyschoolwearmanchester.co.uk>.

However, we do still have remaining stock for sale on School Spider, at a slightly reduced rate. Reduced prices are as follows:

- Red sweatshirts and cardigans age 3-13 years - **£9.00**; size small - **£11.00**
- Red fleeces age 3-13 years - **£10.00**; size small - **£14.00**
- Additional black sweatshirts and cardigans age 9-13 years - **£9.00**; size small – **£11.00**
- Black fleeces age 9-13 years - **£10.00**; size small - **£14.00**
- Book bag - **£6.00**/ Infant Backpack - **£8.00**/ Junior Backpack - **£9.00**

PE Kits

All children from Reception to Year 6 **MUST** wear the appropriate PE kit for all PE sessions. Kits should be brought to school every Monday, in a suitable bag, and left in school all week. Full kit must then be taken home every Friday to be washed.



PE kit:

Plain **white** T-shirt, black/dark shorts/leggings or tracksuit bottoms, pumps or trainers.

Pyjama t-shirts and football kits will not be allowed to be worn for PE.

After School Clubs

All After School clubs are now available to book on School Spider. All clubs are £12.00 per half term: to be paid in advance. There are limited spaces available in each club for those children who attend Night Owls. These must also be booked through School Spider.

Events & Dates

Roald Dahl Day



Tuesday 13th September is Roald Dahl Day, which is a global celebration of Roald Dahl stories, characters and moments. This year, children can come to school dressed as their favourite character from any Roald Dahl story. Please see the following link for some ideas: <https://www.roalddahl.com/roald-dahl-story-day/story-day-costume-quiz>. A further letter will be

sent home with more information.

School Photo Day

School photos will be taken on Wednesday 14th September. They will be taken of individual children and siblings who attend our school, only. We are unfortunately unable to accommodate parent visitors in the building during this time. Thank you for your understanding.

Year 3-6 Swimming

All children from Year 3-6 will start swimming lessons from Thursday 15th September. Further letters will be sent separately – please read thoroughly for full details. Swimming is part of the National Curriculum and all children must attend. Please make your child's class teacher aware of any medical conditions, if you have not already done so.

Jeans for Genes Day



The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic disorder and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected. We will be fundraising for this good cause on Monday 19th September, by asking all children to donate £1.00 to wear their jeans to school. They can wear any top with the jeans, on the day. This can be paid through School Spider.

A full events calendar for the academic year is attached to the email for your information. Please bear in mind that some events and dates may change over the course of the year, but further details will always be shared in advance.

If you have any further questions, please contact your child's class teacher via email.

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Yours Sincerely,

Miss Stokes



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