



28th May

School news Update

Our church school creates a firm foundation where together, with God's help and with the help of others, we learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith.



Test and Trace

Covid Test and Trace

We would like to remind parents that we do have a responsibility with tracking and tracing contacts of confirmed positive cases until the 31st May. Therefore, it is vital that parents do let us know if their child develops symptoms at any time between the end of school today and the 31st May. Please inform us via the office@abbotsripton.cambs.sch.uk email address. We would also request that if your child does develop symptoms, you visit a test centre rather than requesting a postal test if possible as results are returned much more quickly. Please then inform us of the result of your child's test as soon as you can, again via the office email address.

If we are informed of a member of school staff or a pupil testing positive, we will follow Public Health advice regarding who to inform and will do this by telephone for anyone who needs to isolate because they have been in contact with the positive case whilst in school.

After school clubs

We have sent home booking forms for the next half term for the clubs on offer. If you wish your child to join a club, then please complete and return the form with payment by Tuesday 7th June.

Rise and Shine Club

A reminder that our before school club every day starts at 8am and is an opportunity for children to be physically active before the school day. Please do let the office know if you would like your child to join – this can be ad hoc days or a longer term booking.

Relationships Education

With our newsletter on the 23rd April, we sent a letter about the new Relationships Education Curriculum, which becomes a statutory subject from September. Part of this letter asked if parents would be interested in joining a consultation group. As part of this consultation, we would like to share the statutory content, and then ask for your views on how and when we should deliver different aspects and what our priorities should be. We have 5 parents who have expressed an interest and would like to ask again whether

anyone else would be interested. Please do let the office know by Friday 11th June as we are hoping to meet 'virtually' during week beginning the 14th.

Fond Farewell

We would like to wish Abigail in Picasso class and James in Kandinsky class, a fond farewell. They are heading back to the US after 3 years in the UK. We wish them both, and their family, a safe journey and all the best for the future. It has been a delight to get to know them.

STARS

We have had a wonderful day today with many children and staff '*Daring to be Different!*' We also took the opportunity to talk with the children about 'difference' and what this means, how we treat others who might be different to us, and the importance of kindness and respect towards those who may look or sound different to us or who may have a different faith or different views. A fun day with an important message!



We have sent home the Scavenger Hunt to those who purchased this to do over half term – good luck!!

A reminder about the challenge to raise £21 in 2021 for each child or each family – there is a £50 Amazon voucher for the most creative way to raise the £21 so we are hoping that lots of our families will rise to the challenge! The closing date is the 17th July. See attached posters for more details.

Finally a reminder that you can purchase a 'Friday Night Takeaway' on Friday 11th June – the deadline to order is the first day back after half term. Again the poster with further details is attached with this newsletter.

Menu and Dinner money

After half term, we will still be operating a 'bubble' lunchtime, meaning that not all children are in the hall together. We have therefore decided to continue with the current three week menu – please see attached with updated dates (please note we start with the second week on the sheet). The children have really enjoyed being able to choose each day between a main and a vegetarian option. They have also loved having options for dessert too with many children ending their meal with cheese and biscuits!

The cost for the second half of the summer term will be £81.60 (34 days at £2.40) if you wish to pay for the half term, alternatively the weekly charge is £12.00. Please ensure payment is received promptly. Cash or cheques made payable to Abbots Ripton CE Primary School. If you have a significant credit on account you will be informed by email and can deduct the amount off your next payment. A polite reminder that it is really difficult for us to hold debts for families so prompt payment is really appreciated!

We hope you all have a restful half term break! Hopefully the sun will be shining!



Diary Dates

We have attached an updated diary date's list. Please do take the time to note these down in your diary so you don't miss anything.

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Please see below the diary dates for the Summer term 2021

Any new dates added in the future will be in bold italics

31 st May – 4 th June	Half Term
31 st May – 4 th June	STARS Scavenger Hunt
7th June	<i>Deadline to order STARS Friday Night Takeaway</i>
10 th June	Swimming for Picasso class starts (6 weeks)
10 th June	New Reception Parents meeting - 7pm
11th June	<i>STARS Friday Night Takeaway Night</i>
17th July	<i>Deadline for the £21 in 2021 fundraiser</i>
20 th July	Y6 leavers assembly -1.30pm
22 nd July	End of Summer Term
23 rd July	Teacher Training Day – School closed