

*"We will work in partnership with you to continue to build the unique foundations
for your child's learning"*

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

January 2023

Welcome back and Happy New Year to everyone. With the start of the new term, we are settling in new children, and would like to welcome:

Albert; Daniel; Cali; Nikita; Nabeel; Finley; Florence; Susana; Franki; Mayah; Hansen; Mia-Rose; Harrison and Oakley to Space Room.

David; Kanmi; Erwan; Sarissa; Rajjika; Zainab; Daisy; and Emily to Star Room.

Shayne; Matei; Zuza; Hadassah; Rowan; Albert; and Noah to Moonlight Room.

School Fund Contribution

Each half term we ask for school fund which helps us to buy the little things that we are unable to get from our budget. It pays for all the photos that we put in your child's profile, for the snacks that we give the children each day. We spend over £50 a week on fruit and snacks but we will not be able to continue to do this without your generosity.

A big 'thank you' to all of the families who paid the £5 donation last half term, it is greatly appreciated. It is the start of a new half term and the £5 donation is still much needed. You can donate to the school fund through your usual 'Parent Pay' app.

Other Reminders:

- Please remember to put your child's name in **all** items of clothing including sweatshirts and coats.
- It is important that your child wears sensible shoes to enable them to climb and run with control.
- We recommend that your child does not wear jewellery to school - only stud earrings for safety reasons.
- The use of a mobile phone is **NOT** allowed in the school.
- For your child's safety please ensure that doors and gates are **CLOSED** at all times. Don't forget the main gate must be **secured** at all times!

Reception Places September 2023

Please remember to apply for your child's Reception School place before the **closing date of 15th January 2023**. If you have any problems, please speak to Gill, or contact FIS 020 8921 6921.

Calling all gardeners.

We have an area of the school that is not well used. It is a special area just inside the gate. Just before the pandemic, a very beautiful Chestnut tree had to be felled. The area then had a wasps' nest in it, so it has been very under used for the last two years and needs some TLC. If you feel able to volunteer some time to help us in the garden, please talk to Gill. You would have to have a DBS, which we could help to arrange.

We would really appreciate if parents could send us some photos of your child at home enjoying a variety of activities. You can add them to your child's 'Tapestry' account. New children will be given information about that in the coming weeks.

Thank you all for your support with the Christmas Raffle and book sale. You have helped us raise £111.00 for the school.

School Website

www.abbeywoodnurseryschool.co.uk. Please look at our website to keep up to date with what we are doing in school. We are also happy to have any feedback about the website that would make it better for you to use.

Dates for your Diary 2023

Saturday 14th January Stay and Play - 'Help your child learn to read'.

Half Term Holiday

Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February

Friday 31st March - Meet the teacher day (No school for children)

Easter Holiday

Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

INSET Monday 17th April

Home Visits for new children 18th April
(Children return on 19th April)

2nd March World Book day

'Living Eggs' 6th - 17th March

Saturday 11th March Stay and Play - Meet the Chicks

Luna New Year

We will be starting celebrations of the Luna (Chinese) New Year on 23rd January

恭喜發財

Kung Hei Fat Choy

2023 is the year of the Rabbit

Covid; Flu and Scarlett Fever.

As I write this, the Government has issued 'Back to school advice'. This includes adults and children staying at home if they are unwell. We have added the advice to our website. Please help us to all stay safe.

Contact Forms

Please make sure that your correct telephone numbers are on your contact form in the school office. If you have changed your numbers, you **MUST** let the office know in case we need to contact you if your child becomes ill.

Best Wishes, Gill and all the Staff