

The Abbey School Newsletter

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Friday 1st October

School Council Reps 2021-22

The School Council, chaired by Miss Chalkley, meets every half term. The first order of business is to elect representatives for each Form Group. This was done during Tutor Time and each rep elected was awarded 2 House Points for taking on the responsibility. In advance of each council meeting the reps need to ask their classmates for suggestions for discussion at the meeting and then they feedback to them after the meetings.



3A – George P & Preston
3B – Liam S & Nicole
3C – Connor S & Sunny
3D – Ryan R & Rory
3E – Reg & Leah H
3F – Oscar L & Jack O
3G – Luke & Joe
4W – Josh B & Brad
4X – Aaron M & Shantelle
4Y – Stephen & Rose
4Z – Evan L & Sophie



One of the suggestions advanced by the School Council last year was a request for new football goals. The school management and governors managed to reserve £ 3,000 from the school budget for this and the new goals were delivered at the start of this term. Many thanks to our new caretaker, Mr Sparks, for putting the goals together.



Before & After!

In use at lunchtime Sports Club

The Friends of the Abbey

It was great to see some new faces as well as old friends at the AGM last week. Ashleigh Hooke (a year 9 parent) agreed to take on the role of chair, Juls Platt (Year 10 parent) was elected Secretary and Mark Merryweather stays on as Treasurer.

There were some fantastic ideas for events and fund-raising, coronavirus prevention measures permitting, including relaunching the 50:50 club and introducing Christmas card printing using your child's own design. There will be further details to follow but, in the meantime, please contact the school office if you are able to get your employer or other contact to donate a prize for the grand draw and don't forget to use The Giving Machine, Smile Amazon or similar when shopping online – it's an easy way to help the school without it costing you a penny!

The links are in the Friends of The Abbey parents' area of the school website

<https://www.abbey.surrey.sch.uk/1419/friends-of-the-abbey-school> or below:

<https://shopandgive.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/the-abbey-school-55160/>



<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/>

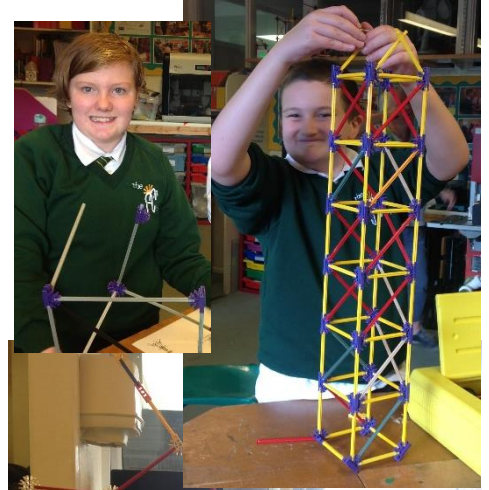
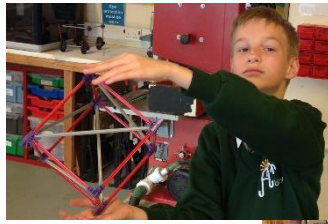


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3c have been busy trying to build the tallest, strongest structures out of K'nex in a Design Technology lesson.



Felipe also built a telescope and won a Head Teacher's Award!



Josh

Key Stage 4 Art students made some lovely colourful watercolour paintings on an oil pastel background.



Abi



Raihan

Aldershot Town FC



Sam and his dad enjoyed the match against Halifax Town and sent us this photo and message;

"Thank you to the Children with Special Needs Foundation, Aldershot FC and The Abbey for providing the tickets to watch the game on Saturday. Despite the result, we very much enjoyed our afternoon and would thoroughly recommend it to other parents and pupils."



If you would like to take your child to a game, please contact the school office and let us know who you would like to take (you can have tickets for brothers and sisters or school friends, subject to availability). All students must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for them at all times.

The sponsors would like as many of the students as possible to have an opportunity to enjoy at least one match, but if your child is becoming a fan they are welcome to go more often. If there are not enough tickets to go round for a particular game, disappointed students will be placed on a waiting list for the next game.



Off-site PE lessons have started again this term. Mr Jackson took this selfie whilst at Farnham Sports Centre with his KS3 PE Group this week. A KS4 group went on Wednesday while Year 7 students and those in the KS4 LIMA group have been there for swimming lessons too.



Key Stage 4 Catering students are justifiably proud of their efforts after 'slaving over a hot stove'.



Free tickets for students for accessible panto

Starburst Theatre are delighted to be performing Fleet Pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty' this Christmas. As always, they are inviting children with special needs, and their families, to apply for tickets to a special charity performance at:

The Harlington in Fleet on **Sunday 12th December 2021, 10:30 am.**

This will be a British Sign Language signed performance.

Tickets are free for children with special needs, with a nominal cost of just £5 per ticket for accompanying children and adults **up to a maximum of 6 tickets per family** (including the free ticket).

There is a letter with further details and an application form which will be emailed via Parentmail (or you can request paper copies from the school office).

Autumn Term Parents' Evenings

Your child should have brought home a letter inviting you to make an appointment to see your child's Form Tutor (copies have also been emailed to all parents/carers via Parentmail) for a general update on how your child has settled in this term as well as information about their progress towards their personal development and academic targets. You will be invited to contribute to your child's student profile which we use in school to make sure that all staff are aware of their learning and other needs and to raise any questions or concerns you might have.

There will also be a number of drop-in clinics with other members of staff.

Consultation Evening for KS4 Parents/Carers: Thursday 7th October

(bookings close at 3p.m. on Wednesday 6th October).

Consultation Evening for KS3 Parents/Carers: Tuesday 12th October

(bookings 6 p.m. Tuesday 5th October - 3p.m. on Monday 11th October).

Please visit <https://abbeyschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments



D A T E S
FOR YOUR DIARY

	Thursday 7th October 2021	3:40-7:50p.m.	Parent:Teacher Consultation Meetings
	Tuesday 12th October 2021	3:40-7:50p.m.	Parent:Teacher Consultation Meetings
	Fri 22nd – Fri 29th October 2021		Half-Term (no early closing Thursday 21st)
	Friday 26th & Monday 29th November 2021		Autumn Break
	Tuesday 30th November 2021		Whole school progress review day
	Monday 13th December 2021	11:15 & 1:30	End of Term Performance for Parents/Carers & Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run
	Tuesday 14th December 2021	10:30 a.m. (Camberley)	CWSNF School Panto (Jack & The Beanstalk)
	Wednesday 15th December 2021	5-6p.m.	School Xmas Disco
	Thursday 16th December 2021		School Xmas Lunch
	Friday 17th December 2021	1:50p.m.	Last day of term. School closes early.
	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS		
	Tuesday 4th January 2022		INSET Day (School closed to students)
	Wednesday 5th January 2022	9:05a.m.	BACK TO SCHOOL
	Tuesday 8th February 2022		Safer Internet Day
	Mon 14th – Fri 18th February 2021		Half-Term (no early closing on Friday 11th)
	Wednesday 9th March 2022		Whole school progress review day
	Monday 14th March 2022		WMAT INSET Day (School closed to students)
	Tuesday 15th March 2022	3:40 – 7:50p.m.	Parent:Teacher Consultation Meetings
	Friday March 18th 2022	6:30p.m.	Friends of The Abbey Spring Term Event
	Thursday 24th March 2022	3:40 – 7:50p.m.	Parent:Teacher Consultation Meetings
	Friday 1st April 2022	1:50p.m.	School closes early for Easter Holidays
	EASTER HOLIDAYS		
	Tuesday 19th April 2022	9:05a.m.	BACK TO SCHOOL
	Monday 2nd May 2022		May Day Bank Holiday (School closed)
	Mon 30th May – Fri 3rd June 2022		Half-Term (no early closing on Friday 27th)
	Tuesday 7th June 2022		Year 11 progress review day
		4:30-6:30p.m.	Life After The Abbey - preparation for post-16
	Thursday 23rd June 2022	5:30-10P.M.	Last day of school for Year 11 students Year 11 leavers' Record of Achievement presentation/Prom
	Friday 24th June 2022		INSET Day (School closed to students)
	Thursday 30th June 2022		Year 7/8/9/10 progress review day
	Monday 4th – Friday 8th July 2022		Year 10 Work Experience Week
	Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th July 2022		Induction Days for New Students starting in September
	Sunday 10th July 2022		Friends of The Abbey Family Fun Day & BBQ
	Wednesday 13th July 2022		Sports Day
	Friday 22nd July 2022	1:50p.m.	Last Day of Term for Students School closes early at 1:50p.m.
	SUMMER HOLIDAYS		

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