

ABBEY PRIMARY NEWS  
'Opening Windows of Opportunity'  
Newsletter 2  
December 2018

Dear Parents,

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**WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN IN 2019.**

**International Week**

The children had an enriching week just before half term when they learnt about a particular country. America, Thailand, Ireland, India, Japan, China, England, Turkey, South Africa, Australia, Italy, Spain, Jamaica, Canada and Poland were all studied. Don Rae, a brilliant dance teacher, taught each class a dance to match their country. The children learnt the dance in half an hour and then performed it to their Key Stage in the afternoon. The children were so enthusiastic and Don Rae commented on how well behaved they were. It was a great two days.

**Best Attendance**

Congratulations to the children in Nightingale Class (Year 2) and Mandela Class (Year 5) for having the best attendance across the school. Both classes had 98% attendance. As a reward the children came to school on Friday 2 November in their own clothes.

**Sharing Your Child's Successes Outside School**

Please let us know if you are proud of your child in any way so that we can celebrate it on a newsletter. The children love to see this, as do their family.

**Black History Week**

We celebrated Black History Week during the week beginning 29 October 2018.

**Great Behaviour Raffle Winners**

Congratulations to the following children who won the raffle for being beautifully behaved:  
Ollie Underwood (Picasso)  
Ollie Acheson-Gray (Frank)  
Shivikar Ranjan (Malala)

**Please Remind Your Child**

There is a dance, from the game Fortnite, which we have banned from school. The dance is called the 'Loser' dance and it is causing a lot of friction between children. I would be grateful if you could remind your children not to do this. Many thanks.

### Project Winners

Congratulations to the following children who were project winners. We are always really impressed with every child's efforts.

Darwin: 'Jurassic World' - Rishan Robinson  
Picasso: 'Jurassic World' - Ollie Underwood  
Pepys: 'Family Tree' - Ahmet Soyler  
Nightingale: 'Family Tree' - Francesca Bertuchi  
Parks: 'World War 11' - Charlie Gibb  
Frank: 'World War 11' - Jacob Davies  
Edison: 'Bright Sparks' - Zoyan Abdul  
Curie: 'Bright Sparks' - Freddie Morgan  
Mandela: 'Ancient Heroes' - Lucas Early  
Peake: 'Ancient Heroes' - George Gauci  
Barnardo: 'Canada' - Callum May  
Malala: 'Poland' - Daisy Collins

### Parking

Parking around the school has always been a problem, but is currently compounded by the building works at school as there have been vehicles belonging to contractors parking in the area. This is just a gentle reminder not to park across our neighbours' driveways. The building works are progressing well and are due to finish by the end of term. The dining room and integral kitchen are now up and running. The children love it as there is so much more room, therefore making lunchtimes more relaxed. We will be having a session in the New Year when we will invite you in to come and see the dining room. It is also a great space for children's parties, with access to our field as well. We will give more detailed information out to you in case you would like to hire it.

### Inset Days 2018 - 2019

Please make a note of our remaining Inset Days for the academic year:

Monday 25 February 2019  
Monday 22 July 2019 and  
Tuesday 23 July 2019.

### DATES

Friday 21 December	Last day of term
Monday 7 January	First day of spring term
Monday 14 January & Tuesday 15 January	Reception children heights and weights
Thursday 17 January & Friday 18 January	I Wonder Space
Thursday 24 January	Nursery workshop at 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Week beginning 28 January	Parent's Evenings - more details to follow
Friday 1 February	Young Voices at the O2 arena
Tuesday 5 February	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 7 February	Nursery workshop at 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday 12 February	Parent Council at 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Monday 18 February to Friday 22 February	Half - term break
Monday 25 February	School and nursery closed for Inset Day
Wednesday 6 March	Peake Class visit to synagogue
Wednesday 13 March	Mandela Class visit to synagogue
Friday 5 April	Last day of spring term
Tuesday 23 April	First day of summer term