

Our School Mission Statement: Together with God's help we: Grow in Faith, Learn for Life and Achieve our best.

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to the Spring Term 2019. We hope that you all had a lovely break over Christmas. We are looking forward to another busy term.



### **Diary Dates**

Please find attached our diary dates which have been updated for the next term. We do try to plan ahead to support parents with as much notice as possible about key dates and we do hope that you find this useful.

# **Collective Worship Theme - Justice**

During our Collective Worship this half term we will think about Justice; we will reflect on the British Value of Justice in terms of seeking rights for oneself and also about taking action on behalf of others. We will explore the idea that Justice builds a community where everyone's well-being is bound up with that of everyone else. Christians believe that without true Justice there cannot be true Peace and we will reflect on what this means in our school community, our homes and the wider world.

# Clubs

Clubs booking forms and information were sent home before Christmas. Do remember to book prior to the start of the club so numbers can be confirmed.

Important notice regarding Spanish Club - We have been asked to amend the information that was sent out regarding the Spanish Club. This club is for Year 2 – 6 and not Foundation,



Year 1 and 2 as originally stated. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. This club will resume on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January.

Also we have been contacted by School Clubs regarding the STEM club. Currently we are just short of their minimum pupil numbers needed to run this club. We will therefore NOT start on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January. If you wish to sign your child up for this club please do so asap using the link below so we know whether it will run or not, starting the following week. https://clubs.school/abbots-ripton



# A quick reminder – Picasso Swimming starts on Monday!

Picasso class start their swimming session on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January. Please ensure that you send your child into school with their swimming kit.



# **Application to Primary School for 2019**

Do you have a child, or do you know of someone, who is due to start school in September? The application process has now started and all applications need to be submitted to the admissions team in Cambridge by **January 15<sup>th</sup> 2019**. Further information is available from our website.

# Curriculum maps

The curriculum maps for your children will be coming home soon. Do have a look at what your child's class is focussing on this term and if you have any resources or experience which may support our learning please do let us know.



**Dinner Money – Payment required for any children in Year 3- 6** If your child is having a school meal and they are in KS2 (Years 3-6), the cost of meals this half term will be  $\pounds70.50$  (30 days @  $\pounds2.35$ ). If you wish to pay weekly the cost is  $\pounds11.75$ .

We are having a variety of special lunch menus over this term including an invitation for you to join us for lunch as this was so popular last year. Please look out for the booking flyers which will follow shortly.

### No Nuts!

Just a reminder that we are a <u>Nut Free School</u>. Please ensure that if you provide a packed lunch it contains no nut based products such as peanut butter etc.



#### Superhero dress up day!

The theme for this half term in Van Gogh and Monet classes is Superheroes and we would love your child to come to school dressed as a superhero next Friday ((11<sup>th</sup> January). Many thanks!

# Healthy Tuck Shop

We will not be running the Healthy Tuck Shop this half term as the School Council would like to relaunch this linked to Fairtrade Fortnight. This is a really good link with our Justice value as we will all think about the meaning of fair trade and what this means for others. More information will follow shortly.

# **Contact details**

Please let us know if you have changed any of your contact details e.g. telephone numbers etc. It is very important that we have the correct information on file for your child in case of emergency.





# Reminder about the Road closure

We have been informed by Anglian Water that due to necessary works the road between Abbots Ripton and the Tesco roundabout will be closed from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January for approximately 8 weeks. We are aware that this will cause disruption to the roads around our area so please allow extra time for your journey to and from school during this time.



<u>Diary Dates</u> Please see below the diary dates for the Spring 2019 term **Any new dates added in the future will be in bold and italics** 

Date	Event
11 <sup>th</sup> January	Van Gogh and Monet classes Superhero Day – Come dressed as
	a Superhero!
23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Family Worker – Parent Drop In Session 2 – 3pm
30 <sup>th</sup> January	SATs Information Parent meeting for Picasso class 2:40pm – 3:10pm
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Chinese New Year Lunch – booking required
5 <sup>th</sup> February	Young Voices concert at the O2 in London – Kandinsky and
	Picasso
6 <sup>th</sup> February	No Judo Club today
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Football Festival – All day St Ives
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Van Gogh Class assembly at 2.30pm followed by an invitation to
	see Learning Journeys in class - Everyone welcome
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Picasso Class Assembly at 2.45pm
13 <sup>th</sup> February	No Judo Club today
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	HALF TERM
February	
25 <sup>th</sup> February	Fair Trade Fortnight – School Council leading
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Rotary Club Competition – 7pm
7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – Dress up book characters day
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 7.30pm – booking details to follow
13 <sup>th</sup> March	No Judo Club today
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 5.30pm – booking details to follow
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
25 <sup>th</sup> March	Monet Class assembly at 2.45pm - Everyone welcome
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Football Festival – All day St Ives
29th March	STARS Mother's Day Shop in school
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Mums, Grandmas, Aunties Invitation to join us for lunch – booking
	form to follow
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Kandinsky Class assembly at 2.45pm - Everyone welcome
5 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Church Service at 2.30pm - Everyone welcome
5 <sup>th</sup> April	End of Spring Term
8 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter Holidays
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Teacher Training Day – School Closed
24 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer Term starts