



ABOYNE LODGE

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 19th April '24



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Welcome back from what I hope has been a restful Easter break. It has been lovely to see the children back in school, learning again.

Over the holidays, some of the staff were in school creating some new flower beds. The aim is to increase the bio-diversity within the school grounds and attract more insects and wildlife. Thank you to Mrs Handley and her husband for all their hard work, as well as the team who came in to help—it looks great. We were also lucky enough to be supported by Burston's and Aylett's nurseries who donated some plants to get us started.

Also, over the holidays, we were very lucky to have had the trees by the spare classroom cut back. They have been a real problem for us for a number of years - the leaves and bird droppings have made the green surface slippery and the council have done very little to help despite the trees being on their side of the fence. I would like to thank Mr McCarthy, for his generosity in organising this and his company, Cleshar for enabling it to happen. I am sad to say that the pirate ship has finally been retired.

Sadly the wood underneath had given up and it had to be removed. We are now aiming to raise money to develop that area as an Early Years/Year 1 outdoor area.

On Wednesday the some of the Year 4 & 5 footballers, took part in the schools 5-a-side tournament. We won a few and lost a few against some much bigger schools, overall placing third. Well played to all the children who took part.

This week, The year 4 and 5 children began an 8 week Science and D&T course at St Albans Boys School. It's great that they have the opportunity to use their labs and equipment and it's a good connection for us to have.

And finally, we were very pleased to see that Aboyne made the Times Top 500 State Primary Schools list. This puts us in the top 3% nationally for results, which we are very proud of. It's great to be recognised on the list, but what is even more important to all of us, is the caring ethos of the school and the community feel we have here. Please share our success with the wider community wherever you can.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Smithard

EFFORT CERTIFICATES

Mali Y5

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Back next week!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 22nd—Fri 26th April Y6 Mocks SATs week

Mon 22nd Apr—Open the book assembly

Tues 23rd—Y4/Y6 Swimming

Fri 26th Apr— ALSA Y2 Bake sale

Fri 26th Apr—ALSA Drag night

Wed 1st May—YR Health Check NHS

Thu 2nd May— YR classroom being used as a polling station.

**Dog Man
By Dav Pilkey
Birthday book from AdamY2**

BOOK OF THE WEEK



'It's the greatest book about a dog-headed cop ever written'

Messages from school office:

After School Clubs

There is still time to sign up for any of our after school clubs. Please check the club grid for contact information on how to sign up!

Gateway

Please check you are up to date with payments and consents on Gateway.

Uniform

Thinking ahead to September please get your order in as soon as you can!

ALSA notices

££££££ Grow a Pound ££££££

Thank you to all our entrepreneurs at Aboyne Lodge who raised an amazing £2,297 through the Grow a Pound initiative ☺.

If you have any outstanding fundraising money from the initiative, please add it to the just giving page below. Alternatively, if you weren't able to take part, please return your Pound to the school office.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/growapoundutm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page2Fgrowapound&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share

Key dates for your diaries:

Friday 26 April, Y2 Bake Sale after school ☺

Friday 26 April, Diamonds & Disco, over 18s only! 7.30pm-11.30pm, Aboyne Lodge School Hall

SAVE THE DATE ☺ Summer Fair

☺ Saturday June 8th 2-5pm Aboyne Lodge School

And more cake sales! ☺ 17 May, Y1 Bake Sale ** 28 June, YR Bake Sale

CALL TO ACTION!!

Lastly, a call out for any prize donations...

We are looking for prizes for our upcoming events if you have anything you can donate or have any ideas of who to ask...? A fundraising letter is available from the office.

