

## AAA Newsletter 6 – Term 1 – Autumn 2019

Dear Parent

### PST (Parents & Staff Together) Meeting & AAA Education Evening

Thank you to those of you who braved the wind and rain to attend our Education Evening last Thursday. We, the staff, always find these sessions useful and we were a little disappointed this year that so few parents managed to join us as the information we share with you, about the curriculum for your child through the year, has been very well received by parents in the past.

At the start of each academic year we deliver Education Curriculum evenings, detailing information about how and what we teach your children in and out of class.

It is also a great opportunity to mingle with some of the existing Parents & Staff Together team (PST) who, each year do a tremendous amount of organisation, putting on social and fund-raising gatherings, all for the benefit of our AAA children. Of course as some children move on at the end of the summer term, so we need to attract new parent-members to the team. So, if you can offer any time/skill to the team (however small the amount, it doesn't matter, it all helps) then we welcome you! Please let the school office know, or catch one of the team in the playground at the beginning or end of the school day.

### Reading & Phonics Sessions for all Parents of Reception Class Pupils & Parents New to KS1

Calling all parents of Reception Class pupils and parents new to KS1. Please join us for a Reading Session on **Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am in the Hall**. Please find time to attend and find out about how we teach your child to read! The session will last approximately 30 minutes led by Dr. Bull, Executive Headteacher, Mrs Trim, Assistant Headteacher and relevant members of the Literacy Team.

### Parent Teacher Consultations

You should have received a letter from your child's class teacher with their availability for Parent Teacher Consultations to be held during the week of 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Please make sure you sign and return your slip requesting your preferred time. If you have mislaid your letter, please call at the School Office for a copy.

### Book Week – 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019

The week after next will be our Book Week (21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October) when we celebrate books and everything that they can bring us! Our theme this year is 'Ecology.'

During Book Week we will be welcoming various authors and storytellers to school and will, as usual, have a book fair in the AAA Hall through the week. **Thursday evening (24<sup>th</sup> October)** will be our **Bedtime Story Evening** at Abbot Alphege Academy and on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup>** we invite children to come to school **dressed in something green** – if possible relating to a book about the environment.

Please look out for the **Book Week letter** and the Travelling Books (Book Fair) leaflet coming home via your child shortly.

### Apprenticeship Administrator Vacancy

We are advertising for an apprentice to join our school office either at WASPS or Abbot Alphege Academy. Please click on the following for information:

Weblink: <https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/-473772>

Closing Date: 20/10/2019.

### **REMINDER - Nasal flu vaccination – Electronic consent**

This year, the Immunisation Team will be offering the Flu vaccination to **all Primary aged children**. This will take place between October - December 2019 across Wiltshire, B&NES and Swindon and, as last year, the consent will need to be completed electronically.

In order to provide electronic consent for your child's Flu vaccination, please access the consent portal via the following link:

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/banes>

We would like to request that consent is provided as soon as possible as the link closes 7 – 14 days prior to the session in school. This link is secure; please **carefully** select your child's school from the drop down menu and this will ensure that the consent is in the right place. Full details and information to assist you in completing the consent is detailed on the portal including full FAQs, patient information and contact details should you wish to speak to a nurse regarding the nasal vaccination.

**If your child is medically vulnerable, early clinics will be available. Please contact the team to book in on 0300 247 0082.** If you have any difficulties or queries with this process, please do not hesitate to contact the team on 0300 247 0082. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Anne Bull

Executive Headteacher

and

Heads of School

Abbot Alphege Academy

### **COMMUNITY LINKS**

**Bath City Football Club** home fixtures, kick off 3pm – 12.12.19 v Maidstone United. 26.10.19 v Dorking Wanderers. 09.11.19 v Concord Rangers. Kick off your own tradition! For info visit [www.bathcityfc.com](http://www.bathcityfc.com)

**NEW Girls Football Coaching with SFC** – all abilities welcome. Free taster sessions. For info telephone Mark on 07855 756176 or visit [www.SoccerFootballCoaching.com](http://www.SoccerFootballCoaching.com)

**Bath University** – Crypto Maths Challenge 2019 in the Maths Dept. 4 West from 10am to 3pm on Friday 25th October & Saturday 26th October. Try your hand at cracking our ciphers and follow the clues on a hunt around campus. For further info click on the following link <http://bit.ly/CryptoMathsBath2019>

**Swainswick Explorers October half term holiday. Whole Day Adventures for 4\*-14 yr olds.** A mix of adventurous days out exploring wild places, biking days in Bath and a sewing & textiles day (8yrs - 16yrs). £40 for the day, all food provided. Details and booking online at: [www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk](http://www.swainswickexplorers.co.uk).

**B&NES Bikeability** school holiday & weekend training offers. All courses to be held at Odd Down Cycle Circuit in Bath. To find out more about Bikeability and the holiday courses please visit [www.bathnes.gov.uk/getactive](http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/getactive) - click on cycling and then find Bikeability in the list. If you have any questions, please call The Bikeability Team on 01225 396427.

**Royal High School, Bath** - Open Day, Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October. RHS are looking forward to welcoming families to meet Mrs Kate Reynolds, the new Head, and take a look around the School. Please email: [admissions@rhsb.gdst.net](mailto:admissions@rhsb.gdst.net) if you would like to attend.

**All Saints Church, All Hallows Eve Family Meal.** All are invited to an alternative to modern Halloween celebrations without scary costumes and tricks. Come together for children's activities, a family meal...and sweets! 5pm - 7pm on 31.10.19 at Weston Hub. Tickets: £5 adults, £2 Children available from the church website. For more info contact: [phil@allsaintsweston.org.uk](mailto:phil@allsaintsweston.org.uk)