

Abram Bryn Gates Primary School Newsletter

Tuesday 4th May 2021



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Summer term curriculum

You should have received a copy of your child's class newsletter. They are all on the website if you need to refer to them. Before the Easter break the children completed a series of assessments using quizzes, questioning and your child's work to identify successes and gaps in learning from January to March. They also reviewed curriculum coverage from March 2020 to identify any gaps since the pandemic began. Each class is now working on a bespoke plan to ensure that they have the knowledge and skills needed to move to the next stage of their education. In a few weeks' time the children will be assessed again in a similar way so plans can be adapted quickly if necessary. Later in June children in years 1-6 will sit more formal assessments (age appropriately) to give us a view of their progress across the year and inform the end of year reports. Although this all sounds very serious, we will build these assessments lessons so they are not stressful or onerous. Most children don't realise they are being assessed! If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher via Class Dojo. Mrs Green and Mrs Talbot are also available if needed.

Parental support

Please help your child by listening to them read at least three times a week at home. In KS 2 homework such as TTrackstars, Century, Reading Plus and spellings are also carefully designed to increase the progress your child makes and help to reduce the impact of the last year. We would appreciate your support in ensuring that your child completes work as requested.

Additional dates for the term:

Wednesday 14 th July 2021	End of year reports sent home
Thursday 15 th July 2021	Sports day – for children only
Wednesday 21 st July 2021	End of term

Dogs

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school site. We have received a number of complains about the amount of dogs that are on the pavement outside the gates at the end of the day as they are making some children anxious.

School safety processes

Although there have been changes to national guidance, school guidance remains the same. We are still working in class bubbles with each group maintaining a 2m distance between each other. Staff wear masks when not in the classroom. We are still only allowed to have essential visitors on site and cannot hold assemblies in the hall. I will update you when our guidance changes. The risk assessment is available on the website.

Birthdays

The children can come to school in their own clothes on their birthday. If their birthday is at the weekend or in the holiday they can choose either the Friday before or Monday after. The children have enjoyed this treat this year so this is one change we will keep from now on.

Work for children to complete if they have to isolate

If your child needs to be off school to isolate the class teacher will provide work on Class Dojo. Your child will also be able to attend some lessons live on Teams. Work must be uploaded to either Class Dojo or Teams for the teacher to mark. *Children who are poorly do not have to complete the work.*

Parent Governors

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Karen Chadwick and Mrs Emma Jennings have taken up the role of parent governors. They bring a wide range of skills and knowledge that will strengthen the leadership of the school.

Uniform

Now that the shops are open fully again the children MUST come to school in full uniform. PE kit is also uniform so please ensure that your child is wearing a red t-shirt with navy tracksuit bottoms, shorts or a jumper/hoodie. Branded tracksuits in any colour are not acceptable. This policy will be enforced and children may be provided with spare kit to wear if frequent reminders are ignored.