



Waverley Abbey School



School Newsletter

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HEAD'S UPDATE

It is hard to believe we are already at the last newsletter of the academic year – this week when I led assembly we looked back to our first assembly of the year where our 'end of year reports' were completely blank sheets of white paper. I asked the children to think about what had happened this year, both good and bad and to reflect on both these things. We then discussed how proud our community make us feel, and the confidence and solidarity we feel in being part of a wider group.

The Waverley Abbey community is something that I feel immensely proud to be part of. Your children continue to be a credit to both you and to us! At this time of year, we also reflect on our changing community. Ms. Redman, who has led our school superbly, moving on to new challenges and, as you will have heard yesterday, Mrs Johnson coming in to support and challenge us from September.

May I take this opportunity to wish Ms. Redman well in her new role and also to warmly welcome Mrs Johnson to the Waverley Abbey family. We have exciting times ahead!

On Wednesday next week we will also bid farewell to our Year 6 pupils. Their unique contributions to our school will not be forgotten and we wish them every success in their next school.

Thank you to all who have supported us over the past year; your contributions enable us to be best that we can be. I wish everyone a very happy (and sunny) summer break and we look forward to welcoming our pupils back again at the beginning of September.

Rebecca Marshall - Head of School

School Sports News

District Sports: Congratulations to our District sports team and PE coach Mr Cassim who have been crowned 2019 athletics champions! As a school we also won the field events in their own right.

This is no mean feat and a true reflection of the extra hours Mr Cassim puts into training the team. We even had some secondary school PE teachers commentating in the faultless transitions during the upper school relays.

Cricket: The Year 5 Boys Kwik Cricket team reached the County Finals which was held at Sunbury Cricket Ground. They won their group winning all their games and progressed to the knock out phase of the competition. They were knocked out in the semi-final. A great achievement for the Year 5 team!

..and finally, the school was recently awarded the the platinum accreditation from The School Games Mark. This is what they had to say....

“Waverley Abbey School does a tremendous job involving their pupils in the planning and development of their competition offer. The dedication they have in using the sports leaders not just to provide additional opportunities but also as a huge growth opportunity and chance for them to reflect on their improving skills is fantastic practice. Having been a GOLD school for the past four years Waverley Abbey has not rested on its laurels and continues to go from strength to strength, empowering their children with not just a sporting habit for life, but also fostering great relationships with physical activity in general! Well worthy of the prestigious PLATINUM award”. Ally Reid, School Games Organiser, South Surrey.

Other good news

Pippa in Year 5 took part in her first National Competition for synchronised swimming in the Under 12 category and came 3rd in her age group. This is a huge achievement; her coach has said “Pippa was amazing; her team blew us away with their performance. 3rd Best in the country at their first national competition... I think they have a very bright future ahead in the sport.” Well done Pip.

Golden Boot Winner - Theo in 4CM, who plays football as a midfielder and striker for the under 9s Gladiators team at Badshot Lea FC received the ‘Golden Boot Trophy’ for scoring the most goals for his team (23 goals!). A great sporting achievement, congratulations!

School News:



Raising the Roof

“Big Swim”

The Waverley Abbey Big Swim takes place on Monday 22nd July. This is the final push towards the £150k target for the swimming pool enclosure. 175 Children will be aiming to swim 500 lengths. If your child has entered you are welcome to come and support them – timings as follows:

Year 3: 9:00am - 9:40am **Year 4:** 9:40am - 10:40am

Year 5: 10:20am - 11:20am **Year 6:** 11:00am - 12:00pm

Swimming pool enclosure update:

The funding is almost in place now and we are in the process of obtaining the various permissions to enable us to proceed with the new enclosure. Our aim is that building works will commence once swimming closes for the season in October.

Summer Reading Challenge

If children would like to participate in the Farnham Library Summer Reading Challenge, all they need to do is register at their local Surrey Library and read 6 library books and visit the library regularly over the holidays, collecting stickers and incentives along the way.

Please encourage your children to visit the library and sign up over the holidays and see the difference the summer reading challenge makes for them.

School Meals & Waves

School Meals: All meal refunds for year 6s are either refunded in cash for small amounts or, for larger amounts, an online refund will be issued if the original payment was made this way or by cheque.

Waves: Credits on accounts for year 6 leavers at the end of term will be transferred to siblings where possible, or payments made online will be refunded online.

Autumn Term Clubs

The online booking for Autumn Term clubs will open on Monday 22nd July.

Waverley Abbey clubs will commence on Monday 23rd September and finish at the end of the Autumn Term on Friday 13th December.

Clubs will then recommence after the October half term on Monday 4th November.

External providers will start on different dates – these dates are shown on the clubs timetable.

A note regarding girl's football for years 5 & 6 – The club will be run slightly differently this year but details have not yet been finalised. Andrew Hall from Churt FC is dealing with this and we will send out booking information as soon as we can.

Medicines

If your child has medicine in school, don't forget to pick up on the last day of term!

Diary Dates for the Autumn Term

July

22nd

Big Swim

Year 6 Disco

23rd

Ms Redman last assembly

24th

Year 6 Leavers Assembly (12.45pm)

24th

End of Term - 1.30pm finish

Sept

4th

Back to school

10th

Year 4 Meet the teacher

11th

Year 3 Meet the teacher

New parents tea

12th

Y6 Shakespeare Workshop

Year 5 Meet the teacher

13th

Year 6 Meet the teacher

20th

Year 3 Parents evening

21st

Triathlon

23rd

Waverley Abbey clubs start

30th

Open morning

Oct

4th

Open morning

25th

Inset day