



Dear Parents/Carers, pupils and staff,

I cannot believe how quickly this year has past! How can it already be December 1st already?!?! As you are aware, we have a very busy schedule for December at ABP – please be sure to check the 'Dates for your diary' section at the end of the newsletter for all upcoming events/times etc.

Fundraising - Year 6 Charity Bake Sale: We are thrilled to share the fantastic news from last Friday's event – Year 6 held an incredible Bake Sale that was nothing short of a sweet success! The air was filled with the delightful aroma of freshly baked goods, and the school buzzed with excitement as students, teachers, and parents alike indulged in some mouthwatering treats.



Year 6 are pleased to announce that the Bake Sale was not only a treat for the taste buds but also a triumph for charity. Thanks to the generosity of everyone who participated, we were able to raise a substantial amount of money that will go towards supporting a worthy cause. This exemplifies the kindness and community spirit that defines our ABP family.

Fundraising – Year 4 sponsored exercise: congratulations to the fantastic Year 4 students for successfully completing their sponsored exercise in support of JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). The enthusiasm, dedication, and energy displayed by our young participants, truly made this sponsored event a resounding success.

Stay tuned for the upcoming newsletters, where we will announce the grand total and celebrate the collective achievement of our school community.



Arthur Bugler Facebook... We are pleased to announce that Arthur Bugler's Facebook page is set to make a return in the next few weeks! This means that you can look forward to a renewed source of information, updates, and engaging content directly from the heart of our school community.

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In addition to the return of Facebook, we want to assure you that we will continue to utilise the X platform (formerly Twitter) as part of our communication strategy. We believe in maintaining a diverse range of channels to cater to the preferences and convenience of our school

As we embark on this exciting journey of reconnecting and sharing, we invite you to join us on both Facebook and X to stay informed and engaged with all things Arthur Bugler. Your support and participation are invaluable, and we look forward to building an even stronger sense of community through these platforms.



IMPORTANT - PE lessons: As we approach the winter months, we would like to remind you about the necessity for all children to have an outdoor PE kit.

Due to the unavailability of our school halls, all PE sessions will be conducted outdoors during the winter season. It is crucial that your child comes prepared for the weather conditions to ensure their comfort and safety during these sessions.

Thank you in advance for your support on this matter.



Parking in the community: Recently, there has been a concern raised about parking in the local community. We kindly request your cooperation in ensuring that when parking in the local area, you do so considerately. This includes avoiding blocking driveways, maintaining a safe distance from turnings, and being mindful of grass verges.

By parking responsibly, we can contribute to the smooth flow of traffic, ensure the safety of pedestrians, and foster positive relations with our neighbours. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



A message from the PTA! Get ready for some festive joy! The Christmas lights display at 277 Southend Road SS17 8HD will illuminate the season starting from Saturday, 2nd December.

This year, the wonderful occupants of this address have decided to make the holiday season even more special by supporting a local charity that is close to our hearts—the Arthur Bugler Primary School PTA.

The past few months have presented unique challenges for our school. Despite the hurdles, the school have risen above and beyond, demonstrating resilience and dedication. Unfortunately, changes to rules on RAAC have

affected Arthur Bugler, leading to the loss of the entire upper school. This has presented unforeseen challenges, impacting the ability of the PTA to organise many events this Christmas, including the much-loved fete.

By enjoying the beautiful Christmas lights at 277 Southend Road, you're not only treating yourself to a festive spectacle but also contributing to a meaningful cause.

Christmas performances 4th – 15th December: As we approach the festive season, we are thrilled to invite you to our upcoming Christmas performances. To ensure a pleasant & safe experience for all attendees, we kindly request your cooperation with our seating risk assessment.

Please note that each child is allocated a maximum of 2 seats per performance. We understand the excitement surrounding these events, but we must adhere to this limit to accommodate as many families as possible (remember – each class has 2 performances!)

Regrettably, we will be unable to fulfill requests for additional seats beyond the allocated two per child. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter, as it allows us to create a fair, safe and enjoyable experience for all attendees.



(Please note! - We will be turning the generator off during each performance in order to hear the students performances without interruption – so please add an extra layer of clothing... just in case!)

Well done to... Dexter! I'm thrilled to share some incredible news about Dexter – he has emerged as a runner-up in the Blue Peter Doctor Who Competition! Out of a thousands of entries, Dexter's poster secured a spot in the Top 10 of the 5-8 age category and an impressive Top 30 overall. What an outstanding achievement!

Dexter's creativity, hard work, and attention to detail truly shone through in his design, earning him well-deserved recognition. His poster was even featured on this week's episode of Blue Peter, a testament to the exceptional quality of his entry.

To commemorate his success, Dexter will be receiving an Orange Blue Peter Competition Winners badge, a symbol of his accomplishment. Additionally, he will be awarded a Limited Edition Doctor Who Blue Peter badge, making this achievement all the more special. Well done Dexter!



Lastly... A BIG thank you to the PTA and their helpers! As we wrap up another week at ABP, we want to extend our 'thanks' to the wonderful PTA and all the dedicated helpers who made this year's School Christmas Shop a resounding success!

The festive spirit was truly alive as our young shoppers explored the delightful array of gifts. Those who are lucky enough to receive a gift will not be disappointed by the wonderful choices made by the children!

Yours sincerely,
Mr R Turner
 Headteacher

	This week the Attendance Trophies have been awarded to		
	Lower School	Class 5	99.03 %
	Upper School	Class 8	98.62 %
	Whole School		92.70 %
Congratulations to all classes			

	<p>Safeguarding Concerns</p> <p>If you ever have any safeguarding concerns please contact the office via email using. The email should be for the attention of a Designated Safeguarding Lead. As a school we have a responsibility to keep everyone safe so please get in touch sooner rather than later if you are concerned.</p>
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	<p>LETTERS SENT HOME / E-MAILED THIS WEEK</p> <p>Class 7 - Teaching update Year 6 - Visit to Imperial War Museum</p>
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<p>SANTA'S GROTTO</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">*****CANCELLED*****</p> <p>Unfortunately, the PTA have had to Sancel the Santa's Grotto sessions due to a lack of volunteers.</p>
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Dates for your Diary

December 2023	
Monday 4 th December	9.10am - Class 5 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 6 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 7 Christmas performance
Tuesday 5 th December	9.10am - Class 3 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 4 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 8 Christmas performance
Wednesday 6 th December	9.10am - Class 9 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 10 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 13 Christmas performance
Thursday 7 th December	9.10am - Class 1 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 2 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 14 Christmas performance

Friday 8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day 9.10am - Class 11 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 12 Christmas performance
Monday 11 th December 2023	9.10am - Class 4 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 3 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 9 Christmas performance
Tuesday 12 th December	9.10am - Class 2 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 1 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 10 Christmas performance Christmas Dinners - Reception, yr1, yr2 & yr3 (usual lunchtime)
Wednesday 13 th December	9.10am - Class 7 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 8 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 11 Christmas performance Christmas Dinners - yr4, yr5 & yr6 (usual lunchtime)
Thursday 14 th December	9.10am - Class 6 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 5 Christmas performance 2.15pm - Class 12 Christmas performance
Friday, 15 th December 2023	9.10am - Class 13 Christmas performance 10.40am - Class 14 Christmas performance
Monday, 18 th December 2023	2.55-3.25pm - School Choir - Carols on the Green (Raising money for St Luke's Hospice)
Tuesday 19 th December 2023	2.55-3.25pm - School Choir - Carols on the Green (Raising money for St Luke's Hospice)
Wednesday 20 th December	Last day of term
w/c 25th December	Christmas holidays
January 2024	
Thursday 4 th January	INSET Day - school closed
Friday 5 th January	INSET Trust Conference Day - school closed
Monday 8 th January	Children return to school
w/c 15 th January	Aspirations Week
23/24 th January	Grandparents' day
w/c 29 th January	Multicultural week
February 2024	
w/c 11th February	Safety week
Friday 16 th February	Last day of half term
w/c 19th February	Half term

Monday 26 th February	Children return to school
March 2024	
w/c 4 th March	Reading and writing week
w/c 4 th March	Sponsored read
Friday 8 th March	World Book Day – dress up
Monday 11 th March	Early Years Mother’s Day celebration 2pm
w/c 11 th March	Science Week
Wednesday 13 th March	SEND parent/carer meetings (from 3.30pm)
Friday 22 nd March	Spring Term Reports to parents
Tuesday 26 th March	Class 9 Easter Assembly 2.15pm
Wednesday 27 th March	Class 10 Easter Assembly 2.15pm
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
April 2024	
w/c 1 st April	Easter Holidays
w/c 8 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 15 th April	Children return to school
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th April	Year 5 Isle of Wight Residential
May 2024	
Monday 6 th May	May Bank Holiday
w/c 13 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs (no holidays)
Friday 24 th May	Last day of half term
w/c 27 th May	Half term
June 2024	
Monday 3 rd June	Children return to school
w/c 3 rd June	Maths Week
Monday 17 th June	Early Years Father’s Day celebration
w/c 17 th June	Sport, Health and Fitness Week
Wednesday 19 th June	Sports Day
Thursday 20 th June	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 25 th June	Y6 SEND parent/carer meetings (from 3.30pm)
Wednesday 26 th June	SEND parent/carer meetings (from 3.30pm)
July 2024	
w/c 1 st July	Transition week (TBC)
Friday 5 th July	SEND paperwork due to CE
Friday 12 th July	Summer Term Reports to parents

Class numbers/teachers:

Reception	Class 1 = Mrs Cooper	Class 2 = Mrs Rushen
Year 1	Class 3 = Miss Pugh	Class 4 = Mrs Thurston
Year 2	Class 5 = Miss Lowther	Class 6 = Mrs Casal
Year 3	Class 7 = Miss Anderson	Class 8 = Mrs Seshie
Year 4	Class 9 = Mr Heard	Class 10 = Mrs Scott
Year 5	Class 11 = Mrs Matthews/ Mrs Cordell	Class 12 = Mrs Smith/ Mrs Dhaled
Year 6	Class 13 = Mrs Livingstone	Class 14 = Miss McGoldrick