

Dear Parents/Carers, Students and Staff,



Welcome to this week's newsletter! With Easter upon us, we pause to celebrate amidst the hustle and bustle of another eventful half term at ABP. Even though staff and children are tired from a busy half-term, our commitment to providing the best education and engaging our community in school life has continued until the very end. Read on to find out what fantastic things have happened at ABP this week...



Happy Retirement Mrs Byrne! Yesterday, we said farewell to Mrs. Byrne, who has devoted an incredible 26 years of her life to Arthur Bugler Primary School. Her contributions to our school community have been truly extraordinary, and we want to take this moment to express our deepest appreciation.

In recognition of Mrs. Byrne's outstanding service, we gathered for a special assembly to celebrate her achievements. It was a special occasion as we reminisced about the lives she has touched and the lasting legacy she leaves behind.

As Mrs. Byrne begins this new chapter in her life, we extend our warmest wishes for a retirement filled with joy and happiness. Your well-earned rest has finally arrived, Mrs. Byrne!

Wishing you every happiness in your retirement, Mrs. Byrne!

PTA - Easter Celebrations: This week, the spirit of Easter came alive at ABP thanks to our incredible PTA. Through their dedication and commitment, they organised memorable celebrations for our students.

The highlight of the week was undoubtedly the visit from the Easter Bunny! Thanks to the PTA, every child at ABP received a special Easter treat from our furry friend. The excitement and joy on the faces of our students were truly heartwarming. In addition to the Easter Bunny's visit, our PTA organised a spectacular Easter bonnet parade for the children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2. The effort and creativity poured into these bonnets were evident as the children proudly strutted their stuff on the Easter runway. It was a moment of pride for both the children and their families.

But the Easter fun didn't stop there! Students in Years 3-6 showcased their artistic talents by creating a plethora of Easter-themed crafts. The variety and quality of the crafts were astounding, showcasing the depth of creativity within our school community. A big congratulations to all the participants for their hard work and imaginative contributions.



As we wrap up this week filled with Easter joy, let's extend our thanks to our PTA for making it all possible. Their dedication and tireless efforts truly enrich the experiences of our students at ABP.



Next PTA meeting: We would like to inform you about our upcoming Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) meeting, where we will be discussing and organising our exciting Summer Fete!

Date: Thursday, April 18th

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: ABP School

During the meeting, we'll be planning various activities, stalls, and entertainment for the Summer Fete. This is a fantastic opportunity to get involved and contribute ideas to make the event a memorable one for our school community.

We welcome everyone to attend, whether you're a seasoned PTA member or a new face wanting to get involved. Your input and support are highly valued.

Please mark your calendars and join us at 7:00 PM on Thursday, April 18th, at ABP School. Together, let's make this Summer Fete a tremendous success!

Year 4 School Trip - Thames Nature Reserve: I am thrilled to share with you the wonderful experience our Year 4 students had on their recent school trip to Thameside Nature Discovery Park this past Tuesday.

Our young explorers embarked on a day filled with adventure and discovery, immersing themselves in the beauty of nature and the fascinating world of rivers. Throughout the day, they enthusiastically participated in a variety of activities, engaging both their minds and bodies. It's incredible to note that they walked over 8 kilometres, truly embodying the spirit of exploration and curiosity!

The trip served as an invaluable extension of our curriculum, enriching the children's understanding of rivers and the natural world in a hands-on and immersive way. Witnessing the excitement and wonder on their faces as they learned and explored was truly heartwarming.

None of this would have been possible without the dedication and support of our staff and helpers – thank you to all who made the trip a huge success!

Congratulations – Out of school achievements!



🏆 Isla & Amber have secured victory in the age 8 and under street dance championships with their incredible dance team, Blaze. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!

👏 Ellise and Scarlett showcased their talents in a mesmerizing show with their dance school last Saturday. Ellise's bravery shone through as she took on a solo song performance in front of a large audience of 200 people for the very first time. We applaud their dedication and hard work, recognised with well-deserved medals.



🏆 Last but certainly not least, a huge round of applause for Lily, who clinched the gold in her recent diving competition! Lily's exceptional performance has earned her a spot in the upcoming national championships this July. We wish her the best of luck in her preparations!



As always, If you would like your child's accomplishments outside of school celebrated, please send an email to the school office at admin.abp@osborne.coop, and we will do our best to include them in future newsletters!



Safeguarding Children During School Holidays: Important Contact Information:

As the Easter holidays draw near, it's crucial to ensure the safety and well-being of children outside of school hours. If you have any concerns regarding a child's welfare during this time, knowing who to reach out to is essential.

If you are worried about a child, please do not hesitate to contact the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). They are equipped to handle concerns and take appropriate action to ensure the safety of the child.

Thurrock MASH: 01375 652802

Thurrock Council Emergency Duty Team (out of hours): 01375 372468.

For further information, please visit the following link: <https://www.thurrocklscp.org.uk/p/worried-about-a-child>

Your vigilance and prompt action can make a significant difference in safeguarding children during the holidays. Thank you for your commitment to ensuring the well-being of our community's children.


Lastly...




As spring blossoms around us, it brings with it the joyous celebration of Easter. It's a time of renewal, hope, and the promise of brighter days ahead.

We at Arthur Bugler would like to extend our warmest wishes to you and your loved ones on this special occasion. May this Easter fill your hearts with peace, love, and happiness.

Yours sincerely,
Mr R Turner
Headteacher

	This week the Attendance Trophies have been awarded to		
	Lower School	Class 7	100 %
	Upper School	Class 11	98.67 %
	Whole School		95.88 %
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>EYFS – Wow Day Starter (Animal Safari) PTA – Clothes Donation Poster All Years Groups - New Spring Menu Year 5 – Recorder Letter Year 6 - Bikeability Letter Year 4 – Bikeability Letter</p>
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Dates for your Diary

<u>March 2024</u>	
w/c 4 th March	Reading and writing week
w/c 4 th March	Sponsored read
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day – dress up
Monday 11 th March	Early Years Mother’s Day celebration 2.00pm
w/c 11 th March	Science Week
Wednesday 13 th March	SEND parent/carer meetings (from 3.30pm)
Tuesday 26 th April	Year 4 – Nature Reserve
Tuesday 26 th March	Parents Evening 3.30-7pm
Wednesday 27 th March	Parents Evening 3.30-7pm
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
<u>April 2024</u>	
w/c 1 st April	Easter Holidays
w/c 8 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 15 th April	Children return to school
Tuesday 16 th April	Year 5 – Learn to Ride (Thurrock Council)
Thursday 18 th April	Year 2 – Leeds Castle Trip
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th April	Year 5 - Isle of Wight Residential
Monday 22 nd & Tuesday 23 rd April 2024	Year 1 – Scooter Training
<u>May 2024</u>	

Monday 6 th May	May Bank Holiday
w/c 13 th May	Key Stage 2 SATs (no holidays)
Monday 20 th May	Bikeability Year 6 am & pm
Tuesday 21 st May	Bikeability Year 6 am & pm
Wednesday 22 nd May	Bikeability Year 6 am & pm
Friday 24 th May 2024	Bikeability Year 6 am & pm
Friday 24 th May	Last day of half term
w/c 27th May	Half term
<u>June 2024</u>	
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 (time tbc)
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 25 th June	Class Photos
Wednesday 26 th June	SEND parent/carer meetings (from 3.30pm)
Wednesday 26 th - Friday 28 th June	Year 6 Mersea residential
<u>July 2024</u>	
w/c 1st July	Transition week (tbc)
Friday 12 th July	Summer Term Reports to parents