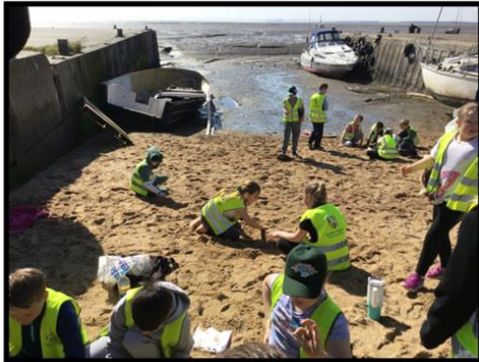




Dear Parents/Carers, students and staff,

Welcome to this week's newsletter! Keep reading to find out all the wonderful things that have happened inside and outside ABP this week!

Year 4 Curriculum enrichment – Chalkwell/Leigh-On-Sea (Geography):



Year 4 had a wonderful time soaking up the sunshine during their visit to Chalkwell and Leigh beaches on Thursday. As they explored the coastal environment, they observed signs of erosion and scattered debris, deepening their understanding of natural processes. It was delightful to hear them enthusiastically discussing the Estuary, connecting their discoveries to our ongoing Geography topic. A big thank you to the staff and volunteers for their time and effort in making this enriching curriculum experience possible!

Reception & Year 1 – Reverend Tom Visit (RE / PSHE):

Reverend Tom visited Reception and Year One on Thursday, sharing insights about his job, his role in caring for the community, teaching, and the significance of his clothing. He also took time to look after Mrs. Gray, showing the children how we support and care for one another. The children were excited to ask lots of questions and were especially fascinated by his unique clothes and scarves. They enjoyed learning about the different aspects of his role, and it sparked many interesting conversations among children.

A sincere thank you to Reverend Tom for taking the time to visit ABP and share his insights, helping to enrich our curriculum and provide a meaningful learning experience for our young learners.



PE & Sport Update (Mr Heard):



Netball - The girls played their first game of the season at Herd Lane and triumphed with an impressive 12-1 victory! Their phenomenal skill and tactical awareness on the court were truly something to behold. We couldn't be prouder of their performance! A huge thank you to Mrs. Coates and Mr. Heard for their dedication and for coaching the team to success.

Football - In a nail-biting league playoff match, the girls' A team lost 2-1 to Corringham, meaning they will unfortunately not make it through to represent the Eastern League at the Borough finals. However, there is still plenty to celebrate as they finished as joint league champions, remaining unbeaten in the regular season! The match was fierce and competitive, with both teams giving their all. A

special shout-out goes to Grace, who was named Player of the Match for her deadly shooting, despite the heroic efforts of the opposing goalkeeper. Congratulations to the whole team for an incredible season!



Indoor Athletics - At the time of writing, this event has not yet taken place, but we would like to wish the Year 3 & 4 athletics team the best of luck for the Indoor Athletics competition, which is due to take place today (Friday, 21st March). We'll be sure to share a full report on their performance in next week's newsletter.

Weekly Reading Winners (Golden Tickets) - This weeks winners...

Lower school: **Class 8 (40)**

Upper School: **Class 14 (28)**



Reading is a vital skill, and we take pride in celebrating our readers every Friday during our weekly celebration assembly. Please support us by encouraging your child to read regularly at home and by signing their reading record. Each completed read brings them closer to earning golden tickets—let's work together to inspire a love for reading!

Weekly Attendance Winners - A huge congratulations to this week's top attending classes!



Lower school: **Class – 4, 5 & 8 (all 99%!)**

Upper School: **Class – 10 & 12 (99%)**

Regular attendance is crucial for a strong education, helping children stay on track with their learning and progress. **Every school day counts!** However, if your child is unwell or unable to attend, please remember that it is your responsibility to inform the school as early as possible.

Thank you for your continued support in making attendance a priority!

Congratulations - Out of school achievements! A huge round of applause to the following students for their remarkable accomplishment outside of school over the past week. You continue to make us proud with your dedication, talent, and hard work!

- Congratulations to Luke, who was awarded the Chief Scouts Bronze Award this week—what an outstanding achievement!
- Ava also competed in a rhythmic gymnastics event in Birmingham on Sunday with her club, South Essex Gymnastics Club. She finished 2nd in the entire East Region and 17th overall in Great Britain. Truly an amazing accomplishment!



If you would like your child's accomplishments outside of school celebrated in our newsletter, please email us at admin.abp@osborne.coop, and we'll do our best to include them in future editions. Keep reaching for the stars!

Science Week – Posters:



Mrs. Seshie would like to express her appreciation to all the children who submitted posters for last week's Science Week. The quality of entries has been exceptional. Thank you for encouraging your children to explore the themes further through their creative posters. Above are just some of the wonderful posters.

Arthur Bugler PTA – Upcoming events:

The PTA will be selling Mother's Day gifts throughout next week. These gifts can be purchased from your child's class teacher for £2 each, with a limit of one per child. Thank you for your continued support of the school and the PTA.



Exciting Events and Learning at Arthur Bugler!

As we step into the coming weeks and months, we're thrilled to share some key dates and events. These are just a glimpse of what's ahead! To stay fully informed about the wonderful learning experiences and community activities/events at Arthur Bugler, please refer to specific letters and School Comms.

Date:	Activity/ Event	
Friday 21 st March	Yr3/4 Indoor athletics competition (squad)	Yr3&4
Tuesday 25 th March	Yr1 Curriculum enrichment trip Yr2 Curriculum enrichment trip (Maldon)	Year 1
Monday 31 st – Tuesday 1 st April	Year 4 – Level 1 – Bikeability	Year 4
Monday 31 st March	PTA Easter Bonnet competition (KS1) Deadline PTA Easter Deorated egg competition (KS2) Deadline	KS1 & KS2
Tuesday 1 st April	PTA Easter Bonnet Parade (2.30pm) – lower playground (parents/carers welcome)	KS1
Tuesdat 1 st April & Wednesday 2 nd April (3.30 – 7pm)	Parent/ Carer Evenings (10 minute appointments) Booked via MCAS app (see office information)	ALL



Safeguarding: Online safety guide for parents/carers – WhatsApp

WhatsApp, a social messaging app by Meta, is used by over 2.7 billion people each month. It allows users to connect through their mobile network, Wi-Fi, or broadband via WhatsApp Web. With features like text, voice, and video messaging, as well as voice and video calls, users can easily share information and documents. While WhatsApp is intended for users aged 13 and older, many younger children also use it. Let's ensure they do so safely.

WhatsApp safety guide for parents

internet matters.org

13+
WhatsApp's minimum age in the UK

58%
Kids aged 3-17 who use WhatsApp

37%
Kids under 13 who use WhatsApp

5 tips to keep kids safe on WhatsApp

- 1 Review privacy settings** WhatsApp has a range of privacy and security settings to keep users safe. Customise groups, app access, live location and more.
- 2 Customise contacts** Show your child how to report and block unwanted contacts. Then, work with them to add their friends and family. Review and talk about their contacts regularly.
- 3 Talk about personal information** Make sure your child understands what personal information is. Talk about the importance of keeping that information private on WhatsApp.
- 4 Show them where to get support** If something goes wrong or they see something worrying on WhatsApp, make sure they know to come to you, and talk about other sources of support.
- 5 Check in regularly** Once you've done all of the above, check in with them regularly to review settings and how they use WhatsApp.

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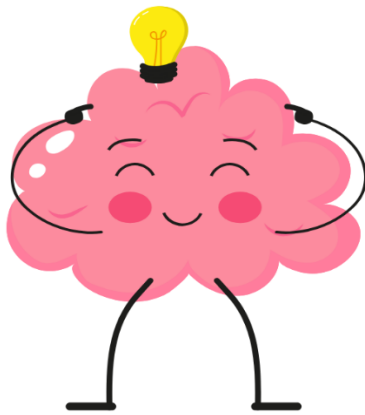
Thurrock SEND event – SATURDAY 22nd MARCH



Thurrock SEND Family Forum & Mcdworks CIC



Neurodivergent, Downsyndrome & BSL Awareness Event -22nd of March



Everyone is welcome
2-4pm
Arts n Crafts
Networking
Light refreshments

We are all

Different

Block A Maple
St Andrews way
Stanford le Hope
SS17 0FL

LET'S CELEBRATE OUR DIFFERENCES

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Mr R Turner
Headteacher

**MOMENTS
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