



ABBOTSHOLME

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Weekly Newsletter ~ keeping you 'in touch'

Tuesday 21 January 2020

News

Prep School

Prep school had a great time at Derby Arena, just before Christmas when they went to watch Peter Pan. It was a fantastic show, which the children thoroughly enjoyed across all year groups from Reception to Year 6. It was generously supported by our Abbotsholme Parents Association this year and was greatly appreciated by all the children. Our very own Mr Moon was also involved, having been selected from the audience to participate in the performance!



Prep children have a range of activities that they sometimes have the option to take part in. **Lego Club** is one of these. They also have activities such as fitness, Pom Pom making, Mindfulness, Science Club, Kung Fu, Goblin Car, Craft, Art and Games. Children also work with Year 11 as part of their IDEALS programme on a Friday. This is where Year 11, run activities for Prep children in reading, drama or homework support.



On a bright frosty morning, Years 1 & 2 set off for a visit to **'World of Wedgwood'** at

Barlaston. We spent the day viewing the various processes involved in making the famous Wedgwood cups, plates and vases. We also did a museum trail and learned about the family of Josiah Wedgwood. After lunch, the children painted a pot, designing their own patterns and these were then packed up to take home. It was a lovely day out and we were looked after so well by the staff at Wedgwood.



Senior School

The **Abbotsholme Bees**  are alive and well, huddling together for warmth. At this time of year they make a tight cluster and vibrate their wing muscles to generate heat. Year 7 helped to add some fondant to the top of the hive. This is in case they run out of honey stores. We left plenty of honey on the hive so there's little chance of this, but we thought we'd rather be safe than sorry. We're planning on increasing the number of colonies we maintain next year, with at least one more arriving in the spring that we've adopted from a beekeeper that's unable to look after them anymore.



Last Saturday evening Mrs Woolley & Mrs Moore opened up the cooking room for the **boarders**. Students had a lot of fun weighing ingredients, whisking and cooking chocolate brownies. Our students then went back to their boarding houses to share them with friends. Well done all!



Congratulations to Old Abbotsholmian Nils Priestley who has signed a one-year deal with Derbyshire County Cricket Club



Notices

Friday 24 January
Mufti & Dress as an animal day
£1 for WWF

This term the Sixth Form are raising money in aid of WWF, World Wide Fund for Nature. WWF works to conserve endangered species, protect endangered spaces, and address global threats to the planet such as climate change.

Please help Prep and Senior School pupils to support the Sixth Form in raising money for this vital cause. Students can either wear their own clothes or dress as an animal for the day on Friday 24 January, paying £1 for the privilege of doing so.

There will be mystery prizes for the pupils/staff who are judged to have the best animal outfits. Judgements made by the prefect team.



Abbotsholme Parents Association

The APA wishes all parents, grandparents and family members a very happy new year and cordially invites you all to the APA Café in the dining room every Friday from 4.30pm.

**Abbotsholme Parents Association
warmly invite all parents to:**

APA Family Café at 4.30-5.00pm

Every Friday in the Dining Room

For a catch up, cup of tea
or coffee & slice of cake!



We would also like to invite you and your friends to 'save the date' and join us for a great evening of food and entertainment at the APA Summer Ball on
Saturday 20 June 2020

STOP PRESS—SAVE THE DATE!

SAT 20th JUNE 2020

APA SUMMER BALL

EVERYONE WELCOME

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

