



Abbey Primary School Newsletter

June 2025 Mehefin

Right of the Month

Article 6: You have the right to grow up and be healthy

Thursday 26th June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

This month's Right of the Month feels especially relevant, with so many exciting sporting activities taking place across the school. Thank you for your fantastic support during Sports Week – the pupils had a brilliant time, and I'm hugely grateful to the staff for creating such memorable experiences.

As we approach the end of the academic year, I've been reflecting on what a positive and rewarding two years it has been since I became Head Teacher of this excellent school. It's been a hugely successful time, and I'm thankful for the warm feedback from parents and carers, as well as from staff, pupils, and governors.



This is also a time of transition for many – whether moving to a new class, a new phase or even a new school – and we remain committed to supporting every child through these changes with care and encouragement.

Classes 2025/26

It is that time of year again when class and staffing structure is shared. There will be a transition morning on **Tuesday 8th July**. Pupils will go to their new teachers, TAs and classrooms for the morning to support transition. Other pupils with ALN will have further opportunities to meet staff over the course of the next month.

Current Class	Current Teacher		New Class (Sept. 2025)	New Teacher
Nursery	Mrs. Williams (<i>Mrs. V. Griffiths covering maternity</i>)	→	Nursery am & pm (*)	Mrs. Williams (<i>Mrs. V. Griffiths covering maternity</i>)
Nursery/Reception	Mrs. Williams (<i>Mrs. V. Griffiths covering maternity</i>)	→	Reception (*)	Mrs. Jones
Nursery/Reception	Mrs. Williams (<i>Mrs. V. Griffiths covering maternity</i>)	→	Reception (*) / Year 1	Ms. Powell
Reception	Mrs. Jones	→	Year 1G	Mrs. N. Griffiths
Year 1G	Mrs. N. Griffiths	→	Year 2W	Mrs. Williams
Year 1P	Ms. Powell	→	Year 2R	Mrs. Ryan
Year 2W	Mrs. Williams	→	Year 3E	Miss. Evans
Year 2R	Mrs. Ryan	→	Year 3D	Miss. Dew
Year 3E	Miss. Evans	→	Year 4F	Mr. Fitchett
Year 3R	Mrs. Richards	→	Year 4B	Miss. Bowring
Year 4F	Mr. Fitchett	→	Year 5 JR	Mr. Richards
Year 4B	Miss. Bowring	→	Year 5 LR	Mrs. Richards
Year 5R	Mr. Richards	→	Year 6M	Mr. Mellin
Year 5D	Miss. Dew	→	Year 6T	Mrs. Thomas

* Separate class lists will be sent out for pupils in nursery (am & pm) and reception.

Year 6 pupils who are attending Dwr y Felin will have a transition day on the 8th July and Year 5 pupils will have a transition **morning** in Dwr y Felin on the 9th July.

Parent/Carer Book Look

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us for this week's Book Looks with the teachers. It means a great deal to have you come in to celebrate your children's achievements and take pride in their hard work. Your continued support is greatly appreciated, and we hope you enjoyed seeing the wonderful progress they have made.

Sports Week

Thank you to all parents/carers and family members who attended our Sports Days this year. It was lovely to welcome you all and hopefully everyone enjoyed. The EYAC parents/carers all received a memorable video of their children taking part in the EYAC sports day activities too.

Attendance

It is vital that we maintain our improved attendance over the last 4 weeks. The school's target is 93.5% and we are slightly below with 93.2%. Please make a concerted effort to ensure your children are in school on time every day.

Good attendance is crucial for children's learning, wellbeing, and future success. Consistent school attendance helps pupils develop essential skills, build friendships, and establish positive routines.

It ensures they make steady academic progress and benefit fully from the broad and balanced curriculum designed to support their development. Regular attendance lays the foundation for lifelong learning and achievement.

Punctuality

Arriving at school on time is essential to ensure pupils do not miss valuable learning. However, staff have observed that some pupils are arriving very early and are not attending Breakfast Club.

We kindly remind parents and carers that it is their responsibility to ensure children arrive safely for Breakfast Club or at the appropriate time for the start of the school day. Pupils should not be left unsupervised on school grounds for long periods before the school day begins. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

INSET Days

A polite reminder that the final two INSET Days for this academic year are **Friday 11th July** and **Monday 21st July**. There will also be an INSET Day on Monday 1st September.

Confirmed dates for your diary

Date	Activity/Event
Friday 27 th June	Year 4 SCHOOL SLEEPOVER
Monday 30 th June	Year 5/6 Cricket Festival @ Neath Cricket Club
Wednesday 2 nd July	NURSERY GRADUATION – Parents/Carers invited (9:30am)
Tuesday 8 th July	Year 6 Transition Day @ Dwr-Y-Felin
Tuesday 8 th July	WHOLE SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY – meet their new teachers and TAs
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 5 Transition Day @ Dwr-Y-Felin
Thursday 10 th July	Leavers' Assembly (Parents/Carers invited in) @ 2pm
Thursday 10 th July	Year 6 LEAVERS' DISCO (4pm – 5:30pm)
Friday 11 th July	INSET DAY
Friday 18 th July	LAST DAY OF TERM FOR PUPILS
Monday 21 st July	INSET DAY
Monday 1 st September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 2 nd September	Pupils return after the summer holiday

Thank you for taking the time to read my June newsletter.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. M. Hodder', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr. K. M. Hodder
(Head Teacher)