



We enjoyed our Harvest Festival this afternoon in gorgeous warm autumn weather. Thank you to Reverend Tim for his blessings and prayers and to everyone who joined us. This year, our Harvest collection is supporting **Newark Women's Refuge**. Thank you for your very generous donations – these will be so very much appreciated. Mrs Chilton will be delivering everything to the refuge next week.

Thank you to our wonderful FACs team for the delicious bakes and for organising the cake sale and to the parents for your help clearing away at the end.

I hope you enjoyed the children's performances as much as we did, with a wonderful mix of poems, readings, songs and plays from across the school. Every child participated and we are incredibly proud of every single one of them. A special mention must also go to our Head Boy and Head Girl, William and Ada, who compered the whole celebration so eloquently and our Deputy Heads, Charlie, Isabel and Amelle along with Jess who organised the collections and displays and will help Mrs Chilton with distribution .



Consultations and New Families

We are right in the middle of our parent consultations and hope you are finding them useful. Remember that if you ever have a question or concern, you don't need to wait until the next consultation - just give us a call and make an appointment to see your child's teacher.

We are also busy showing lots of prospective new families around school at the moment. Please do spread the word to friends and family who may be looking for a school place.

We are very fortunate at ABCA to be able to offer one class for each year group and this is something we want to maintain. Healthy pupil numbers help us to protect that structure and everything else we are able to offer our children. A full Foundation class for September 2027 would be marvellous! And yes... we do have spaces available in some of our other year groups too. Please send people our way! 😊

Free School Meals Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has already completed our quick Free School Meals eligibility check.

If you haven't yet applied please use the link below. It only takes a few minutes and if your child is eligible they could receive free school meals. It can also bring additional funding into school to help us provide extra support and opportunities for your children.

As a little thank you everyone who completes an application will be entered into our bottle of wine raffle! If you have already applied you'll automatically be included.

The raffle will be drawn in December. 🍷 <http://nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk>



Raising funds

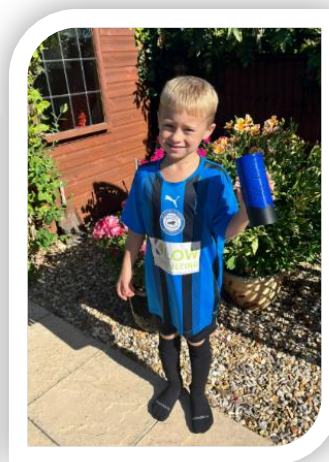
We are taking part in the Xmas4Schools Christmas Project again this year to help raise some funds for the school! Your child will be creating some artwork which you will be able to purchase as Christmas items - please visit www.xmas4schools.co.uk for more information! The artwork sheet will be sent home between now and the 9th October. You'll need to fill out your information on the reverse side and return it to us by the 19th October to take part in the project!



Proud

What a week for our talented pupils. We love hearing about everything our children achieve outside school.

- ★ Finley took part in the Robin Hood Mini Marathon at the weekend, running the full 1.5 miles and even beating his Nanny this year!
- ★ Gracie has been busy supporting charity fundraising over the past year, giving up several weekends to help at car boot sales and village fêtes as well as doing lots of baking. A lovely example of kindness and making a difference to others.
- ★ Arthur scored his first match goal this week and was also awarded the Player of the Match trophy – a fantastic footballing achievement!
- ★ Ching Ching has achieved a distinction in her Grade 2 ballet exam – a brilliant result and wonderful recognition of all her hard work.

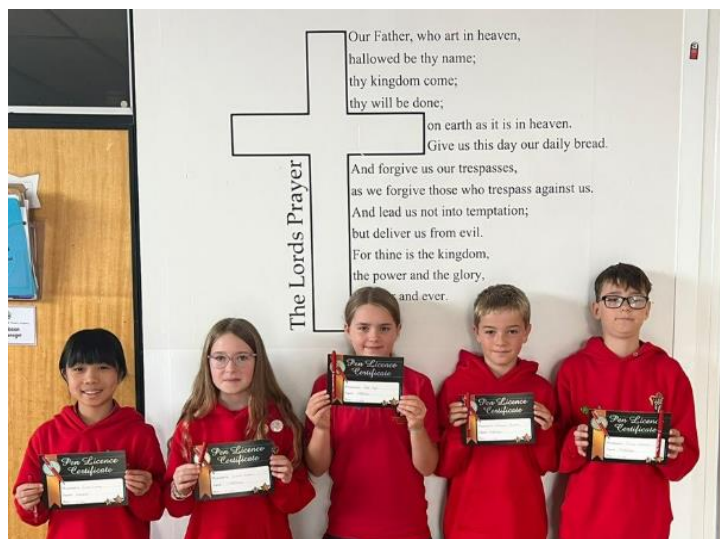


Congratulations to some of our Year 6 pupils who were awarded their pen licences today!

We have a real focus on handwriting at ABCA. Fluent, legible handwriting matters: by the end of Year 6 children working at the Expected Standard in writing need to be able *to maintain legibility in joined handwriting when writing at speed*.

Our pen licences recognise children who are developing the fluency, consistency and control that enable them to concentrate less on forming their letters and more on what they want to say.

Well done to our newest year 6 pen licence holders!



Diary Dates

W/C 5 th Oct	Parent Consultations
Wed 7 th Oct	MHST parent drop in 2.30pm - 4.30pm
Thurs 8 th Oct	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Fri 9 th Oct	Foundation open classroom 3pm
Tues 13 th Oct	Toothill Q&A stand at ABCA
Fri 16 th Oct	INSET Day
Fri 23 rd Oct	Break Up for half term School disco - save the date !!
Sat 31 st Oct	Deadline for Year 6 to apply for secondary school places
Thurs 5 th Nov	Stay and Play for Sept 2027 starters 10.45am to 11.45am
Weds 11 th Nov	KS2 Remembrance Service led by Y6 pupils. St Thomas' Church 9:15. Parents welcome.
Thurs 12 th Nov	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Fri 13 th Nov	Pre School Bingo Night – tickets on sale soon!! Save the date!
Mon 23 rd Nov	Y5 visit to Sherwood Observatory
Thurs 3 rd Dec	Foundation visit to Perlethorpe
Wed 9 th Dec	KS1 Nativity evening performance (time tbc) Y3 visit to York returning on Friday 11th Dec
Thurs 10th Dec	KS1 Nativity afternoon performance (2pm)
Wed 16th Dec	KS2 Christmas Carols at St Thomas' Church 9:15 Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner day
Thurs 7 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Party
Fri 18th Dec	Games Day. Break up for Christmas Holidays
Mon 4th Jan	Return to School for spring term.
Tues 12 th Jan	M&M Panto - whole school
Thurs 14 th Jan	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Thurs 11 th Feb	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Fri 12th Feb	Break up for half term
Wed 24 th Feb	Choir at Young Voices Event @ Sheffield
Thurs 4 th Mar	World Book Day
Thurs 11 th Mar	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Tues 23 rd Mar	Easter Service KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade KS2 Easter Egg Competition
Thurs 25 th Mar	Break up for Easter
Mon 12 th Apr	Return to school for summer term
Wed 5 th May	Y5 Residential to Willersley returning on Friday 7th May
Mon 10 th May	Y6 SATs week starts
Thurs 13 th May	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Mon 24 th May	Y6 Residential returning on Friday 28th May
Fri 28 th May	Break up for half term
Mon 7th Jun	INSET Day
Tue 8th Jun	Return to school Class photos
Thurs 10 th Jun	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Thurs 17 th Jun	Book Fair - runs from 17 th June to 22 nd June
Fri 2nd Jul	INSET Day
Thurs 8 th Jul	Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome!
Fri 23rd Jul	Last day of term

