



11th June

School news Update

Our church school creates a firm foundation where together, with God's help and with the help of others, we learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith.

School structure for September 2021

As you are aware, we plan our school structure each year using a range of information including children's needs as well as staff expertise and experience. We are delighted that with the support of our Governors, we are able to provide the information below which sees very little change to our current structure and staffing.

Van Gogh class	Monet class	Kandinsky class	Picasso class
Reception	Years 1&2	Years 3&4	Years 5&6
Mrs Wilcock	Mrs MacLeod (4 days) and Mrs Wilcock (1 day)	Mrs Hawthorne (3.5 days) and Mrs Whales (1.5 days)	Mrs Jackson

One key change will be the format of the day for Van Gogh and Monet classes as about 40% of the week will be spent as a mixed Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The majority of this time will be spent as a mixed Reception and Year 1 led by Mrs Wilcock with Year 2s being led by Mrs MacLeod but there will also be times when they will work together as a whole group across the two classrooms.

Curriculum Maps

The Curriculum map for your child's class has been emailed home today. Do have a look at what they will be learning over the next half term.

Revised term dates 2021-2022

We have attached a revised copy of the term dates for 2021-2022 as the Queens Jubilee bank holiday dates have been confirmed. Do update your records with these dates.

Suncream and hats



We are delighted to see some sunshine but could we please ask that ALL children have a cap or sun hat each day please. Sun cream should be applied before the children come to school. The once a day variety ensures that children don't need to bring any cream to school with them. Children should also not be wearing sunglasses to school for health and safety reasons. If, however, there is a medical reason why they need to wear them then please contact the school office to discuss this.

Judo

We have been informed that the after school Judo club will not be restarting at Abbots Ripton. Paddy has run an after school club here for the last 12 years and over the years has helped many pupils (and staff!!) to learn the art of Judo. We would like to thank him for his commitment, time and energy and wish him well in the future.

Paddy has asked us to thank staff and parents for all the support over the years and to say how much he enjoyed doing the club. Sadly he is no longer able to continue as he has become his wife's carer, otherwise he would definitely have been back!

Kanazawa Judo club is still running evening sessions in St Ives on Monday's, Somersham on Wednesday's and Huntingdon on Thursday's.

For more information please contact Paddy at:

www.Kanazawajudo.com,

Email: sensei_paddy@hotmail.co.uk

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Collective Worship

Our Collective Worship this half term links with the Olympic Values. As we are celebrating an Olympic year (postponed from last year) we thought we would link the school values to the Olympic values and identify their similarities. We will look at bible stories and Olympic stories to help us to understand these values. For example, this week we reflected on 'Courage and Determination' using the story of David defeating Goliath as well as the footage of Derek Redman from the 1992 Olympics when he was so determined to finish the race.



End of school times

Some parents have asked about the staggered end to the school day and we are pleased to confirm that we intend to change the end of the school day back to 3:15pm for all children in September. We may alter where parents wait but the time will be back to 3:15pm.

Our School Prayer

Dear Lord,

All together we are Abbots Ripton School

Bless each one of us this day

Bring joy to our lives

Open our hearts to peace

Together we pray to you our Father

Stand by us as we grow

May we

Reflect your goodness

In all that we do

Protect the world around us and

Take care of your creation

Our family and friends we trust to your care

Now and forever we say

Amen



Diary Dates

We have attached an updated diary date's list. Please do take the time to note these down in your diary so you don't miss anything.

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Please see below the diary dates for the Summer term 2021

Any new dates added in the future will be in bold italics

<i>17th July</i>	<i>Deadline for the £21 in 2021 fundraiser</i>
20 th July	Y6 leavers assembly -1.30pm
22 nd July	End of Summer Term
23 rd July	Teacher Training Day – School closed