

ABOYNE LODGE

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week it feels like Spring arrived, with 11 live eggs coming to school in Year 1 on Monday morning. As I sit typing this, a number of the eggs have hatched and we have been joined by some beautiful fluffy, yellow chicks.

This week we were treated to the Year 3 and 4 performance of Pirates vs Mermaids, where the children sailed the seven seas. I was really impressed with the children's singing and their confidence delivering their lines. Thank you to all the Year 3 and 4 team for their hard work ad the children for an excellent evening.

We have had a busy week in Sport too starting off with the Girls football team playing against Skyswood away. It was a close game with Skyswood pipping us by 2 goals to 1. Well played to all of the team. On Tuesday we had two different teams representing St Albans in the Count finals one for indoor athletics and one for Rapid Fire Cricket. In the morning the Girls athletics team did brilliantly finishing a very respectable 10th place over all (pretty good out of 400ish schools in Hertfordshire). They all ran, jumped and threw their hearts out and were a credit to the school. Very well done.

In the cricket, our Year 4 team returned as County Champions, beating Broxbourn 43—31 in the final. The children were fantastic and played exceptionally well as a team. This is a fantastic result for a small school. Well done to the children involved and thank you to Mrs Hobbs for her continued support with the sport here. Today we celebrated Comic Relief and were treated to an array of different outfits and a disco at break and lunch time! Thank you to everyone for your continued support for this important cause. Thank you to Mrs. Sherwood for organising the day. Gateway is still open for you to make a donation. So far we have raised over £150....

Have a fantastic weekend!

Best wishes,

Keith Smithard

Messages from office:

Gateway—please check you are up to date with payments, consents & orders.

Parents Evening – please email the school office if you are having trouble booking an appointment

Dates for your diary

Monday 24th March-Y5 Moving Toys Workshop

Netball vs Cunningham Hill (H)

Tuesday 25th March—Girls Football vs Windermere (H)

Wednesday 26th March—Parents Evening 3.30pm to 6pm

Thursday 27th March— Cross Country at Garden fields

Friday 28th March—ALSA Drag Bingo 7pm

Monday 31st March—Y6 Football vs Skyswood (A)

Tuesday 1st April—ELSA Study

Wednesday 2nd April— Y1 Sharing Assembly 2.30pm (parents invited) Parents Evening 3.30pm to 6pm

Friday 4th April—End of Term 1.30pm ALSA Easter Egg Hunt 2pm

Monday 7th April—Monday 21st April—EASTER HOLIDAYS School Closed

Tuesday 14th—Thursday 17th April—AllSports4Kids Holiday Camp at Aboyne Lodge

Tuesday 22nd April—INSET Day

Wednesday 23rd April—Summer Term Begins

Saturday 5th July—75th Anniversary Fete

Aboyne Lodge School, Etna Road, St. Albans, Herts AL3 5NL

aboyne lodge Open Day





The open days will be on April 14th, 15th and 16th and they will be hosting 'stay and play' sessions from 10am-12pm on each of these days – while the little ones engage in activities alongside Apple Daycare practitioners, parents will have the opportunity to tour the space and ask any quesions they may have about the opening etc.

To book in for the open day please click the below link:

Children's Nursery | Apple Daycare Ltd.

If you are unable to attend the open days, you can contact Apple Daycare directly on registrar@appledaycare.co.uk to arrange a separate visit or follow this link to book a viewing online:

Arrange a Viewing | Apple Daycare Ltd.

The setting will be birth-5 years old and open from 07:30am-18:30pm, Monday to Friday all year round.





ALSA Notices

Deadline looming!

Tales of Aboyne Book

Want to help commemorate 75 years of Aboyne Lodge by sharing a short story or poem about your time at the school?

Past or present teachers, students or parents can submit up to 250 words in either story or poem format, ideally along with a sketch, illustration or photo. And help spread the word by telling members of the community!

Email your submission to the school office ASAP. Typed out submissions preferable although we will accept hand-written.

Other forthcoming dates for your diaries:

Mother's Day (Friday, 28 March) Donations to office ASAP

Killer Queen Bingo is back by popular demand & guaranteed to blow your mind...

Friday 28th March 730-1130

£25 pp inc welcome drink

- An invitation you can't decline with dynamite & laser beam disco
- Hosted again by the sensational Crystal, star of RuPauls Drag Race, Bestival, Corporate gigs at Amazon & Google & of course 2024 Aboyne School Hall

Strictly over 18s- expect cheeky humour

Tickets strictly limited so secure your spot on Gateway NOW. Last year was a sellout.

Bake sales

Y2 bake sale – 2 May

Y1 bake sale – 6 June

YR bake sale – 4 July

Grow a pound

The above will be launching next week, please look out for an envelope with your child's £1 in!