



ABOYNE LODGE

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Friday Bulletin

28th Mar 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week began with a workshop for Year 5 who were investigating moving toys as part of their D&T work. It sounds like the children had a really enjoyable morning increasing their knowledge of cams and different mechanisms. Thank you to all of the parents helpers for your support on the day.

On Monday we had the last game of the netball season against Cunningham Hill. It was a close game with plenty of chances for both sides, with Cunningham coming out on top. The Netball team have done extremely well this year managing to qualify for Division 1. This is an excellent effort considering we are one of only two one-form entry schools in the top league. Many congratulations to the team and thank you to Mrs Hobbs for her continued

Support. From the Summer we invite the Year 4s to the training with the Year 6 children stepping back. Don't worry though. There is plenty of sport to come for the Year 6s with Athletics and other events taking place in the Summer.

The choir and the Orchestra have been busy rehearsing this week with other St Albans schools for the Alban Arena concert. Thank you to the parents for picking up and dropping off at the different venues. Like sport, we really want to make Aboyne the place to be for music. It is great to hear the children playing their instruments and singing so well. We have some excellent peripatetic teachers here, teaching brass, strings, woodwind, piano and singing. If your child is interested in learning an instrument please let us know.

The cross-county season also finished this week, with Pearl taking the top spot in Year 5 again, confirming her as the best runner in St Albans in her category. Tom also had a seasons best coming through in 3rd place in the Y6 boys race, a fantastic result.. Well done to all the runners for a great season. Thank you to Mr Hobbs for his continued work with the children.

For those of you here this evening, we hope you have a lovely time. For everyone else, have a fantastic weekend!

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 31st March—Y6 Football vs Skyswood (A)

Tuesday 1st April—ELSA Study Clinic in School

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

Monday 28th April—'Open the book' Whole School Assembly

Monday 28th April—Friday 2nd May April—Y6 Mock SATS Week

Monday 5th May—May Day Bank Holiday—School Closed

Monday 12th to Friday 26th May—Y6 SATS Week

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd May—Y6 Residential to Manor Adventure

Saturday 5th July—75th Anniversary Fete

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

aboyne lodge Open Day



Stay & Play sessions

Monday 14th April:
Tuesday 15th April:
Wednesday 16th April:
10am-12pm

For private show-arounds please contact
registrara@appledaycare.co.uk

Come along to our newest setting & experience a session
@ Apple Daycare!

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 questions 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:

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!

GROW A POUND
TO HELP US CLIMB!

This term ALSA are inviting our budding entrepreneurs to participate in our GROW A POUND CHALLENGE
Proceeds will go towards a new climbing boulder for the playground!
The children will receive £1 from our PTA funds. We challenge you to use your creativity to come up with a way of using that £1 to make money towards the climbing boulder.

IDEAS

Odd Jobs: Use your money to buy some cleaning items or borrow some gardening gloves, charge your family and friends for your weeding/cleaning services.

Growing seedlings: use your money to buy some veg or flower seeds/bulbs and them off for your keen gardening family, friends or neighbours

Cake Sale: Combine your £1 with friends and buy ingredients to do some baking and then sell what you make

Arts & Crafts: Use your funds to buy crafts to make greetings cards, bookmarks, pictures or bracelets - set up a stall to sell them!

Exercise counts: a sponsored run or walk is a great way to dust off the running trainers, borrow a skipping rope and do a sponsored skip-a-thon!

HOW TO RETURN PROFITS
Donate profits to the link below:
<http://bit.ly/4ixSBDW>

Note for parents/guardians: This initiative is optional, and if you and your child do not wish to partake, please return the £1 in the same envelope to your teacher or the office. Thank you.

For parents and guardians of children who use the £1 fundraising within the community, we thank you in advance for supervising your children with this and for supporting our fundraising.

All profits to ALSA, ABOYNE LODGE SCHOOL, AL3 5NL REGISTERED CHARITY 1044678