

Year 5

The summer term in Year 5 has been both incredibly busy and incredibly fun! We have thrown ourselves wholeheartedly into our main topic Space. This involved us partaking in a number of engaging and informative lessons, which the children seem to have thoroughly enjoyed. We visited National Space Centre, much to the excitement and enjoyment of the children, for a very informative day which really aided our space understanding. The children were especially creative and enthusiastic with their fantastic 'Take Care' space projects, and we would like to say a massive thank you to all the parents and carers for supporting your child with this; your help really does make a difference to their learning. On a lovely sunny Wednesday afternoon, we had our KS2 sports day and it was great to see Year 5s participating together in their house teams, taking part in some extremely competitive races and more importantly, having a great deal of fun. What a term! What a year it has been! The Year 5 children have continued to display the 'Wow' factor and they deserve real credit for this! We have had so many exciting opportunities and fun learning along our way; the children have all made excellent progress both academically and personally. It is fair to say that they have well and truly earned their holidays, and the whole Year 5 Team wish you a relaxing, enjoyable break and all the best for Year 6!



Year 6

The summer term has been jam-packed for us all in Year 6. It began with us conquering our SATs, which we worked so incredibly hard towards. After that, it was time for Castlehead! During our residential, we took on a range of exciting challenges, including a long walk up a hill, a sea level traverse, ghyll scrambling, fire lighting, den building and low ropes. We all thoroughly enjoyed our time away, building independence and confidence ready for our move to secondary school. All children behaved fantastically and were outstanding ambassadors for Bourne Abbey. Those of us back at school, participated in a number of fun activities which included; designing a monopoly board, becoming entrepreneurs for a day and taking part in activities based on the hit TV show Task Master. After a well-earned break, alongside covering the curriculum, Year 6 performed a fabulous end of year production of 'Ali Baba and The Bongo Bandits', which we are sure you all enjoyed! Additionally, the children participated in their very last Bourne Abbey sports day as well as learnt to cook a Greek recipe when Darren from Roots to Food visited us. The transition process in preparation for the children's Year 7 journey is now well under way and we wish them all the best of luck in their new adventures. We will miss them all very much. Thank you for being Bourne Abbey Superstars – it is now time for you to spread your wings and fly the Bourne Abbey nest – Honks!



Sports Report

It has been a busy year on the sport front, with all year groups receiving high quality PE lessons in a wide variety of sports. It has been great to observe the pupils learning new skills, developing physically and enjoying their weekly sessions. Earlier in the year, selected pupils had the pleasure of working alongside a former Olympic swimmer, Sophie Devenish, focusing on fitness, which was incredibly insightful. We have also had success outside of school in local competitions in cross-country, football, tag rugby and cricket. All the teams demonstrated fantastic teamwork and perseverance aiding some superb achievements. All the children across the school had the opportunity to take part in sports day and it was awesome to see how much pride they took in representing their houses. There were some great competitive performances but it was also a delight to see the sportsmanship between the pupils – that is what sport is all about. We've also had a number of pupils participating in a wide variety of sports outside of school and it is fantastic to see them succeed and share their success in Golden Book; long may this continue. We encourage everyone to get involved in their local clubs, as sport has such a positive impact in people's lives.



Student Council

As another busy Student Council year draws to a close, we are thankful and proud to look back on all that we have achieved. Initiatives to come from student voice include attendance pens for those children who have earned their pen licence, playground rules for everyone to make things consistent for all, more lights and beanbags for classes that wanted them and a wider range of clubs available for children to choose from. In addition to all of these fabulous ideas, we have raised incredible amounts of money for the various charities that we support throughout the year, including a record-breaking £603.58 for Children in Need and a magnificent £235.85 for our inaugural Soccer Aid Challenge. We are, as always, incredibly grateful for the support our parents and carers demonstrate in supporting our charitable aims. It is humbling to see the difference we make in our community and beyond – we just love being Agents of Change! We have also this year introduced a section in our meetings where we discuss our Character Traits: motivation, self-regulation and resilience have all been a focus for us this year and we have enjoyed sharing our thoughts. We look forward to seeing the finished Y3 and Y4 Trim Trail next year, and another successful year of fundraising and student voice. Congratulations to all of our Student Council representatives, once again you have made us all very proud of you!

UNICEF RRS

We were thrilled in October to be reaccruited as a UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting School – the highest award available which shows that our school family all believe in the rights of the child as outlined in the UNCRC. Our UNICEF RRS Ambassadors were also proud to share their knowledge and skills with children from Bourne Westfield Primary Academy. We look forward to new challenges in September and aim to continue spreading the RRS message!

EQUALITY AMBASSADORS

A new initiative this year has been the introduction of Equality Ambassadors, whose role is to educate their peers about protected characteristics. Watch out for them and their rainbow lanyards – they will be able to talk to you about all things equality!



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Summer Term 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

What a fabulous final term we have had! In what has been a summer of variable weather term at Bourne Abbey! Let us reflect on how we have flown high together as a team of geese; supporting each other during the year. Our wonderful children continue to amaze us with their resilience, determination, positivity and creativity and I hope this newsletter captures some of the captivating learning which has taken place during Terms 5 and 6.

We have had some wonderful results from our Early Years, Year 1/Year 2 phonics screening, Key Stage 1 SATs, Year 4 multiplication checks and Year 6 SATs results. These achievements were fantastic in their own right and a testament to stunning learning and teaching here at Bourne Abbey.

Our fantastic creative curriculum has continued to delight with a multitude of magnificent learning experiences taking place across the school. With Roots to Food cookery classes, sports days, visits to the National Space Centre, Skegness and Ferry Meadows (to name just a few!), it has been a term full of variety for our children. The children have also demonstrated their skills in year group assemblies throughout Terms 5 and 6. I am sure you will agree that these assemblies have given all of our children the opportunity to showcase their many God-given talents.

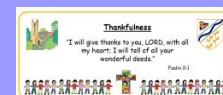
Undoubtedly, another highlight of this term was our Year 6 end of year production. If you were lucky enough to see it, I am sure you will agree that our Year 6 children were amazing, putting on a professional production and really showing that they have the 'WOW' factor. At this very exciting time of year, there is of course a tinge of sadness as our Year 6 are about to embark on the next stage of their school journey. We would like to wish all of these wonderful children the best for their future. No matter how long they have been at Bourne Abbey, they have all contributed greatly to our school family and we will miss them very much. I know they will continue to fly high.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate everyone associated with the school for the most wonderful SIAMS inspection, when Bourne Abbey was graded as 'Excellent.' During the inspection, where our Church distinctiveness shone through, it was commented that, 'Pupils are celebrated as individuals and are all encouraged to be the best they can.' I am delighted that this was used to describe our children. The children of Bourne Abbey are the shining stars of our school and make it an exceptional place. I am thrilled that they have received this recognition and I know that they will continue to help us showcase what a unique school this is.

Thank you for your continued support this year. I hope you have a restful summer and enjoy spending time with those important to you. To those leaving for their secondary school adventures, I wish you every success in all that you do in the future. I know you will go on to do great things. Stay safe and have a wonderful summer!

Mr P Bellamy
Head of School

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)



Dear Friends,

There are many things I love about the summer holidays, I love walks, extra time to spend with my family, more time to do the things I really enjoy doing. I like watching movies, reading books, listening to music and being outside a bit more. I like discovering new things close to home I had not noticed before. I like going to new places and seeing new things. I suspect there are things you will be looking forward to too.

For me the world is an amazing place with so much to be discovered and enjoyed. Learning in school is great, and I hope you have learnt much this year, but there is so much more we can learn in a different way over the summer holidays. So I hope you have a great summer and come back to school in the Autumn with lots of things you will want to share with your friends, new things you have learnt, new places you have seen. Whatever you do, as you look at the world around you, please remember to say thank you to God for all the world around us. Particularly pray for children in Ukraine and other places where it is not safe and where it is hard to play.

Dear God, please help me to be grateful for the people who love me and the world you have made for all of us. Thank you for my home and good places to play and good friends to play with. Hear my prayer for children who are sad and hungry this summer. Give me times when I can make other people smile because I am kind and helpful. Amen.

With best wishes

The Rt Revd Dr David Court
Bishop of Grimsby
Acting Bishop of Lincoln



A Prayer to end the school year.

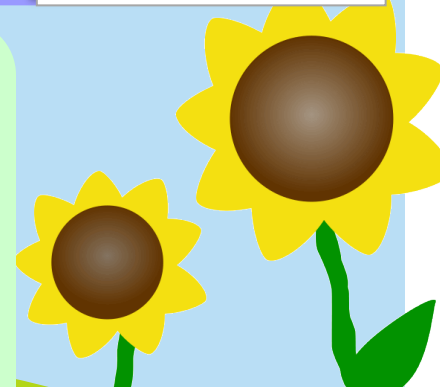
Dear God,
Thank you for our school,
for all who help us to learn,
and for the friends that we meet here.
Thank you for the opportunities that you give us.
Now that it is holiday time,
help us to rest,
as you rested when you finished your work,
and as you taught us to do through your son Jesus.
Help us to be like him and his disciples,
and to know the importance of rest.
Amen.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 4th September –
First day of Term

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Abbey Ark

What a fantastic term we have had here at Abbey Ark!

The children have really thrown themselves into our topic 'Sizzling Summer', where we have been exploring different aspects of summer such as the seaside, the weather, and the change in the environment all through lots of sensory play, stories, and rhymes.

The children have worked hard to plant and grow sunflowers and strawberries. They have been really engrossed in caring for them and have worked together to water and nurture them, learning about what seeds need to help them grow. The strawberries have been delicious!

Our first ever Abbey Ark Sports Day was a huge success! The children enjoyed all the practise leading up to it and made us and our families so proud!

We have also been supporting our children with lots of vital transition work. Preparing the Happy Hippos for their move up to the Jolly Giraffe room and the Jolly Giraffes have been excelling with their school readiness skills!

We would like to wish our Jolly Giraffe children all the best with their next adventure at school. We hope everyone has an amazing summer and we cannot wait to see everyone again in September!

Reception

Ahoy me hearties! The Reception children had a swashbuckling start to our topic, 'Would You Invite a Pirate to Tea?' with our fantastic Pirate Day. Our 'motley crew' of children came to school dressed as pirates, learned to talk like a pirate, made maps and much more! Our ship-shape learning continued as we went on an exciting adventure with Pirate Steve from the amazing Partake Theatre Company. We all climbed aboard the pirate ship and set sail to find the buried treasure, visiting the beautiful islands of Polynesia where we wore flower garlands and danced on the white sands. After that we visited penguins, monkeys and exotic birds, however the scariest of all was Volcano Island where the flames shot out of the volcano! At last, we found the buried treasure and returned to school in time for lunch! What an amazing adventure around the world! We then deepened our learning by moving from Treasure Island to Under the Sea as we found the beautiful Rainbow Fish and talked about thankfulness, our Christian Value for this term. We learnt how to share Rainbow Fish's scales as part of our maths learning, leading to many problem-solving activities such as doubling, halving, subitising and using number bonds to ten. It was lovely to see family and friends attend the Reception Sports afternoon and hear all of their enthusiastic cheers! The children were real sporting heroes taking part in all the races, cheering each other on and proudly showing off their ribbons and taking part medals. We would like to thank you for your ongoing support this year and wish the children continued success in the next step of their learning journey. Have a fantastic summer!

Year 1

Wow! What an exciting year we have had in Year One this year; it has absolutely flown by! Your children have blown us away with their determination, perseverance and enthusiasm for all of our topics. The children completed their Fred Frog challenge with such enthusiasm and loved showing off their reading skills. Throughout Terms 5 and 6, we have thoroughly enjoyed travelling along with Paddington on all his adventures, learning about a town in Peru, showcasing our fabulous geographical skills and visiting the seaside town of Skegness. In Science, they helped Paddington to work scientifically by using a checklist to help him identify trees in our school grounds and use magnifying glasses to observe plants closely. Your children really do have the 'WOW' factor and did a truly tremendous job of showing the staff at Natureland, and the general public, how amazing Year One are here at Bourne Abbey. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable summer.

Year 2

Wow! We have had two more tremendous terms in Year 2! We were over the moon when Sunny the Meerkat from the book 'Meerkat Mail' came to visit us! We persuaded him to join us at Bourne Abbey by writing a letter to tell him all about the wonderful activities he could complete with us! However, in science, we thought about why he was not suited to our environment, as it was very different from his natural habitat! We have been exploring our outdoor area to identify whether things are alive, dead or never alive as well as finding different microhabitats! We have been so excited for our visit to Nene Park to investigate animals and plants in their natural habitats. We have also enjoyed using our outdoor areas to consolidate our knowledge of telling the time, challenging our friends to face o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to on drawn clocks. We have used a variety of containers to compare and measure volume and capacity and enjoyed working together as a team to order them in different ways. In R.E, we have learnt about Incarnation and the Christmas story, thinking about why it is special for Christians and what they do to prepare for this time. We continue to think carefully about keeping ourselves safe online and in computing we have been coding using the programme ScratchJnr. We also had a fantastic time at our Key Stage 1 Sports Day in front of the grownups! It was lovely to showcase our athletic abilities and show good sportsmanship to our friends. It has been an absolute pleasure to work with your children this year and we would like to thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful summer holiday!

Year 3

Dream Big, is exactly what your children have done this term in Year 3! Learning about Lakpa Rita Sherpa and Rick Hansen opened the children's eyes to what they can achieve now and in the future; with a dash of perseverance and a bucketful of resilience anything is possible. Inspired by these adventurers, the children have gone on to write the most outrageously brilliant stories about their very own rainforest adventures, using their senses, complex sentences and the rule of 3 to describe the experience so that they engage the reader from the very first sentence. All the teachers were captivated by the sequential events and we hope sequels will follow! Can you believe they managed to outrun the robust jaguars, capture shameless monkeys and even chat to the deafening toucans? The children have furthered their understanding of the Amazon rainforest through tribal art. They have explored Nixiwaka Yawanawa's art, how he uses natural resources and why the colours have been chosen in their project. Excitedly, they have used bold colours, charcoal and paints to create their own masterpieces that the Yawanawa tribe would be proud of. What a tremendous and hardworking year it has been! The Year 3 team would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to everyone for their support this year. We wish you all the most fantastic summer!

Year 4

It is unbelievable how quickly this term has flown by and what an amazing year we have had celebrating all the successes. As always, the children in Year 4 have worked exceptionally hard and it has been wonderful to see every child striving to reach their goals and flourish into the fabulous individuals that we see before us. Our learning has taken us on some amazing journeys; we have travelled back in time to the enthralling period of the Anglo-Saxons, where we have revealed the 'greatness' of King Alfred the Great; discovered why Britain was such an attractive target for the Vikings; been fascinated by the historical treasures unearthed at Sutton Hoo and we have enjoyed creating our own Bayeux Tapestry to mark the end of the Anglo-Saxon period. What a lot of amazing history! As writers, we have been inspired by the books Beowulf and How to Train Your Dragon, and have written captivating dragon poems, created our own exciting alternative ending to Beowulf, experimented with cubist dragon art in the style of Picasso and used our science circuit investigations to help us design a working torch to help dragonologists seek dragons. It is not only the enthusiasm which the children have shown in their learning that has amazed the staff this year, but their courage and drive to take on new challenges. We have seen great teamwork and thriving individuals. Watch out Year 5 teachers, here they come!