

## Weekly Family Update – 06.03.26



Please read, share, and encourage others to do the same.



## Headteacher's Update: Keeping You Informed About What Matters Most

*Firstly, a huge congratulations to our wonderful Year 11 students who have now completed their final set of Trial Examinations. Their attitude, commitment, and maturity throughout the process have been exceptional. They are a true credit to the school and outstanding role models for our younger pupils. Over the next few weeks, staff will be marking their papers and providing valuable feedback. Whatever the results, this feedback is an important opportunity for students to reflect, grow, and make the very most of this final stretch before the summer exams.*

*Elsewhere, the OOPs are in full swing, and it's fantastic to see so many students making the most of their break times outdoors, enjoying the fresh air now that the sunshine has returned.*

*Finally, I'd like to highlight our **Year 8 Options Evening on 24th March**. Now is an excellent time to explore our curriculum offer and begin conversations at home about future pathways, if these haven't started already. Within this bulletin, you will find details on how to contact our Careers Team, and all curriculum information can also be accessed here:*

<https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/students/curriculum>

*Have a great weekend.*

### **Parent Forum Guarantee:**

The Parent Forum Guarantee gives all parents the right to speak directly to the **Headteacher/Deputy Headteacher**, within 24 hours, if you feel your question has not been answered by those you have already contacted.

- Call: 01487 812352 and quote the Parent Forum Guarantee.
- Email: [office@abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk) using the subject header 'Parent Forum Guarantee.'

### **Parent Friendly Policy Guide:**

<https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/about-us/statutory-information>

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*Please read on for essential updates.*

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## Vacancies at Abbey College

- Click [here](#) for all vacancies



## Celebration of Spirit - Recognition

### Headteacher Commendations w/c 02/03/26

Morgan	Year 7	Learning and Support	For their commitment to learning, respectful attitude, and responsible approach to every lesson.
Darcy	Year 10	Engineering	Quality and understanding of contextual Theory
Sienna	Year 8	Science	Embraced the science project wholeheartedly.
Ayla	Year 8	Science	Embraced the science project wholeheartedly
Leah	Year 7	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Tiana	Year 7	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Darcy	Year 7	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Isaac	Year 7	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Penny	Year 8	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Ayesha	Year 8	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Logan	Year 8	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Zac	Year 8	Spanish	Excellent attitude and behaviour
Danny	Year 8	Student Ambassador	For going above and beyond to support a new student at Abbey College
Freddie	Year 7	Form Time	Great design for March for Mindfulness Calendar
Seren	Year 7	Geography	Great revision PowerPoint for flooding assessment
Rosie	Year 8	All	For always striving to perform activities with excellence and hard work.
Annabel	Year 7	Comprehension	Great result in Comprehension testing.
Ayaan	Year 7	Comprehension	Great result in Comprehension testing.
Belle	Year 7	Comprehension	Great result in Comprehension testing.
Jairus	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Isabelle	Year 7	Comprehension	Great result in Comprehension testing.
Amelia	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Harry	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Mia	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Alex	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Jasmine	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Orla	Year 7	Comprehension	Great effort in Comprehension testing.
Oliver	Year 10	English	For consistent good work in English last term.
Izzy	Year 10	CCF	Outstanding contribution to SAA weekend supporting the year 9s
Shay	Year 10	CCF	Outstanding contribution to SAA weekend supporting the year 9s
Georgia	Year 12	CCF	Outstanding contribution to SAA weekend supporting the year 9s
Katie	Year 12	CCF	Outstanding contribution to SAA weekend supporting the year 9s
Paige	Year 10	CCF	Outstanding contribution to SAA weekend supporting the year 9s
Charlie	Year 8	Drama	Always demonstrating excellent work in Drama-well done!
Thomas	Year 8	Drama	Always demonstrating excellent work in Drama-well done!
Leo	Year 8	Drama	Always demonstrating excellent work in Drama-well done!
Ollie	Year 8	Drama	Always demonstrating excellent work in Drama-well done!
Roz	Year 8	Drama	Always demonstrating excellent work in Drama-well done!
Max	Year 8	Drama	Always demonstrating excellent work in Drama-well done!

Isaac	Year 7	Science	Isaac independently mastered reproductive terminology and functions, completing extra worksheets with exceptional dedication.
Silas	Year 8	Science	Silas consistently excels, completes extra work independently, and kindly supports his peers.
Henry	Year 8	Science	Henry diligently excels, completes extra work, and respectfully supports peers with maturity.
Tiera	Year 9	Biology	Tiera excels in Biology, consistently producing high-quality work with outstanding academic maturity.
Amethyst	Year 10		Amethyst's exceptional Chemistry dedication and extra independent work deserve high commendation.
William	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Luke	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Ruaridh	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Kyle	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Zach	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Oscar	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Charlie	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Spencer	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Brodie	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Luca	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Charlie	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Harley	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Louis	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Callum	Year 8	PE	Being part of the Year 8 Football Team this term
Amelia	Year 8	PE	Consistently being helpful in PE, demonstrating resourcefulness and helping others

### **Staff member of the week**

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Mrs Meyn – Passion: A very clear, calm and thorough Maths teacher who sets high standards for her students and is a great, new asset to Abbey College!

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### **Tell us about something brilliant!**

If you would like to nominate someone for an Abbey College Spirit Award for any out of school success stories, then please follow this [link](#) or email the Office [office@abbey.college](mailto:office@abbey.college) .

## **Strong Partnerships**

### **Parent's Forum**




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**Save the date: Thursday 19th March, 5–6pm**

*Our next Parents' Forum will be a hybrid meeting.*

*You can join in person in the Abbey College Boardroom or online via Teams.*

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- Please email [ParentsForum@abbey.college](mailto:ParentsForum@abbey.college) any questions.

- Please find our minutes here: [Parent Forum - Abbey College, Secondary School and Sixth Form in Ramsey](#)
- If you would like further information on the Parent's Forum, please email: [ParentsForum@abbey.college](mailto:ParentsForum@abbey.college)

Genevieve Wardle - Chair of Parent's Forum

## Diary Dates

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Y10 Virtual Parents Evening
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Y8 Options Evening
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Y7/8 Science Trips
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Y12 Great Fen geography Trip
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	End of Term
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	INSET Day – staff only in school
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Summer Term Starts
W/C 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Year 10 Work Experience
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	May Bank Holiday
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Half Term

## Everything You Need to Know About Assessments

### Spring 1 Assessment Information for Parents

Year group	When will my child be assessed?	When will reports be published on MCAS?	What information will I receive?
7	• No formal subject assessments this half term		
8	• No formal subject assessments this half term		• Reading proficiency report (updated in March)
9	• No formal subject assessments this half term		
10	• No formal subject assessments this half term	<b>Parents Evening: 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	
11	• Trial 2 Exams: 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb – 6 <sup>th</sup> March	27 <sup>th</sup> March	• Spirit Grades • Current working at grades • End of course predicted grades • End of course target grades
12	• No formal subject assessments this half term		
13	• Trial 2 Exams: 9 <sup>th</sup> March – 17 <sup>th</sup> March	17 <sup>th</sup> April (Post Easter)	• Spirit Grades • Current working at grades • End of course predicted grades • End of course target grades

Please note that this table details the formal assessments that will be taking place this half term. Your child will complete topic tests across their range of subjects as they reach the end of a unit of work. Where students are required to prepare for these, details will be shared via Teams.

## Ensuring Pupils Feel Safe and Behave Well

### Safety First

#### Personal Safety

*This week the year groups have focused on personal safety when travelling to and from school.*

*Parents can reinforce these messages by discussing safe routes, encouraging children to walk with trusted friends, and checking in about their journeys.*

If your child reports anything concerning—such as being followed, approached, or harassed, please inform the school and, if necessary, the Police.

If you do have any questions or concerns you want to raise please do get in touch.

[welfare@abbey.college](mailto:welfare@abbey.college)

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### **Promoting Positive Behaviour Every Day**

**Next Week's Equipment Check** - Next week we will be checking for a different piece of equipment each day.

- Monday: Black pen
- Tuesday: Green pen
- Wednesday: Whiteboard pen
- Thursday: Pencil
- Friday: Ruler

### **Student attendance - Week 22**

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- **Congratulations:** *Abbey College students- you are in the top 25% of all schools nationally for the 2025 Autumn term for attendance*
  - **Reminder:** Children who do not attend regularly miss out on opportunities in further education and world of work.
  - **How you can help:** If you need support with any wellbeing concerns, contact our Welfare Team.
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Ms Davis – Attendance Officer

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## **SPRING INTO SCHOOL** **Attendance Challenge!**

- 🌟 Daily Entries:
- ✅ **Every day counts!** Earn 2 entries for AM/PM attendance
- 🌟 Weekly Bonus:
- 🎁 **Bonus entry** for perfect weekly attendance
- 🌟 Dates:
- 📅 **Tracking starts from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026**
- 🏆 **3 winners per year group** 😊

# Supporting Your Child's Wider Development

## Offer & Opportunity Programme (OOPs) - Spring Term

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**NEW:** Spring term timetable is available here:

<https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/students/oop>

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## Student curriculum

### *How can I find out what my child is learning in each subject?*

#### Careers Guidance at Abbey College

At Abbey College, we help students learn about different jobs and plan for their future. We want them to see how schoolwork links to real life and the world of work.

#### Here's what we provide:

- **A Careers Team** - There are staff who help students with careers:
  - Mrs Moore
  - Mrs Wilson
  - Ms Pollard

Students or parents can contact them if they need help or advice.

- **Easy-to-use Resources:** The webpage gives links to important information so parents and students can learn about choices after school. These links help families find out about jobs, courses, apprenticeships and next steps.
- **Clear Guidance:** We update our careers information every year to make sure it is helpful and accurate.

**The goal:** To help every student understand their options, make good choices, and feel confident about their future.

For more information, click here: <https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/students/careers-guidance>

To find out about your child's curriculums, click here:

<https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/students/curriculum>

## Communicating with us and raising concerns

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*[Click here](#) to access this Communication Flowchart on our website.*

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Other news updates can be found here:

- Our news page: <https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/news/letters-to-parents>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/RamseyAbbeyCollege/posts/>
- Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/abbeycollege\\_ramsey/](https://www.instagram.com/abbeycollege_ramsey/)