



Weekly Family Update – 07.05.26

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

We have enjoyed a lovely spring week, with lots of sunshine and our school grounds looking bright and colourful.

Mornings are still cool, and there is often a chilly breeze. Please remind students to dress for the weather and to wear the correct uniform each day. From the May half-term, students may choose to wear the summer uniform.

Summer Uniform from 1st June

After the half-term break, when the weather is usually warmer, students will no longer need to wear their blazers to school. All other uniform expectations will stay the same.

If we experience a sustained period of very hot weather, we will let you know if students may come to school in their PE kit. Thank you for your continued support.

It has been another excellent week in school. Our Year 11 and Year 13 students are working hard in preparation for their examinations. Their focus and determination are clear, and we are very proud of them. We wish them every success in the weeks ahead.

For all other year groups, internal exams are approaching. There are many chances for students to keep making strong progress, and we are pleased with the positive attitude and effort we see across the school.

Have a lovely 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 using the subject header "Parent Forum Guarantee."

Please read on for essential updates.

Vacancies at Abbey College and across the Meridian Trust

- [Behaviour Assistant](#)
- [1st Line Technician](#)

Click here: <https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/about-us/vacancies>

Celebration of Spirit - Recognition



Headteacher Commendations w/c 04/05/26

The following students have been awarded with Headteacher's Commendations this week for going above and beyond in an area of school life. They will receive 10 Spirit points and a special postcard home.

Dexter	Year 9	Learning Support	Great result in NGRT Reading test, and improvement academically in several subjects.
Massie	Year 11	All subjects	For always being inquisitive, checking her own understanding.
Shannon	Year 11	Science/English	Extra detail in revision notes, testing her knowledge to the next level
Alayna	Year 8	Learning support	Working hard and receiving support with appreciation.
Amelia	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
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Elijah	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
Chloe	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
Ruchit	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
Sam	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
Harley	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
Jensen	Year 8	Science	For representing the school at the Meridian Science Fair
Rhys	Year 7	Form time	Rhys Parry shared in form time his amazing family history. I took pictures during his presentation. We all cheered and I told him how proud we all are for him to organise and share his family history with us.
Mikey	Year 11		Giving support and encouragement to another student with both classwork and revision, Thankyou
Olivia	Year 9	Learning support.	Works hard and receives support with appreciation.
Kenny	Year 9	NGRT (reading)	A substantial increase in reading scores
Talia	Year 8	N/a	For volunteering to improve the school environment by litter picking the South Courts.
Billy	Year 10	English and History	Well done for always being polite and well-behaved at school, and for trying your best! Keep it up, Billy!
Karen	Year 8	N/a	For volunteering to improve the school environment by litter picking the South Courts.
Maisy	Year 11	English	Fantastic focus during the revision lesson on minor characters
Mika	Year 11	Biology	Fantastic focus and determination during revision lesson
Mikey	Year 11	History	Fantastic focus
Jessica	Year 7	Welfare	For resilience -working hard to engage in support for her wellbeing

Staff member of the week

Mrs Peattie – Intuition: For jumping in to help a child in need of immediate first aid. Using back taps until the item he had swallowed dislodged and he could breathe.

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.

Strong Partnerships

Parent's Forum



Dates for your diary!

The next Parent's Forum meetings will be on **Wednesday 20th May** and **Wednesday 1st July**.

Parent Survey

In preparation for the next meeting please see the agenda and complete the Parent's Forum survey to feedback any comments or concerns:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ParentsForum25-26>

Pre-Loved Uniform Shop Openings

The Pre-Loved Uniform Shop will be open the following times:

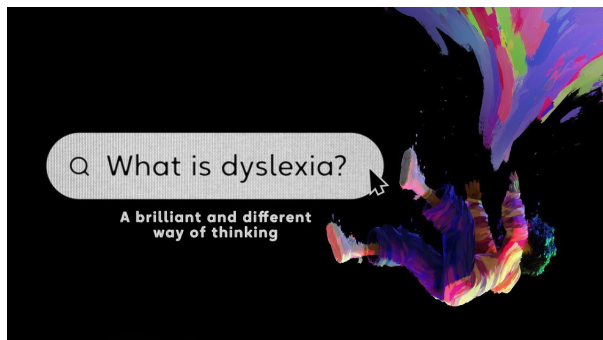
- *Thursday 21st May, 4.30-6pm*
 - *Saturday 27th June during the Year 6 transition morning, 9.30-11.30am*
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- *Please email ParentsForum@abbey.college any questions.*
- *Please find our minutes here: [Parent Forum - Abbey College, Secondary School and Sixth Form in Ramsey](#)*
- *If you would like further information on the Parent's Forum, please email: ParentsForum@abbey.college*

Genevieve Wardle - Chair of Parent's Forum

Useful videos explaining Dyslexia and Autism





Diary Dates

Monday 18 th May	Y12 Geography Trip
Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th May	Half Term
Friday 22 nd May	Y11 Dress for Success
Monday 1 st – Friday 19 th June	Y7 & Y8 Parent Update Window
Friday 5 th June	Y11 last Day
Tuesday 16 th - Thursday 18 th June	Musical Performance Evenings
Friday 19 th June	Alton Towers Attendance Trip
Sunday 21 st June	Bands on the Green
Monday 22 nd – Wednesday 24 th June	Sixth Form Induction
Monday 22 nd June	Y11 & Sixth Form Prizegiving Evening Event – Invitation Only
Thursday 25 th June	Y8 & Y9 HPV Vaccine
Thursday 25 th June	Y11 Prom
Friday 26 th June	Sixth Form Ball
Thursday 25 th to Friday 26 th June	Y6 Transition
Saturday 27 th June	Y6 Transition Event
Monday 29 th June - Friday 3 rd July	Iceland Trip
Monday 6 th & Wednesday 8 th July	Y10 Sixth Form Experience Days
Thursday 9 th – Monday 13 th July	Malcolm Whales Sponsored Walk (Y11/Sixth Form)
Thursday 9 th July	Y10 London History Trip
Friday 10 th July	Y7 Forest Facility Trip
Friday 17 th July	Last Day of Term
Monday 20 th July	INSET Day


Peter Pan The Musical!




We are delighted to invite all families to come and enjoy this year's school performance of Peter Pan! Our talented pupils have been working incredibly hard, and we would love your support for what promises to be a magical performance.

Performance Dates:

 **Wednesday 17th June** – 6:00pm (Doors open at 5:30pm)

 **Thursday 18th June** – 6:00pm (Doors open at 5:30pm)

 **Tickets:** must be purchased in advance via MCAS.

Come along with family and friends to support our wonderful performers and celebrate their hard work. It's sure to be an unforgettable show! ✨

Everything You Need to Know About Assessments



Summer 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No formal subject assessments this half term Reading assessments in English lessons during April 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading proficiency report (updated in May)
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In class subject tests (27th April – 8th May) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spirit Grades Working at grades (Emerging, Developing, Secure, Mastery) End of year 8 target grades
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No formal subject assessments this half term Reading assessments in English lessons during April 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading proficiency report (updated in May)
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No formal subject assessments this half term 		
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spanish Speaking exams start 28th April Art/Textiles Practical exams 5th-8th May GCSE exams start 7th May 		
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No formal subject assessments this half term (unless sitting external AS exams - from 11th May) 		
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Level Exams start 11th May 	17 th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spirit Grades Current working at grades (from trial 2 exams) 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.

Examination Information for families

Click [here](#) to find out everything you need to know about the summer exams.

Ensuring Pupils Feel Safe and Behave Well

Safety First

Bullying Prevention

This week's focus was on bullying prevention. Please reassure your child that bullying or unkindness is not acceptable and encourage them to report any incidents. Working together with the school, we can ensure a safe environment for all pupils.

Useful resources:

- *Anti-Bullying Alliance: <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk>*
- *Kidscape: <https://www.kidscape.org.uk>*
- *welfare@abbey.college*

Promoting Positive Behaviour Every Day

Students crossing Ramsey Golf Course

We have been made aware that a small number of students are walking home by cutting across Ramsey Golf Course, rather than using the public footpath.

The golf club has raised safety concerns. Golf balls can travel at high speed and there is a real risk of serious injury to anyone crossing the course.

Please remind your child that:

- ***The golf course is not a public route***
 - ***They must stay on the public pathways***
 - *Crossing the course puts them and others at risk*
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*Entering the course is also **trespassing** and may lead to:*

- *Action from the golf club*
 - *School follow-up if concerns continue*
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Your support is important in keeping all students safe on their journey home. Thank you for reinforcing this message with your child.

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 30

- **Congratulations:** Attendance Reward trip to Alton Towers- please remember this trip has limited places! If you need information regarding your son's/daughter's attendance, please email attendance@abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk.
- **Reminder:** Please be mindful therefore that occasional days off school due to minor illnesses, such as a cough or sore throat, soon accumulate.
- **How you can help:** Try, where possible, to get your child into school after their medical appointment.

Ms Davis – Attendance Officer

Supporting Your Child's Wider Development

Offer & Opportunity Programme (OOPs) - Summer Term

The timetable is available here: <https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/students/oop>

Student curriculum

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

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

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

Communicating with us and raising concerns

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

Parent Friendly Policy Guide:

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

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/