

## Weekly Family Update - 10.06.22

Welcome to our new digital version of the Weekly Family Update. Please read, share and encourage others to do the same.

For those of you who prefer the more *traditional letter*, a pdf version of this Update will also be sent to families; but please note that this will look a little different from a letter.

### Foreword

A damp start to the week did not deflate spirits with our annual Thorpe Park Rewards Trip taking place today. The impact this trip has had on increasing student attendance is fantastic. Let's keep working together to ensure attendance remains high for the remainder of the term.

Keeping with the theme of rewards, Mrs Noble has been working with our Student Voice groups on a variety of proposals, one of which relates to keeping the campus litter free. The following proposal was approved: weather permitting, if the site is litter free (as indicated by a traffic light system), students will be allowed to use the field the following day during their break and lunch time. Mrs Noble was particularly impressed with the mature nature with which the students were able to present their proposal.

I wish to formally thank our staff and students who gave up their time to represent Abbey College in the Platinum Jubilee celebrations last Sunday. Thank you to those parents who emailed in notes of thanks and recognition of the excellent pride and conduct our students demonstrated.

Finally, it was great to visit many of our prospective new Year 7s in their primary schools this week with Mrs Lane. Many have heard about our Therapy Dog Jasper along with the Sports Leaders Academy, and were keen to find out about the transition events we are putting on this year, including the Saturday team-building day, taking place on the 9th July.

Lots to read below, and please do spend a moment to digest the Curriculum Updates, as this details what your child is currently learning and what next year looks like.

Please continue to take good care of yourselves. Andy Christoforou, Headteacher

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*Please read on for essential updates.*

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### Assessment

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- *Year 7 reports are published this week on both the Edulink and the sims app.*
- *Year 8 and 10 assessments are now being marked and moderated. Reports are due in the week beginning 27.06.22.*

- Year 12 UCAS applications will start to be completed by teachers on Unifrog this half term.

**EduLink update:** The Edulink absence button has gone live this week.


Support with logging in is available via [help@cmat.support](mailto:help@cmat.support).

### Absence Reporting



This feature allows you to send a direct message to the school's attendance officer to notify the school of your child's absence or upcoming absence.

The example below shows you how to select the time and date for the absence request and the reason for the absence.



Jimmy Abbey

From\*

Select start date and time

To\*

Select end date and time

Reason for Absence\*

SEND CANCEL

## Week 33 Attendance News

- **Congratulations** to Year 10 who have collectively increased their attendance every week over the last half term.
- **Reminder:** Abbey College will not authorise holidays during term time. Depending on the length of the holiday, a LA Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) could be imposed.

## Ethos updates

### Uniform

The Green School Shop will be running an appointment system over the Summer months again this year so that parents can benefit from dedicated time and a member of staff to assist them with fitting, and purchasing uniform. From 1st July, all parents wishing to visit the shop can book an appointment beforehand by visiting [www.pmgsschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.pmgsschoolwear.co.uk) and

then clicking on the link at the top of the page. The Green Shop are asking that parents place orders by 12th August to guarantee that uniform will arrive before the start of term in September.

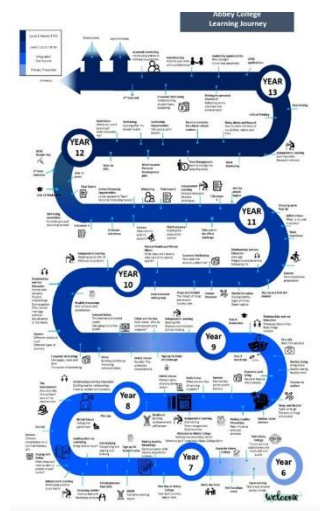


## Curriculum updates

The [Curriculum Section](#) of our website is in the process of being updated this term, so that families can delve fully into individual subject information:

- learning journeys (i.e. the learning experience from Year 7-13);
- subject plans (i.e. what is taught, how it is assessed, and key knowledge);
- knowledge organisers (i.e. overviews of key information used to support student revision).

We are endeavouring to add new content weekly and all subjects will have resources added by the end of this half term, so please keep checking back.



## Headteacher Commendations



The following students have received a Headteacher Commendation this week. They will receive 10 spirit points and special postcard home.

Emily T	Passion: Doing a wonderful job representing Abbey College at the Ramsey Jubilee Parade
Sasha K	
Grace M	
Maya E	
William W	
Millie R	
Ellie-Mae S	
Ava M	
Molly M	
Theo D	
Carson M	
Jessica L	
Maisy M	
Edith I	

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*If you would like to nominate someone for an Abbey College Spirit Award then please follow this [link](#).*

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## Parent Forum - Update



The next Parent Forum Meeting **Parent Forum next meeting – Tuesday 12th July 4:30pm**, where they will be discussing:

- Homework update
- Edulink demo
- PASS results

Please take **our survey to share** any questions or themes you would like the Parent Forum to put to the school in the next meeting. The survey closes on the 14th June.

Survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ParentsForum2022>

## Opportunities at Abbey College

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Parent Governor Vacancy - We have an exciting vacancy for a Parent Governor. For more information click here: <https://www.abbeycollege.cambs.sch.uk/about-us/governing-body>

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## Parent Diary Dates 2021-22

Date	Activity/Event
Monday 27th to Wednesday 29th June	Yr 12 Work Shadowing
Thursday 30th June	Yr 12 UCAS fair visit
Thursday 30th June	Yr 11 prom event
Friday 1st July	Yr 12 futures day
Monday 4th July	Yr 11 & 13 prizegiving event 6-7:30pm [by invitation]
Thursday 7th & Friday 8th July	Sports Days
Friday 22nd July	End of term picnic & early close at 1pm

## Communicating with us

To help you reach the right person if you have a query or concern, we have updated our “contact us” webpage and have included a simplified flowchart to show the most efficient way to communicate with us.

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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/>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/AbbeyCollegeAC>