



The Abbey CE VA Primary School

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Dear Parents,

School Photographs

Individual and family photos will be taken on Monday 5th October. Family photos are scheduled to start at 8.30 am; this is where pre-school children can have a picture taken on their own or with their sibling. Children with a sibling at the school will have a sibling picture taken in addition to an individual one during school hours. **Please note, school aged pupils must be in class by 8.55am.**

Please make sure the children have clean and suitable socks/tights which comply with our school uniform regulations, as they will remove their shoes for the pictures. Clean white socks for the girls and grey or black socks for the boys. Please also make sure your child has a clean school sweatshirt or cardigan, with the Abbey School logo, not the school fleece which is an additional item.

Baby News

We were delighted to see Mrs Tumber this week with the newest addition to her family. Ben Tumber was born on the 15th September weighing 8lbs 15oz. Mrs Tumber, who commenced maternity leave at the end of the summer term, is one of the deputy head teachers here at school and taught Year 6 last year. Mrs Tumber and Ben are both well and Mrs Tumber's eldest son Samuel is enjoying his new role of big brother!



Friends' Association Christmas Cards





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The children have all been busy creating Christmas card designs this week as part of an annual Friends Association fundraising initiative. Next week, parents will be given the opportunity to order high quality Christmas cards or gift tags using your child's artwork via the order form attached to your child's artwork which will be sent home. Order forms and the artwork must be returned to school by Friday 9th October for delivery before the end of the autumn term in time for Christmas. Parents are welcome to assist their child in improving, tweaking or re-doing the artwork if they wish.

Abbey Barn Dance

There will be a Barn Dance in the Nave of the Abbey on Saturday 3 October, starting at 6.30pm (ends c.9.30pm). Everyone is welcome - suitable for families. The Cathedral are pleased to welcome again the band 'Candleford' to lead the dancing. Ploughmans followed by Apple Pie will be served. Bring your own glasses, drinks & nibbles. Ticket prices: £10 Adults; Children (3-14yrs) £5; £25 Family ticket (incl. 2 Adults + 2 or more children under 14yrs). Tickets are on sale after the 9.30 Parish Eucharist or contact Victoria Pullar on 01727 868886 / 07729 054721.

Could You Create a Cake Fit For A Queen?

Waitrose is launching an exclusive competition to design the decoration for a cake to mark The Queen's 90th birthday. Her Majesty will be 90 years old on 21 April next year so what better way to celebrate than with a special birthday cake? The winning design will be chosen by a panel of judges, including celebrated cake maker Fiona Cairns and the organisers of The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration at Windsor Castle next May. The closing date for entries is midnight on Thursday, 15 October.

<http://www.waitrose.com/home/inspiration/competitions/cake-design.html>



Best wishes

Miss Emma Fenn
Headteacher