



ADDINGTON NEWSLETTER



July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are finally at the end of a very full, very exciting, but very hot term! Staff and pupils have managed extremely well to keep cool and calm, whilst still organizing and participating in some fantastic events.

The highlight of the term, as it is every summer, was our Proms week. Every pupil had the opportunity to perform and there were several performances that will provide lasting memories for their determination, joy and ability to bring a tear to the eye! Well done to the Creative Arts Department and all those who took part.

Two more residential trips took place, to Kent and Tirabad and my thanks go to William Daniell for his organisation and commitment and ensuring that the trips provide our pupils with so many different skills, many practiced for the very first time.

This year all our departments have been developing their curricula to better meet the needs of our children and young people. Due to the hard work of our teachers and leaders, we will start September with many new, exciting lessons and activities. Your Head of Department will send out details at the beginning of term.

As it's the end of the year, I need to say goodbye and a heartfelt thank you to our staff leavers, many of whom are leaving to start their training as teachers, and I wish them the very best at the start of their career in this fantastic job. A special mention to Sarah Trepte, a Teaching Assistant who has been at Addington for 8 years and whom many parents will know from having taught their child. Sarah has a double connection with Addington as her son also attended here and I wish her and her family all good wishes for the future.

Finally to all our pupil leavers, some of whom have been at Addington for over 15 years, I wish you and your families all the very best for the future. We will miss you greatly but hope that new, exciting horizons beckon and you put into practice all the skills you have learnt at Addington over the years.

Have a happy relaxing summer holiday and I look forward to seeing pupils back on Wednesday 5th September.

**Sara Attra
Headteacher**

Dear Parents/ Carers

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As the school year comes to a very hot and sunny end, I would like to thank you all for another fantastic year at Addington School. There have been a number of new events that I have been part of, and I have been reminded of the enthusiasm of our families to try something new! The memory of a roomful of parents and carers shimmying along to Justin Timberlake at our Mini Me Yoga workshop makes me smile every time 😊

Please remember to access my website page for information over the summer; there are lots of links to sources of information and support for everything from clubs and events to sources of funding, or clothing lines exclusively designed for children with additional needs.

I wish you all a happy and restful holiday with plenty of fun and happy memories. I also look forward to greeting you back in September!

Best Wishes,

Lucy - Parent Support Adviser

Just a reminder, I no longer work on TUESDAYS. My work mobile, for when I cannot be reached at my desk during school hours, is 07521 744 852. If there are any issues contacting me, please call the office and they can also contact me on your behalf.

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SCHOOL LUNCH PRICE LIST

**Primary Pupils ... £2.00 per day
(£2.05 per day from September 2018)
Secondary/FE Pupils ... £2.20 per day
(£2.25 per day from September 2018)**



All monies should be paid in advance.

ONLINE PAYMENT IS NOW AVAILABLE please ask for details

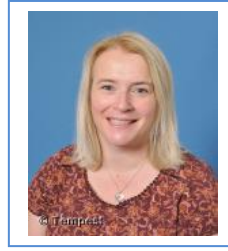
Please remember that lunch MUST be paid for every day.

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Our Senior Leadership Team



Sara Attra
Headteacher



Lynda Wood
Deputy Head



Eirfron Watkinson
Assistant Headteacher



David Maycock
Assistant Headteacher



Sue Tod
School Business Manager

Addington Youth Club

Managed and staffed by
Wokingham Bracknell & Districts Mencap

Wednesday evening 7pm to 9pm
Fun for all youngsters from Year 9 up

Look out for the activities planned for the current term,
come along and try a session.

Contact Wokingham Mencap on 0300 777 8539 for more information.

CAR PARKING REMINDER

1. All drivers **must** use the one-way system marked out by the cones and road markings
 2. **Only** park in marked spaces and not on the end of rows
 3. All pedestrians **must** use the zebra crossing and the pavement when walking children to and from the site. DO NOT WALK on the road by the side of the gates where there is **no pavement** as a short cut. This is very dangerous and could result in an accident
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SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER



Please remember that students should wear school uniform up to (and including) Year 11.

Parent Contact Information

We want to cut down on the amount of paper we send to parents and to get in touch more electronically via emails, texts and our school website www.addington.wokingham.sch.uk).

Apart from the money saved on printing costs, electronic communication is instant. In order to do this we need to be kept up to date with your latest email address and mobile numbers.

If you need to update us please email: office@addington.wokingham.sch.uk

School Mobile App

Our School Mobile App can be downloaded from the links below.

[iTunes](#)

[Play Store](#)

Once you have downloaded the School Jotter app **you will need to select “Addington School” from within the app.**

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The school mobile App is **FREE to download** and enables you to receive news updates and alerts on your phone or other mobile device. You can also view our newsletters and see photos of the students.



Headteacher's Annual Award Winners



Congratulations to the following students who achieved awards this year:

Early Years Progress Award

Winner: Aaron Sondhi

Middle School Progress Award

Winner: George Matthews

Runner Up Nominations:

Jeremy Eitokpah

Presley Shearer

Upper School Progress Award

Winner: Johnny Delehanty

Runner Up Nominations

Johnathan Gillman

Tylier Lynn

Access Award:

Winner: Sofia De Mesquita

Runner Up Nominations

Finlay Bennett

Eleanor Daly

Early Years / Middle School Behaviour Award

Winner: Vincent Miles

Upper School Behaviour Award

Winner: James Whitehead

Friendship Award

Winner: Summer Tingley

Work Experience Award

Winner: Lucas Pidgeon

Runner Up Nominations

Catherine Dowling

Luke Pickles

Sportsperson of the Year Award

Winner: Daniel Skeates

Most Improved Sportsperson Award

Winner: Rowan Nyamardzo

Musician of the Year Award

Winner: Tylier Lynn

Artist of the Year Award

Winner: Shayne Kirby

Annual Headteacher Award

Winner: Johnathon Gillman



Well done everyone...keep up the great work!



SPORTS PAGE



Golf at Sand Martins



On the last 5 After School Sports Club Tuesdays we have been lucky enough to have coaching from a golf professional from Sand Martins Golf Club. The first 3 sessions were here at school, where we learned putting, chipping and how to design a course. The last 2 sessions were at Sand Martins Golf Club, where we walked a hole and learned its features, putted on a practise green and drove on the driving range.

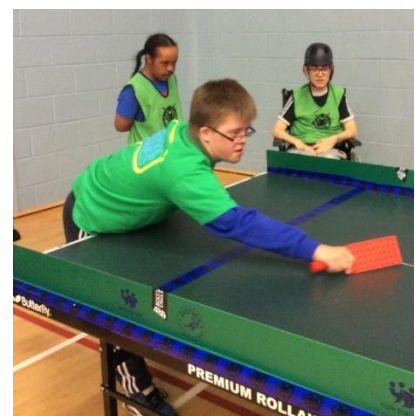
Berkshire Panathlon Multisport Challenge



On Tuesday 5th June, Addington took a team of nineteen students comprising 2 FE classes to the Berkshire Panathlon Challenge at Woodford Park Leisure Centre. The team competed in matches of Boccia, Kurling, Polybat, Table Cricket, Field Athletics, Wheelchair relay



races and running relay races against other Berkshire schools. All the students participated well, had fun and received a medal for their efforts. Well done everyone!



Cricket Tournament at Falkland CC



On Tuesday 10th July, Addington took part in a cricket tournament and skills session at Falkland Cricket Club near Newbury. In the morning we did skills based activities with the coaches, learning catching, bowling, batting and throwing.



Football tournament

On Monday 4th June, Addington took two teams to compete in an SEN football tournament that was held at the Madejski Outdoor Training Centre. Both teams competed really well and played some very good passing football. They showed a great attitude and excellent team spirit to keep going when playing against older students.



Girls' Football Tournament



On Thursday 12th July, Addington took 8 girls to the Wycombe Wanderers Girls' SEN 5-a-side football tournament at Evreham Sports Centre in Iver. Two coaches from Wycombe Wanderers gave the girls an hour coaching and then we played 4 five minute matches. All the girls had a good time and were awarded medals at the end of the session. We then had a picnic lunch before returning to school.

Primary Inter-House Football

33 of our primary students participated in the **Football inter-house** competition on 17 July. Most worked hard to score goals, even if it was not always in the correct goal. This year the House Captains had a bigger role in helping set-up, recording and encouraging the younger students. Well done to them and the students and here are the final results:

1st (tied) – **Red Eagles** and **Green Crocodiles** (7 points)

2nd – **Blue Sharks** (6 points)

3rd – **Yellow Tigers** (4 points)

The Most Valuable Players were:

Red Eagles – Grace Casey & Joshua Martin

Green Crocodiles – Tommy Hunter & Josh Heys

Blue Sharks – Daisy Cornell & Candice-Grace Brink

Yellow Tigers - Rhys Mullenje & Lloyd Locke

Thank you to all the staff and House Captains that made this event such a success.



Berkshire Panathlon Challenge Swimming Gala

On Thursday 7th June, Addington took nine Swimmers to the London Aquatic Centre at the Olympic Park to compete in the Berkshire Region Panathlon Swimming Gala. It was such a privilege to be able to use the Olympic Pool and all the competitors had fun. We competed well and finished in 4th place. All the members of the team received medals.



SPORTS DAYS RESULTS 2018



The RESULTS were as follows:

Secondary/FE sports day was won by: **Green Crocodiles**

Primary Sports day was won by: **Red Eagles**

Combining all the medal and house events from the morning events with the races in the afternoon the **overall winning house** was the **Green Crocodiles**



FINAL POINTS

Green Crocodiles = 679 points

Yellow Tigers = 642 points

Red Eagles = 638 points

Blue Sharks = 598 points

SECONDARY & FE MORNING MEDALS

EVENTS	Gold	Result	Silver	Result	Bronze	Result
Softball Throw Finley Jewell 28.4m (2015)	Daniel Skeates	25.60m	Johnny Delahanty	19.80m	Daniel Lawrence	19.40m
Javelin Dominic Gardner 24m (2012)	Daniel Skeates	21.50	Conor Lashbrook	15.85	Tylier Lynn	14.25
Kurling (new)	Carys Westgate	170	Favor Onoriode Eleanor Daly	130	Abi Wong	125
Boccia Angus Boyd-Smith 280pts (2013)	William Kinge	190	Piers Heys	180	Vincent Miles	140
Ball chest push Shayne Kirby 8.25m (2014)	Cameron Baxter Ben Renoylds	6.25m	Tom Goldfinch	5.25m	Kalem Forde James Whitehead	4.50m
Standing long jump Stuart Waters 2.64m (2015)	Ollie McGrath	1.6m	David Russell	1.55m	Alex Green	1.5m
Rowing (30 sec) Liam Alleyne 168m (2015)	Daniel Skeates	166m	Tylier Lynn	148m	Conor Lashbrook	132m



PRIMARY MORNING MEDALS

EVENTS	Gold	Result	Silver	Result	Bronze	Result
Kurling* (new)	Lewie Cheeseman	200	Owen Kyle	185	Inaya Akram	155
Boccia* 280pts- Finlay Bennett (2014)	Matthew Weston *	300	Daniel Kral	280	James Benjamin-Philip	270
Nerf Torpedo Throw* (new)	Levi Barnes	35.3	Danny Shilton	30.8	Rowan Nyamaradzo	23m
Ball chest push* 6.3m Danny Shilton (2017)	Tom Cannon	2.25	Candice-Grace Brink	1.75	Connor Richardson Chloe Wilkins	1.5
Standing long jump* 1.73 Danny Shilton (2014)	Danny Shilton*	185	Rowan Nyamaradzo	180	Levi Barnes	145
Number Bean Bag Throw (new)*	David Bentley	74	Angelo Fappiano	50	Mannat Kaushal	44





SEN school Tag Rugby Tournament



On Monday 18th June, Addington entered two teams into the Berkshire Special Schools Tag Rugby Tournament which was held at Brookfields School. The Amber team finished 3rd and the Green team were agonisingly pipped by Brookfields in extra time in the final to finish second. It was a hot sunny day and all the students worked hard and enjoyed the competition.

Berkshire School Games – Bisham Abbey

At the Berkshire Schools Summer Games, Addington entered a team in the Unified Basketball competition. We teamed up with John Madejski Academy to play against other Special Schools and their mainstream partners at the games at Bisham Abbey. Our team finished just outside the medals in fourth place. Our students enjoyed playing with and socialising with the JMA students who they have got to know over the last few weeks during the joint training sessions kindly run by Reading Rockets basketball team. Thank you to the JMA students who have been so friendly and inclusive.



Waingels' Multi-Skills Disability Festival – July 2018



On Tuesday 17th July, pupils from Ness & Sam's class attended a multi-skills disability festival at Waingels' College. The sport leaders from Waingels' organised the skill stations. Pupils played Boccia, Kurling, Tennis, Basketball and Football. Haaris and Ryan were nominated as star pupils in their group and were awarded a trophy.

Woodley School Sports Week Dance Festival

20 Addington students participated in the Dance Festival. Most primary and secondary schools in Woodley participated in this event as part of the Woodley Schools Sports Week. The theme was 'Countries'.



Addington students represented America and danced to 'This is me' from the Greatest Showman. They practised this dance for 8 weeks, during Tuesday lunchtimes, and worked very hard to make it a successful performance. Well done to all who performed brilliantly in front of 5 other schools and parents in the Woodford Park Leisure centre sports hall. A big thank you to Suzanne, Collette, Lynn, Basant and George for giving up their time and making this event such a success.

PE Department

Woodley School Sports Week Polybat

Addington School hosted a polybat competition on Wednesday 23rd May as part of Woodley School Sports Week. Teams from Highwood, Southlake, Earley St Peter's and Addington fought a noisy, energetic but friendly battle. Southlake finished first, Highwood and Earley St Peter's tied for second and Addington were third. Each competitor received a medal. Thank you to the House Captains for their help with setting up, clearing away and scoring.



Woodley School Sports Week Swimming Gala

On Tuesday 22nd May Addington took a swimming team to Bluecoat School to take part in a gala with other Woodley Schools as part of Woodley School Sports Week. The students competed well against the mainstream schools in the competition and enjoyed the day.



Woodley School Sports Week Multi-skills

On Friday 25th May Woodley Schools Sports Week finished with a Primary Multi-skills event at Goals at Bulmershe School. Our students were able to try table tennis, tag rugby, handball and tennis. Each sport was ably organised by Bulmershe sports leader students. This celebration of sport was enjoyed by all.



SPORTS SHORTS

If you are recycling sports shorts, please will you send them into school for the P.E department.

Mel, Danny and Ian

Early Years

This term the children across the four classes have all enjoyed the topic 'Under the Sea & The Seaside.' We have been making the most of the hot weather by experiencing water play in a variety of ways. We wish all the students all the best in their new classes.



Daisy Class have enjoyed exploring our sea themed books through our sensory stories and sensory trays. Fish have been explored in all shapes and sizes and we created a sea scene using a variety of art techniques to create the water, sand and creatures of the deep.

We have continued to really enjoyed exploring food through sensory play, tasting and cooking. We have continued to develop our senses in the sensory rooms and exploring our outside environment.

Our class highlights have been bringing the water and sensory play inside to avoid the heat by using a tarpaulin that covered the classroom and transformed the classroom into a wet area. We really enjoyed visiting to the Thames Valley Park again and see all the children perform in Proms and sports day.



In Sunflower Class

This term we have enjoyed making a collage with stickers of lots of different sea creatures, we have loved the book 'I'm the biggest thing in the Ocean', especially liking acting it out. Of course, we have also been doing loads of water and sand play.

We have met our new teachers and are all very excited about next year!



In Tulip class



This term we have enjoyed making boats using cardboard boxes, dressing up as pirates and decorating rainbow fish. We had a great Sports Day with everyone trying their best and lots of the children won a medal! We also had a great Proms performance and enjoyed performing the Very

Hungry Caterpillar Song in Addington's Got Talent!



Lily Class

This term Lily class have engaged in a variety of seaside themed activities. We have made and explored edible sand and explored various summer themed foods during our food play sessions including ice-cream and summer fruits. The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed playing outside the water with our dancing daisy sprinkler and the hose! Most of our pupils attended the various activities and performances during Proms week. All pupils participated in at least one physical activity and race on our Sports Day - they all did brilliantly and we were very proud of each and every pupil in the class - Well done!





Yvonne Wilson
Head of Early Years

Daisy
Sunflower
Tulip
Lily

Thank you for all your support this year, have a good summer!
The Early Years Team

Middle school newsletter

The half term began, as it continued with excitement in the natural world. We watched some grey partridge chicks hatching from their eggs, finding their feet and learning about the world around them.



We hope that they are all thriving now in their natural habitat!



KS 3 classes have been exploring the workings of the inner organs of the body

Our KS 2 topics 'What can you see in the Summer?' and 'Why Do Ladybirds Have Spots?' and the KS3 topic Scented Garden have lent themselves to a lot of outdoor exploration- which in the hottest summer on record has been a bit of a mixed blessing! We have certainly learnt about the importance of watering our plants and it has been a bumper harvest for our produce. Minibeasts have also thrived in the hot weather giving us lots of opportunities for encounters of the creepy crawley kind!

Many Middle school classes have been out and about this half term enriching their curriculum with culture, sport or science and nature.



Birch pupils take their seats in the Hexagon for Awful Aunty



Willow, Pine, Maple and some of Birch class have visited Beale Park.

While Chestnut and Sycamore class have been Bell Boating on the Thames.



As the hot weather seems set to continue into August I wish you a wonderful summer and hope you manage to stay cool 😊



Yvonne Edwards
Head of Middle School

Oak
Apple
Birch
Pine
Willow
Rowan
Maple
Chestnut
Sycamore

Upper School – Summer



Owl class have been to the other side of the world to explore the rainforest. They have explored the animals through jungle massage, the weather conditions and making smoothies with some food that grows in



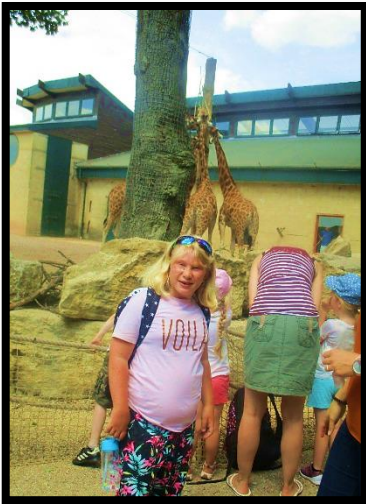
It has been a busy summer term for all Upper School students. There have been residential experiences to Calvert Trust, Kingswood and Tirabid. Judging from the photographs, we have very adventurous students at Addington School!



Key Stage 4 students have been to Bisham Abbey to take part in Bell Boating activities. The weather was ideal for paddling up and down the River Thames. Students enjoyed spotting the local points of interest, particularly when passing the Sultan of Brunei's residence. The day finished with a competitive race.



Upper School – Summer



Marwell Zoo is a favoured location for our young people in Upper School. Having been involved in several conservation projects at Addington, students enjoyed the chance to compare their efforts to the professionals at Marwell. Highlights of trips have been feeding giraffes, seeing Snow Leopards and spotting meerkats.

Proms was a huge success this year. Being the older students in the school, upper school students were able to be given extra responsibilities for filming, lights and sound.



Students have also been working hard in drama work-shops and balancing this with some relaxation during yoga.



Cooking for the Season is always a consideration during practical cookery classes. With this in mind, students in FE have been learning how to prepare and pack picnics. Obviously the best bit was actually going on a picnic!

Upper School – Summer



Being able to use their free-time productively is an important skill for our young people, especially as they prepare for six weeks off-school. This term we have been outdoors learning exploring a range of interests and activities that help us to occupy time productively. As you can see, everyone has thoroughly enjoyed this busy term in upper school.



Have a brilliant summer everyone, and see you in the new term!



Emer Moore
Head of Upper School

Swan
Kite
Falcon
Eagle
Kestrel
Robin



Creative Arts

This school year has really raced by and already we are nearly at the end of the final term! It's a busy but exciting time for the music team as students take part in performances and show how much they have improved over the year in our Proms Week.

Addington Proms

Class Performances

Every class group performed during Proms week. Pieces included 'Don't Stop', 'Castle on the Hill' and 'Flea, Fly, Mosquito'. Some students performed in the large hall and others performed in the sensory theatre. Classes all performed brilliantly everyone should be very proud of their achievements.



Instrumental concerts



All of our students that have instrumental lessons performed with the support of their teacher. They really impressed everyone with how much they have developed their skills over the year and have inspired some of our students to try new instruments.

Addington Ensembles



The week was a chance to showcase our ensembles and groups. Our Addington band performed 4 new pieces and showed how much they have progressed as an ensemble over the year. The Theatre Club performed

a set of exciting songs from different musicals like 'Les Miserables' and 'Starlight Express'. Xylophone and percussion club performed the main theme from 'Star Wars' and 'The Final Countdown'. 'Team Tempo' and Junior rhythm group performed some energetic pieces too. Some students shared the music they have exploring on the sound beam and music production students shared some of their compositions.



Visiting Schools

Once again we had local schools visit us during Proms week to perform. They included Bulmershe, Willow Bank Juniors, South Lake Primary, St. Nicholas Primary, Kennel Lane, The Holt and Colleton Primary.

Addington's Got Talent!

The Talent Show was a fantastic end to the week and brought the whole school together. Yet again our students showed their talents of singing and dancing as the afternoon was filled with students between Reception and year 14 taking to the stage, including solos, duets and class groups!

Art work

The school have been making butterflies in preparation for a whole school art piece which will be assembled and displayed in September. Watch this space!

Key Stage 1 singing event

This half term we have hosted a morning of singing for Key Stage 1 children in the local area. Over 200 children came to join us for fun singing morning.

Wishing you a restful and sunny summer holiday!

Sean, Jules and Martin

ADDINGTON SCHOOL TERM DATES
2018 - 2019

Autumn Term 2018

Staff Training - Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 September
(school closed to pupils)

Wednesday 5 September - Wednesday 19 December

Half Term: Monday 22 October - Monday 29 October (inclusive)

Spring Term 2019

Thursday 3 January - Friday 5 April

Half Term: Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February (inclusive)

Summer Term 2019

Staff Training - Tuesday 23 April (school closed to pupils)

Wednesday 24 April - Tuesday 23 July

May Day Holiday - Monday 6 May

Half Term: Friday 24 May - Friday 31 May (inclusive)

190 days for pupils