



Abbot Beyne School

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Dear Parents and Carers

I often talk about achievement and attendance as the key things we focus on at school. Ultimately however, our number one priority is safeguarding and keeping students safe. If you have a safeguarding concern for a student of Abbot Beyne School outside of normal school hours, if you email us we cannot guarantee that we will pick it up until the following day. You should always receive an out of office hours email that bounces back to you. On this email there are a series of other contacts for you if your email was of a safeguarding concern.

We are currently looking for governors with particular specialisms in finance, health and safety or HR. If you believe you have the necessary skills to be able to support in one of these areas and would be willing to become a governor for Abbot Beyne School please contact Nicola Wagstaff, the clerk to the governors at n.wagstaff@abbotbeyneschool.co.uk.

Last week I highlighted our Education Evening that is being held on Thursday 3rd October at 6pm in Evershed Hall. Whilst this is predominantly aimed at Year 7 parents, it is open to all parents at the school. During the evening we talk about our use of iPads and Showbie, homework including knowledge organisers and Sparx and some of the apps we use in school. If you came last year it is a very similar evening so you are more than welcome to attend but it might not be worth it. The evening last year finished around 7.15pm. Further details will be sent out next week.

Another reminder that the Sixth Form Open Evening will take place on Wednesday 9th October between 6pm and 7.45pm. The evening begins at 6pm with talks in the hall from myself, the Head of Sixth Form, Mrs Pollitt, and our Head Students. Subject talks will then begin at 6.30pm with each one lasting 15 minutes.

We have seen an increase this week in iPad misuse by students (they are on other apps when they should be working). All staff run a report at the end of every lesson and any student not on what they should be will receive a negative point. For repeat offenders we are going to be introducing a series of sanctions so please talk to your child about not doing this if you have seen them receive a negative point for this on Bromcom.

Thank you for your ongoing support and if we can do anything to help, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

Mr J Tickle

Headteacher