

Message from Mr Pettitt

It has been great to see the children return after half term refreshed and ready for the remainder of the autumn term. This term we look forward to welcoming parents and carers to the Reception and Y2&3 Nativity performances, Y4 Christmas Tree Service and Y5&6 Trust Christmas Concert in addition to the class assemblies, Welcome Wednesday and Friendly Fridays.

Reading Challenge

We have launched our reading challenge!

To complete the challenge your child will need to read at least 4 times a week for 4 weeks. The reading challenge was introduced to children on Friday 7th November and will run for 4 weeks. Every Friday each reading log will be checked to see if the children have read 4 times so please sign their reading log each time they read. We recommend reading for at least 10-15 minutes with an adult and sharing a discussion about the text.

If your child completes the reading challenge successfully, they will receive a Non-Uniform Day Voucher. This voucher will allow them to come to school on a day of their choice in non-uniform. Your child may like to keep it for their birthday or a special day for them.



We are pleased to announce that Abbot's Hall has achieved a 'UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting School' award.

This award shows that we have fully embedded children's rights throughout our school in our policies, practice and ethos. We are very proud of this achievement.



Building upgrade

Over the next few weeks we are pleased to be replacing all the doors throughout the main building with new modern fire doors. These will help make the learning areas look brighter.



A few of our Year 5 pupils will be supporting Children in Need by selling a range of items they have made including bracelets and necklaces. These will sell for 50p and £1 on Wednesday 12th November after school.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal



As part of our commitment to kindness and global citizenship, we would like to take part in the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. This wonderful initiative provides gifts to children in deprived areas around the world who might otherwise receive nothing at all this Christmas.

Make up a shoebox gift – Decorate a standard-sized shoebox and fill it with small items. Please wrap up the lid and box separately so the charity can check inside beforehand. Please see your emails for what to include.

OR

Donate individual items – If you prefer, you can simply send in one or two suitable items, and we will put together shoeboxes as a school community.

All shoeboxes and donations should be brought to school by Wednesday 12th November.

Together, we can make a real difference and show children around the world that they are remembered and cared for.

Year 1 Geography and History learning

Year 1 have been learning about Mary Anning in History. They made some of their own 'curiosities', just like Mary Anning discovered, using dinosaurs, shells and playdoh. In Geography, they have been learning about the features of the UK and have enjoyed making their own Loch Ness monsters!

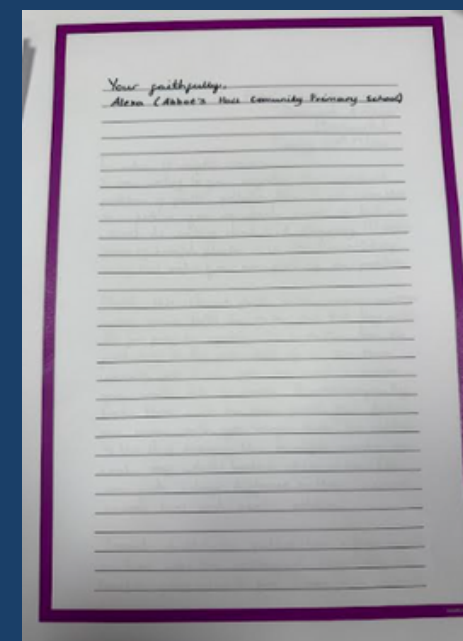
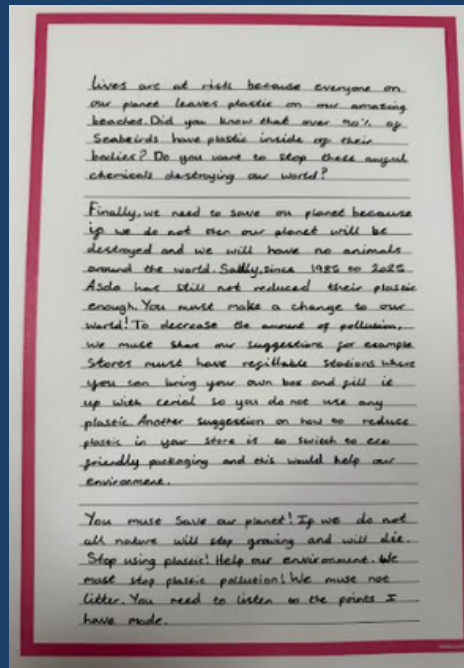
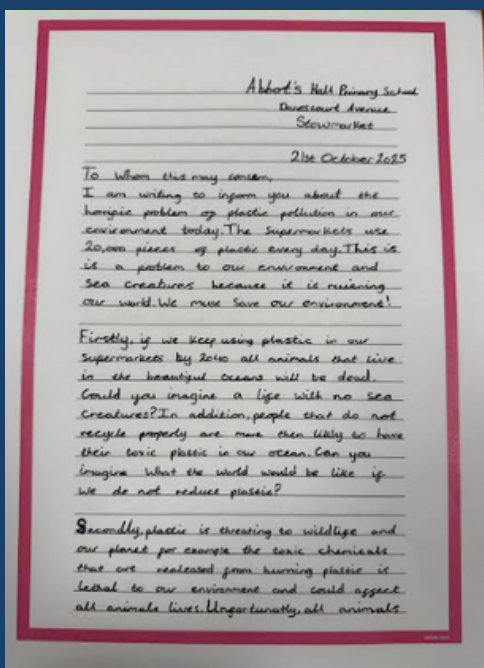
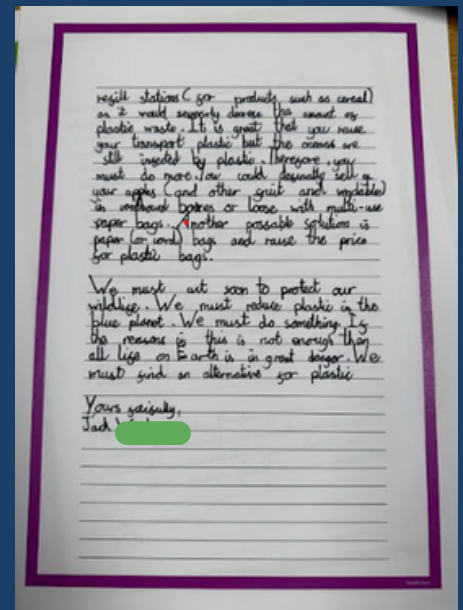
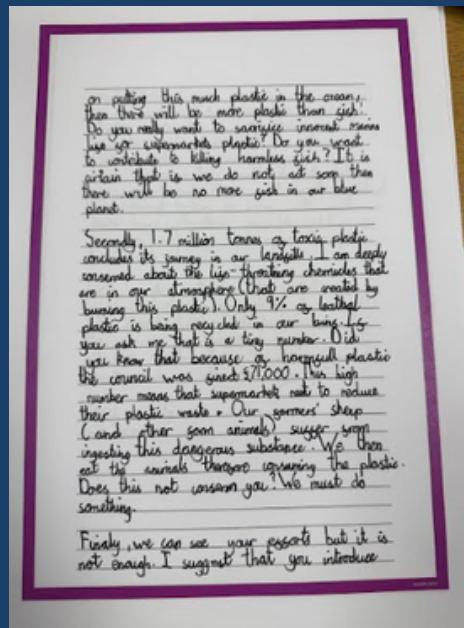
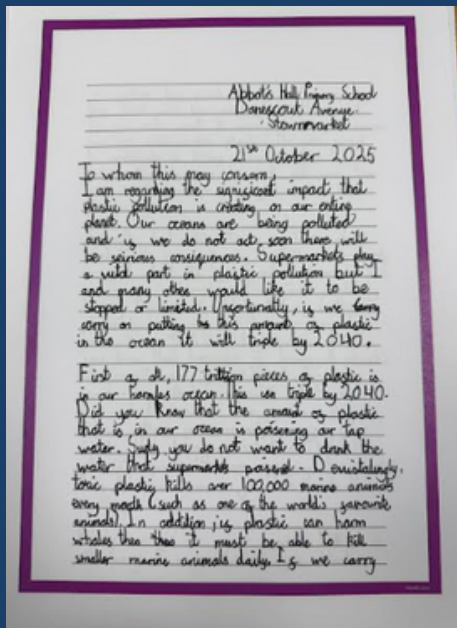


Year 5 Bury St Edmunds Trip



Year 6 Writing Formal letters

Our 6 pupils have been writing formal letters to our local supermarkets to support in our global mission of reducing the use of plastics. You will see the passion our pupils have for this topic in some examples below.



Christmas Preparations

Children in specific year groups will all be very busy over the next few weeks learning songs and script words, in preparation for their Christmas shows. Please help in supporting your children in learning any lines and song words they may bring home.

We look forward to welcoming parents to these performances very soon!

Dates for the Diary

Fri 7th Nov - 2.45pm Mrs Morris/ Mrs Cox' Friendly Friday

Weds 12th Nov - 2.45pm Mrs Scrivener/ Mrs Brown's Welcome
Wednesday

Fri 14th Nov - 9am Year 5 Class Assembly

Fri 14th Nov - Wear 'Spots' or 'All things Pudsey' for Children in Need

Fri 14th Nov - 2.45pm Mrs Booth's Friendly Friday

Weds 19th Nov - 2.45pm Miss Payea Welcome Wednesday

Fri 21st Nov - 9am Year 6 Class Assembly

Fri 21st Nov - 2.45pm Mrs Thomas' Friendly Friday

Weds 26th Nov - 2.45pm Mrs Inman/ Mrs Evans' Welcome Wednesday

Fri 28th Nov - 2.45pm Miss Smith's Friendly Friday

Weds 3rd Dec - 2.45pm Mr Dunne's Welcome Wednesday

Tues 9th Dec - 2.30pm Foundation Stage Nativity

Weds 10th Dec - 9.15am Foundation Stage Nativity

Tues 16th Dec - 2.00pm Phase 2 Christmas Show

Weds 17th Dec - 9.15am Phase 2 Christmas Show