

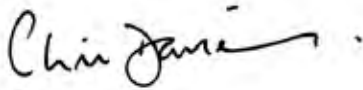
ABINGDON PREPARATORY SCHOOL

The final weeks of the summer term are punctuated by trips, school and house cricket matches, the summer concert, sports day and a host of activities to keep us busy. The leavers' party however reminds us that another generation is about to move on. The vast majority will, as ever, go on to our senior school, Abingdon, and many of them with scholarships and other awards. We hope that they will take some very happy memories with them.

Many will have enjoyed their time on the sports field. We have played more fixtures than ever before this year and enjoyed success at both team and individual level. Congratulations in particular to our southern region fencing Master of Arms, and to our academy squad member at the London Wasps Rugby Club.


Others will have enjoyed the performing arts. Our main production this year was "Carrots"- a musical about Dr Barnardo who founded the Barnardo's charity. Over 100 actors and musicians produced powerful performances at the Amey Theatre. The musical was very much enjoyed by audiences, who braved the worst winter snows for 20 years, to attend. Over £7000 was presented to Dr David Barnardo, great-great nephew of Dr Thomas Barnardo, who founded the charity.

If you would like your son to join us at Abingdon Preparatory School or simply to find out more about us, please contact Jacky Barratt at registrar@abingdonprep.org.uk
Bursaries (up to 100%) are available.



Headmaster

"I have most enjoyed the warm, welcoming feel of the School. I have been at this School for 9 years and got that sense every time I walked in, every morning. I would say it is a perfect place to grow up." Year 8 pupil



ABINGDON
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Independent education for boys from 4-13 years

Open Mornings:
Tuesday 6 October (pre-prep)
Saturday 14 November (whole school)

We would be delighted to welcome you to our open mornings or if you would like to visit the School at any time.
We have a few places available, in some year groups, for September 2009

Contact registrar@abingdonprep.org.uk
T: 01865 391570
www.abingdon.org.uk

Graduate student available
this summer from June for any or all odd jobs, gardening, babysitting, pets; £7 per hour. References available. Please contact Graeme Innes on 390368.

To get a notice or small advert included please contact the editor 01865 391725

BBOWT Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust

Wed 8 July 7.30 - 9.30pm

Bees in Your Garden

Ivan Wright of Shotover Wildlife will talk about these fascinating creatures and bring some examples for closer inspection.

Venue Grove Village Hall Main Street Grove OX12 7JY
Admission £2.50 donation for work of the Trust

Contact Anita 07711 656945



Saturday 1 August 9 Am - 2 Pm

Upper Thames Summer Fair

Abingdon Market Square

Children's activities, tombola, home made cakes/preserves table top sale, and lots more. Admission Free

Contact Shirley Jarvis 01865 371297

Saturday 15 August 8 - 10 Am

Morning Birdwatching At Farmoor

Join a local birdwatcher for an early morning walk of approx 4km around Farmoor Reservoir and surrounding woods looking for both resident and migratory birds.

Venue Farmoor Reservoir, visitor car park (gate 3)

Admission Free (32 site parking fee)

Contact Anita 07711 656945. No dogs please.

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- Shift up the gears earlier (between 2000 and 2500rpm). Cruising comfortably in 5th gear is the best place to be.
- Cut your top speed. Wind resistance increases significantly with speed. The optimum speed for fuel efficiency is 45 – 50mph.
- Avoid unnecessary braking by anticipating the traffic ahead. Fluid motion is better than stop start.
- When slowing down, stay in gear and take your foot off the accelerator as early as possible. This reduces fuel consumption to near zero.
- Plan your route to avoid congestion or getting lost.

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