

## **Abberley Parochial V.C. Primary School: Parish Report April 2026**

At Abberley Parochial V.C. Primary School, our daily life is rooted in our vision: to **Love, Grow, and Flourish Together**.

This vision is more than just words on a wall; it is the heartbeat of our school. To Love means we prioritise kindness and belonging, ensuring every child feels valued as a unique individual. To Grow reflects our commitment to curiosity and resilience, as our pupils navigate their learning with confidence. Finally, to Flourish Together captures our ultimate goal—that our children do not just succeed academically, but develop the character and spirit to contribute positively to our wider community and the world beyond.

This vision has been in vibrant action throughout the past year. We have seen relationships blossom through our Year 6 "buddy system," where our oldest pupils support our youngest, and our "Happy Lunchtime" initiative, which encourages play across all year groups. Our House competitions in singing, sport, and art continue to enrich the "whole child." We are proud that our music provision has been awarded the 'Music Mark,' reflecting our ongoing investment in our pupils' creative development.

We aim for every child to represent Abberley in a sporting tournament during their time here. This year, that dedication resulted in "silverware" across football, hockey, netball, and rounders. We are also incredibly proud to have once again been awarded the School Games Mark Gold Award.

Growing children's minds and curiosity. This year, pupils have explored what spirituality means to them, reflecting on our place within God's wonderful world. We have strengthened our community links by pupils leading services for Remembrance, Harvest, Christmas, and Easter alongside Rev'd David and Tobias. Looking ahead, we are excited to launch joint biodiversity projects between the school grounds and St. Mary's Church.

In the classroom, our staff has been busy developing the curriculum, with a particular focus on our new approach to writing. There is a visible "buzz" of excitement as pupils engage with new class texts and bring their ideas to life on paper.

These efforts are reflected in our academic results. Our Key Stage 2 statutory assessments for reading, writing, and maths combined are above the national average. Additionally, 100% of our Year 1 pupils passed their Phonics Screening Check, and our Reception pupils exceeded national averages for "Good Level of Development."

Our pupils have been active ambassadors in the village, hosting a successful Macmillan Coffee Morning and helping plant the new "Orchard Community" area in Abberley. Further afield, our Key Stage 2 pupils grew their independence during school residentials, and our choir performed beautifully at the Royal Three Counties Show. We also continue to work closely with Abberley Pre-school on collaborative events and we were delighted to hear of their recent award.

None of this would be possible without the hard work of our staff, the engagement of our pupils, and the support of our parents and the wider community. We are especially grateful to the Friends' Association; their fantastic social events have brought joy to families and funded the transformation of our school hall, restoring it to its former glory.

It has been a wonderful year of loving, growing, and flourishing together.