



ABBOT'S LEA SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

Ref: BBC Filming – Consent for Background Appearance

On Thursday, 6 and Friday, 7 November 2025, we were visited by the BBC to film a feature showcasing strong practice in Special Educational Needs at Abbot's Lea School.

This coverage is scheduled to air on BBC One Show during the week commencing Monday, 24 November 2025. If we receive the exact date and time, we will share this information with you via direct communications.

When the film crew entered an area of the school, students were asked whether they were happy to be on the footage and many moved to get into shot! Those who did not want to be in the background supported the crew in filming activities (without featuring in the footage). Where students could not articulate their views, the staff who know them well advocated for them.

We would like to reassure you that all students in the background were behaving in a happy, regulated manner, and their conduct made us feel extremely proud. A huge congratulations to them!

All students who were featured prominently in the filming had specific consent sought in advance. However, we are contacting you because your child appeared in the background of some footage.

Please let us know whether you are happy for your child's image to be shown by completing the consent form via the link below:

[BBC Filming – Consent for Background Appearance – Fill out form](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Tobin
Deputy Headteacher