

# Aberford CE Primary Weekly Newsletter

## 10th March 2023

#### **Message from Mrs Crossley**

Well, what a funny day today turned out to be! The bright sun streaming in through the windows is a far cry from the bleak mid-winter views from 6am this morning!

I want to say a big thank you to all the staff here at Aberford for making such huge efforts to get in to school, despite the weather. Thank you also to the parents who offered help and support if we needed it and to those of you with warm words to staff in the playground. These things really do mean a lot to us. Deciding whether to close the school or stay open is always a very difficult decision and not one that I ever enjoy making

The children have had a good day in school and several snowmen were built!

Fingers crossed that this is it for adverse weather and we can get on with enjoying spring!

#### **Comic Relief**

Next Friday is Comic Relief day. Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform and bring in a donation for this very worthwhile charity.

#### Message from the Office

Please can all outstanding dinner money, breakfast club fees and trip/residential money be brought up to date over the weekend. We currently have £1200.50 owed in. Thank you

#### Skip School

Yesterday, Class 3 went to Armley Leisure Centre to complete in one of the Leeds Skip School competitions and we were delighted to win! This means that we will be invited to a finals event in May – more details to follow when we know them.

Despite tough competition from other schools, our children's strong skipping skills and determined spirit shone through and we received gold in many events, taking us though to win overall! We brought home a huge stack of certificates which will be given out next week.

Our children were a credit to the school and behaved impeccably, cheering on children from all the school and showing excellent sportsmanship.

We are looking forward to Class 2 competing in Skip School in June.

#### Dates:

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March Comic Relief Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March Class photos Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March Big Dance Off Wednesday 29th March Parents' Evening

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March Easter Church Service (time tbc) Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March Easter raffle and non-uniform

Friday 31st March School closes for Easter

Monday 17th April School reopens for summer term



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#### Science

#### <u>British Science Week – Connections</u>

British Science Week begins Friday 10th March and end Sunday 19th March. The theme this year is connections. At Aberford we want to use this theme to make connections between our lives, our families and our community. In school we will be talking about this throughout Science Week, but wanted to invite you to explore it at home too.

We want to create a **My Life, My Science** area in school that celebrates and explores examples of children engaging with Science in their lives.

We invite children and families to think about Science in their day to day life and to bring in photos, drawings, models, poems, stories or any kind of format that make connections between life and science.

- Do you have any family members who work in Science? Gardeners? Farmers? Health Professionals? Research? Could you bring in a photo of them and tell us about what their role involves?
- Do you look after a pet at home? How do you look after them? What do they need to be healthy?
- Do any of you have any Science hobbies like star gazing, fossil hunting, bird watching or gardening to name just a few?
- Do you do any volunteering in your local environment that protects the environment, for example litter picking?
- Have you recently been to a science-related museum or watched a science-related documentary you want to share?
- Do you have any toys at home related to Science? For example, with magnets or circuits? Do you have a special torch that projects images?
- Do you have a favourite Scientist that you like reading about?

We'd love to hear from you! Any questions please ask Mrs Jennings via Class Dojo or come and see her in Class Two Monday - Wednesday. Happy Science Week.