



# Aberford CE Primary

## Weekly Newsletter

### 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

#### Message from Mrs Crossley

Today we have had a visitor into school and all children in school have taken part in workshops learning about British Values. This has been exciting and informative and children from our eldest in year 6, to our youngest in nursery have learned about democracy, mutual respect, the rule of law, individual liberty and tolerance of others. The workshops have been active and involved role play, discussion and voting and the children have learned a lot, in a relaxed and fun environment.

In other news, we are sure you will join us in saying congratulations to Miss Brown, who is expecting her second child and will be due around February. The class will be well supported throughout this time to ensure continuity for the children and will continue to be taught by Mrs Sanpher and Mrs O'Neill, who already know the children well and will ensure a smooth transition.

#### Message from the Office

Please can all outstanding breakfast club, dinner money and residential fees from last year be brought up to date by the end of the week. Thank you

#### Attendance this week

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| Whole School | 98%   |
| Class 1      | 100%  |
| Class 2      | 97.9% |
| Class 3      | 99.3% |
| Class 4      | 96.3% |

Our school attendance target is 97%

#### Attendance

We are now using the new Local Authority attendance policy and all letters sent to parents regarding attendance and holiday requests will be template letters taken from the Leeds Attendance Toolkit. Please also note that a new Leave of Absence form is now on our website and this is the one you need to use if you are requesting time off school for your child. Please also remember that you must inform the school if your child is absent due to illness. If your child is not at school and we cannot contact you, we will need to carry out a welfare visit to your house to check your child is not missing.

#### Collection Time

Please can I remind all parents that the school day ends at **3:15** and all children must be collected punctually at this time. If any families regularly collect their children after this time, we will be referring them to our cluster family support, to agree a plan to help them improve their punctuality.

#### Christian Values Award



|    |            |                              |
|----|------------|------------------------------|
| C1 | Rafferty   | Always joining in            |
| C1 | Benjamin C | Always listening             |
| C2 | Arabella   | Fantastic English            |
| C2 | Leo        | Trying hard                  |
| C3 | Hadi       | A wonderful work ethic       |
| C3 | Archie     | A super attitude to learning |
| C4 | Evie       | Joining in in discussions    |
| C4 | Lottie     | Always giving 100%           |

#### Lunchtime Award

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| Coming soon |  |
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#### Dates this half term:

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (date changed)

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Book Fair  
Cycling proficiency Y6  
Harvest Festival  
in Church 9.15am  
Parents' Evening 2:00 – 8:00pm  
School closes to children

#### Housepoints

|            |           |               |
|------------|-----------|---------------|
|            | This week | Running total |
| Becca      |           |               |
| Lotherton  |           |               |
| Parlington |           |               |
| Hazlewood  |           |               |