



Aberford CE Primary

Weekly Newsletter

20th January 2023

Message from Mrs Crossley

Phonics

Our Little Wandle phonics scheme is now up and running and staff in school have spent many hours over December and January completing training so that they can deliver this scheme with full fidelity to it. The children are really enjoying their learning and we can already see their skills starting to improve. Have a look at our phonics page on our website for more information about this, including a parent information powerpoint.

<https://www.aberfordprimaryschool.co.uk/our-school/curriculum/english>

Rubik's Challenge

On Wednesday, children in class 4 were surprised to discover that Louise, one of lunchtime supervisors, had a fantastic hidden skill! She amazed them all by solving a Rubik's cube in under 5 minutes! She explained to them afterwards that she had learned this skill years ago and had then practised over and over until she could do this easily.

There are many instructions and videos online of how to do this and we would love it if some children have a go and see if they could learn this skill. We also love to hear from any parents who can do this too!



Message from the Office

Class 2 & 3

Please can all permission slips for the trip to Elland Road be returned to the office by Monday. The payment for the trip has been added to school money and is due for payment before the 27th January.

Strike action

As you may be aware from the media, members of the National Education Union have voted for strike action and the dates have been confirmed as:

- Wednesday 1st February
- Tuesday 28th February
- Wednesday 15th March
- Thursday 16th March

Some of our teachers are members of the NEU and may choose to strike on these days.

At Aberford we can confirm that on all these dates, school will remain open to **all children**. The structure and content of the day may differ for classes affected by the strike but normal routines such as start and finish times, breaks, lunch and PE will continue as usual.

Dates:

Monday 6th February
Friday 10th February

Class 2 & 3 Trip to Elland Road PHSE
School closes for half term

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Christian Values Award



Class 2

Nellie for her independent maths work and perseverance

Tabitha for writing an amazing blurb for the Storm Whale in Winter, using exciting vocabulary

Class 3

Elliot W for trying really hard to develop responses using the reading VIPERS in reading lessons

Katy for working incredibly hard this week and being really focused on her learning

Class 4

George D for improved concentration and effort in class across all subjects

Aishani for always putting 100% effort into everything she does.

Staff member of the week

Mrs Sharp for all the help she has given us in getting to grips with our new phonics scheme.

Attendance this week

Whole School	96.5%
Class 1	91.3%
Class 2	97.3%
Class 3	97.1%
Class 4	97.9%

Well done to Class 4

our attendance winners this week!

Well done to Darcie

for winning the attendance prize draw!

Reading Record Prize Draw

KS1	Archie S
KS2	Indi

Housepoints

	This week	Running total
Becca	344	41
Lotherton	322	28
Parlington	407	42
Hazlewood	372	40