



Aberford CE Primary

Weekly Newsletter

16th December 2022

Message from Mrs Crossley

We would like to take the opportunity to wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our Aberford families. It's been a very festive week in school and we have all enjoyed many exciting events.

The start of the week saw our Key Stage 1 nativity performance, which showcased some fantastic acting and reading and some beautiful singing. On Wednesday, the whole school visited the Carriageworks in Leeds to see their performance of the pantomime Cinderella. This was a fantastic success and the children (and staff!) all really enjoyed themselves. A big thankyou to the PTA for funding this trip once again. Our Carols in Church was a very moving service and gave us all space to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas and give thanks for all we have during the winter period. The rest of the week has been filled with our Christmas Dinner and Christmas parties for each class in the afternoons. These have all been great fun and the children have enjoyed party games and entertainment, with lots of sweets to help out! They have all looked super in their Christmas outfits for their parties.

All children will be bringing home a festive selection box, donated to us from The Copier Company, who provide and service our school photocopier.

Message from the Office

In the new year, we are trialing a no booking system for **breakfast club**. This means you will not need to fill in the sign-up form or message ahead to book places for your child. They can just turn up on the day. They will be marked as present on the register by the staff and Mrs Goddard will then update Parentpay with the bill. If they arrive before 8am then you will be charged the full amount of £5 and if they arrive after 8am you will be charged £3.

Reports: Your child will be bringing home their end of term progress report tonight, along with their attendance for the term. We do appreciate that the amount of bugs being passed around this term may have significantly affected some attendance percentages and are confident that once the milder weather of spring begins, this will improve greatly.

Goodbyes

Today has been Mrs Richmond's last day in school. It has been fantastic having her as part of our Aberford family and will miss her in school. You should still see her around as she will continue volunteering in school once a week to listen to children read. This week, we interviewed for this TA position and Miss Coates will start with us new in January.

We also say farewell to Mrs Jones as she starts her maternity leave. We wish her all the best and look forward to her visiting with her new baby in the new year.

PTA

A big thank you to Laura Gibbs for coming into school today to draw the raffle at break time. We had lots and lots of chocolate prizes to give away so a big thank you to everyone who donated. It was a very exciting time and many children are going home with chocolate treats tonight!

Dates:

Tuesday 3rd January

School reopens

Thursday 5th January

Young Voices concert at Sheffield

Friday 10th February

School closes for half term

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Christian Values Award



Class 2

For an incredible Nativity

Class 3

For improving through the half term

Class 4

For doing well in their practice sats and end of term assessments.

Staff members of the week –

**Mrs Jennings, Mrs Shaw, Mrs Jones, Mrs Sadler, Mrs Darley and Mrs Richmond
For all their hard work helping the children rehearse for their Christmas Nativity.**

Attendance this week

Whole School	94.8%
Class 1	97.3%
Class 2	94%
Class 3	93.5%
Class 4	95.7%

Well done to Class 1
our attendance winners this week!

Well done to
Elsie
For winning the attendance prize draw!

Reading Record Prize Draw

Key Stage 1	Hattie
Key Stage 2	Mikey

Housepoints

	This week	Running total
Becca	163	34
Lotherton	155	23
Parlington	241	30
Hazlewood	168	34