

# Aberford CE Primary

## Weekly Newsletter

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

### Message from Mrs Crossley

It's been a very busy week here at school as we prepare for Easter and the end of the spring term.

On Wednesday, our year 5 and 6 children went to Halifax to perform in the Great Big Dance Off. Their performance was flawless and whilst they did not win, the class received the highest marks in some of the areas and their performance was complimented by many of the other dance teachers at the event.

Also on Wednesday, we were visited by Dave from D:Side. D:Side is a comprehensive drug and alcohol education programme that encourages children to make positive and healthy life choices whilst promoting a proactive attitude to life. Children in classes 1 and 2 learned about healthy foods and healthy bodies, class 3 looked at the effects of alcohol and class 4 talked about legal and illegal drugs.

On Thursday, class 3 participated in the Skipping School event at Armley leisure Centre and won their heat, getting through the finals in May. They all worked so hard as a team, supporting each other and getting into the spirit of the event.

### Did you know?

*'The more you know about the past, the better prepared you are for the future.'* - Theodore Roosevelt



We are very proud of our history curriculum which runs on a 2-year rolling programme. We have identified 5 'Golden Threads' which include: Monarchy and Power, Religion and Beliefs, Invasion and Settlement, Society and Legacy and Exploration and Empire. By having topics centred around these concepts, pupils can make links between one topic and others, drawing comparisons and noticing differences. In each history lesson, children work as historians using some of the disciplinary concepts of: cause and consequence, change and continuity, similarity and difference, significance, interpretations and evidence. Understanding of chronology is also an important element in our history teaching. Check out the history page on the website for more information.

### Message from the Office

#### Easter Raffle and Non-Uniform Day

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, we will be holding our annual Easter Hamper raffle. We will also holding a raffle for a signed Leeds Rhinos Shirt. Tickets will be on sale on from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March for £1 per strip and we will draw the raffle at break time on the 28<sup>th</sup> March with all of the children.

Children can also come to school on 28/3 in non-uniform in exchange for £1 to help raise money for our school fund.

#### Attendance this week

<b>Whole School</b>	<b>96.13</b>
<b>Class 1</b>	<b>92.9</b>
<b>Class 2</b>	<b>95.7</b>
<b>Class 3</b>	<b>98.6</b>
<b>Class 4</b>	<b>97.3</b>

#### Christian Values Award



<b>C1</b>	Ivy	Trying hard in maths
<b>C1</b>	Tom	Being enthusiastic
<b>C2</b>	Zac	Carefully listening
<b>C2</b>	Darcy	Great role model
<b>C3</b>	Year 3	Perseverance and resilience
<b>C3</b>	Year 4	Great team work
<b>C4</b>	Year 5& 6	Amazing performance at The Great Big Dance Off

#### Lunchtime Award

Leo	Willow G
Francesca	Scarlett W

### Dates this half term:

Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Church 9:15 start
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter raffle and non-uniform & School closes for Easter
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens for summer term
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April – 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Scholastics Book Fair
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Group Photographs
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	School closes for half term
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Training Day
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens for summer term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	School reopens
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day 1.15pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day 1.15pm

#### Housepoints

	This week	Running total
<b>Becca</b>	105	37
<b>Lotherton</b>	107	68
<b>Parlington</b>	72	57
<b>Hazlewood</b>	104	54