



APLEY NEWS

Headteacher Message

We have had another busy and successful week in school. Our Year 1 and Year 2 children demonstrated their impressive circus skills and their fantastic acting and Makaton skills. KS1 have worked so hard rehearsing over the last few weeks and the KS1 virtual Christmas Show is delightful. The link for the video will be coming out soon. Year 4 enjoyed the performance of A Christmas Carol and Year 5 and Year 6 enjoyed the safeguarding Loudmouth virtual workshops. It remains very important to everyone at Apley that we are able to continue to provide a wide range of different experiences for our children within the current restrictions.

The team at EYFS home have set up some fantastic Christmas carol sing along videos. Click the link below and enjoy a sing along at home! <https://www.eyfshome.com/christmascarols>.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Christmas jumper day for **Save The Children**, we have had an amazing array of different jumpers making school look very cheerful and raised a fabulous **£301.40** for the charity.

I'd like to say congratulations to Miss Smith on the expected arrival of her second baby in February. We have appointed Mrs Halliwell to teach Base 1, who will be starting during January to work alongside Miss Smith initially and ensure a smooth transition. Specific information about dates will be sent to Base 1 parents in the new year.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation with the drop off and end of day routines, social distancing and wearing of face coverings whilst on the school site. We do appreciate your support in working with us to try to reduce the risk of transmission within our school community and this continues to be very important as we approach the last week of term.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Ellen Smith - Headteacher

EYFS Home

The EYFS team would like to say a big thank you to Sarah and Andy from EYFS Home for bringing the Reception children a free Christmas home learning pack.

Visit their website www.eyfshome.com for more games, activities and information for children in the early years.



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Covid-19 Email Address

If you need to inform us that your child has had a **positive Covid-19 test result**, please use the following email address H2190@taw.org.uk

Please do not use this email for any other reason. **Many thanks.**

Value of the Month

December's Value of the Month is...

Tolerance

- the ability to tolerate beliefs or opinions that are different to your own.

Christmas Kindness

Sienna from year 4 has decided to donate a whole range of books, games, jewellery and toys to children less fortunate this year. This is an amazingly kind and thoughtful gesture and we hope she inspires kindness in others for the festive season. Thank you Sienna.



If you have any worries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school



Super Circus Skills

Year 2 have had a wonderful morning this week learning some circus skills. They listened carefully and were extremely impressive! Well done everyone.



DATE	EVENT
Monday 14th December	Year 1 - Base 5 Class Christmas Party AM
Monday 14th December	Year 1 - Base 6 Class Christmas Party PM
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Dinner: Year 2 & 5
Wednesday 16th December	Year 3 - Base 9 Class Christmas Party AM
Wednesday 16th December	Year 3 - Base 10 Class Christmas Party PM
Wednesday 16th December	Year 2 Classes Christmas Party PM
Wednesday 16th December	Year 6 Classes Christmas Party PM
Thursday 17th December	Year 5 Classes Christmas Party PM
Thursday 17th December	Year 4 Classes Christmas Party PM
Thursday 17th December	Christmas Dinner: Year 3 & 6
Friday 18th December	Last Day Of Term
Monday 4th January	Apley Wood PD day
Tuesday 5th January	Pupils Return To School
Wednesday 13th January	Year 4 1st Swimming Lesson
Wednesday 13th January	Year 5 1st Swimming Lesson

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Reception, year 1 and year 4, had a truly enjoyable Christmas lunch this week. There were lots of smiling faces, full tummies, and even some chair dancing to festive tunes.

