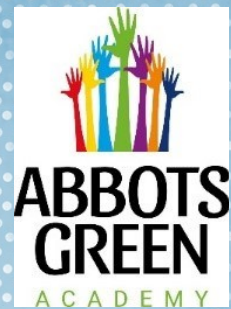


Festive Greetings

FROM ABBOTS GREEN!



As we all breathe a sigh of relief, as we make it safely to the end of term, there is also a huge amount of pride that fills our building. Whilst we prepare ourselves for a far from normal Christmas, there has been a huge sense of festive cheer and excitement in the building.

This month, we have established new festive norms and in some cases traditions that are set to stay. The buzz and the bellowing from the Santa run last week filled us all with merriment, as each class, put on their Santa hat to accompany their run. With the motivation of filling up Santa's boots, classes rose to the challenge with raising over £406.61 - with Reception classes leading the way! What an achievement!

This week, it has been a goosebump week of emotions, with children embracing festivities within their class bubbles. Year 1 and 2 made their way to a virtual pantomime, Reception created a virtual carol service and our whole school came together to enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner and boxing day party lunch. This really does remind us exactly what this time of year is all about!

This week, the smiles on the children faces and excitement have rippled throughout the school, especially our Year 4 ukulele lessons in the street! In our assembly, we have recognised some of our most important Rainbow Values that we currently need each day. In a discussion around being open minded, children have reminded one another about the significant difference between need and want.



This year, we can safely say we would all want different things to last year; a hug from a loved one, reassurance that things will be ok or simply feeling well to name a few. Instead, we must find time to appreciate the little things. As a Year 3 child reflected, we must all find hope for 2021, and a year 2 child suggested, this year, no matter what, we all need Christmas spirit!

What more can I say?

I continue to be overwhelmingly proud of an incredible team of staff, inspired by the positivity and enthusiasm that comes from our children but also motivated by our wider school community and families that have supported us each day.

I would like to wish you all a very safe Christmas, and look forward to coming together again on Tuesday 5th January.

Mrs A Morrison

Updates

As we spend more time at home over the festive season find time for a good book or two.... Do not forget to look on our website to browse our Bingo boards with recommended reads for each year group.

Parent Voice

As we reflect on our year, I am keen to gather feedback from a parent's perspective at Abbots Green. The link to this survey is;
<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>.

All survey results need to be shared with the school by Friday 15th January 2021.

As the feedback is received, parents forum will re-establish itself early next term to share feedback and find solutions as we strive to be the very best we can be each day.

Website Update

On our website we have new updated policies relating to the administration of medication in school. Please do take a few minutes to see the updated info.

Did you know....

We will all be going home today, but our Evergreen Nursery remains open. We are very proud of our Evergreen provision that is open from 7:45am to 6pm all year round.



Good luck and positive vibes to Miss Sparrow who will be leaving us today to have her first baby! We look forward to sharing news of an arrival early next year, but would like to thank Miss Sparrow for her outstanding effort this term.

Farewell and Good luck to Miss Pearson who is leaving us today, we wish her lots of luck with the next chapter in her career.

What happens next... IMPORTANT UPDATES

As we close our school office, we still very much care about the well being and health of our children and families. Please refer to the COVID page on the school website to support with the communication between home and school during the festive break.

