

# The Apple

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## Dear Parents/Carer

As Christmas approaches it has been brilliant to see the displays change to reflect the season. There has been some excellent work produced to give us the "Christmas Feel" in school and it has been a delight to see.

Wednesday was a particularly busy day this week. In the morning the Foundation Stage Pupils went on the Santa Express train. They had an amazing time, represented the school and even got to meet Father Christmas.

In the afternoon we held our violin concert. This was a real treat as we heard singing, recorders and violins whilst also seeing an amazing dance from those children who have attended Mrs Fulcher's club. The standard of music and dance was amazing. Well done to all who were involved and a special thank you to the staff who made it all possible.

Yesterday both of our volleyball teams were in action. All of the children played brilliantly and we were placed third and first in our local tournament!

Paul Hill

Headteacher

## Scarlet Fever

During the week we were informed that there has been a case of Scarlet Fever amongst the children in the school. Although scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, it should be treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of complications and reduce the spread to others. The symptoms of scarlet fever include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. This is followed by a fine red rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On more darkly pigmented skin, the scarlet rash may be harder to spot, but it should feel like 'sandpaper'. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth. If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever:

- See your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible
- Make sure that you/your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor.
- Stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection.

## Timings

Please remember that the school day begins at 8:50am and has the following home times:

FS	3:20 pm
Years 1 and 2	3:25 pm
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	3:30 pm

## Holiday Dates

The last day of term this year will be 20<sup>th</sup> December so the first day of the holiday is 21<sup>st</sup> December.

Children will return to school on 4<sup>th</sup> January. We hope that you all have a great Christmas and New Year!

## Christmas Cup Cake Competition



6 on a plate

Prizes for the best plates



Entries need to be in school for

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

## Christmas Dates:

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December - morning

Foundation Stage Nativity – will begin at 9:30am (or once we have got our costumes on!)

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – afternoon

Years 3-6 Christmas Show 2:00pm

### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Foundation Stage Nativity – will begin at 2:15pm (or once we have got our costumes on!)

### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December –Christmas Fete

This will take place in the hall straight after school.

### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December - morning

Years 3-6 Christmas Show 9:30am

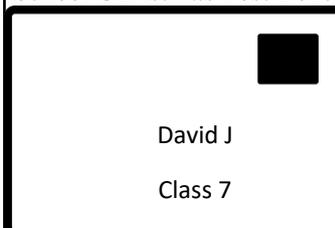
### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – morning and afternoon

Years 1 and 2 Christmas Show 9:30am & 2:00pm

### Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Dress for Christmas day

We have chosen this to be our 'Dress for Christmas' day, children are quite welcome to dress up in their school uniforms, or alternatively to wear a Christmas jumper for the day. To take part there will be a donation required of £1.00 which will go towards buying books for our school library.

## School Christmas Post Boxes



The school Christmas card post boxes are now in use – please ensure that the children label the envelopes as follows:

This will allow our "postchildren" to deliver the cards quickly. The class numbers are as follows:

Miss Mandefield	Class 1	Mrs Addelesee	Class 2
Miss Collishaw	Class 3	Miss Haddock	Class 4
Miss Howes	Class 5	Mrs Pask/Fulcher	Class 6
Mrs Clark	Class 7	Miss Feekins	Class 8
Miss Freeman	Class 9	Mrs Gaze	Class 10
Mrs Moorcroft	Class 11	Mrs Wilkinson	Class 12
Mrs Roberts	Class 13	Miss Jones	Class 14