

# NEWSLETTER - FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY 2025



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### Learning and living as children of God

(Ephesians 5:1) (You are God's children whom he loves. Try to be like God)  
OUR SCHOOL VALUE THIS TERM IS PERSEVERANCE



#### Sun Shine Awards

Reception: Freddie, Kit.

Class 1: Calon, Daisy.

Class 2: Ava-Marie, Finnlay.

Class 3: Valentina, Rose.

Playtime trophy goes to Reception Class.

The school sports award goes to Ava-Marie & Sophie.

Congratulations to Sam for achieving his level three in martial arts and is now an orange belt!



School has been taking part in the Peace Doves project which will be a magnificent installation of 8,000 paper doves installed in the nave of The Abbey 1-27<sup>th</sup> February 2025. The doves will be suspended above the congregation on ribbons and the shop windows will be decorated with the Peace Dove templates. We will be looking forward to seeing them when they are displayed. Tickets will need to be purchased for access to The Abbey and they can be bought from the shop or by ringing 01684 850959.

#### School Day

Just a reminder that the school day starts at 8.45am this is the time children need to be in class, children can arrive at 8.40am.

#### After School Club T3

03/01/25-10/02/25 Camp Kindness Yr 3 3.15- 4pm **FULL**  
07/01/25-28/01/25 Hockey Club Yr3,4,5&6 3.15-4pm  
07/01/25-04/02/25 Dungeons & Dragons Yr4,5,6 3.15-4pm  
08/01/25-12/02/25 Sports Club Yr 1 & 2 3.15-4pm **FULL**  
09/01/25-13/02/25 Sports Club Yr 3&4 3.15-4pm **FULL**

#### Future Dates/Notifications

17/01/25: History Day

14/02/25: End of Term 3

24/02/25: Start of Term 4

06/03/25: RAGS2RICHES Collection 9am

07/03/25: Book Look 3.15-4pm

11/03/25: Parents Evening

12/03/25: Parents Evening

24/03/25: Prayer Space Day.

Congratulations to Daisy who brought her planet work into school to show all of us. She carefully plotted the eight planets in our solar system expertly!



Congratulations to Rufus who has been awarded his Level 2 Learn to Swim Award! Well done!



Thank you to Leila's mummy and daddy who have donated a set of new books to Class 2.

### Head Boy & Head Girl Blog!



We have enjoyed Eco day and history day since being back to school. Everyone has had a wonderful time and we are looking forward to iSingPop at Easter!

Congratulations to all the entries for the Look Who's talking competition. They were: Martha, Theo, Oliver, George, Poppy J, Hope, Alex, Nancy, Ellie- K, Grace, Sonny, Alba, Luke, Ed, Gretel and Zahara. The two class winners were, Theo (Class2) and Ed (Class3). Both boys will go onto the county heats in the next few weeks so watch this space!



Class 3 created 'peace doves'. We thought about the things we do to find 'peace'. The children were able to identify lots of activities they did that made them feel peaceful, such as mindfulness colouring, walking, drawing and listening to music.



Congratulations to Poppy J who has been awarded rosettes for her horse-riding achievements.



### Honours List

Each week, awards for children's achievement will be presented in Celebration Assembly. We will also recognise children who have demonstrated our value for each term in the everyday life of our school - our value for Term 3 is Perseverance.



### Award winners for w/c 6<sup>th</sup> January - 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

#### **Achievement:**

Reception - Delilah-Rose for super unplugged computing about the human body. All of reception for 5/5 in their first spellings.

Class 1 - Holly & Lola for super independent work in story mapping. Edith & Sam for super sentences about the three little pigs.

Class 2 - Ava for some lonely reading throughout the week. Harvey, Leo & Finnlay for their amazing tension paragraph.

Class 3 - Sophie, Ruby & Gretel for fabulous Maths work-multiplying by 10. Flynn & Thomas for super suspense writing from 'The Wrong trousers'.

#### **Values:**

Reception - Freddie & Archie.

Class 1 - Maddie & Albert.

Class 2 - Nancy & Oliver.

Class 3 - Annabelle & Valentina.

Class One enjoyed dressing up and retelling the parable of The Lost Son. Well done Class One!





Kindness is magic is the theme for this terms Camp Kindness. The children had a truly magical time making bubbles using water, oil and alka-Seltzer!



Little Deers have had great fun launching into their new topic 'People Who Help Us'. They have started to think about who helps us in the world we live in and had huge fun turning very big boxes into different emergency vehicles! They have also welcomed some new Little Deers and our older children have been wonderful at helping them settle in.



All the children in school had the chance of a fabulous cricket enrichment day with Time to Shine cricket. They all enjoyed a day of new skills and polishing up old ones!

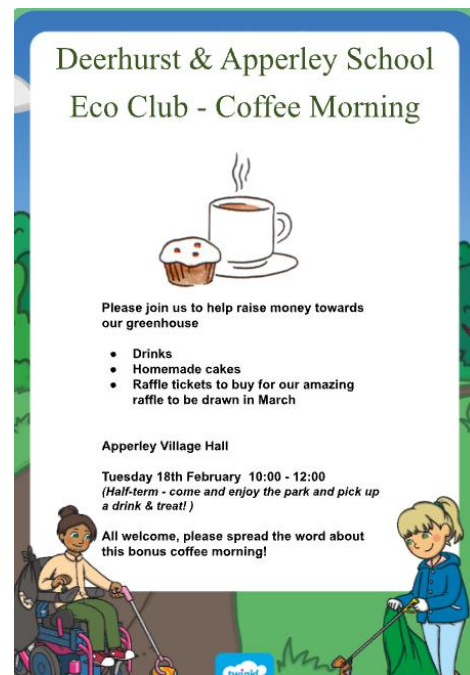


#### Class 3 Cricket Taster Session

Class 3 really enjoyed their Cricket Taster session. They practised catching and hitting the ball and played a game called '5 bats'. They loved the session!

The children had a visit from a member of the Midlands Air Ambulance. Serving the heart of England, Midlands Air Ambulance Charity (MAAC) operates and funds three air ambulances covering **six** Midlands counties including **Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Worcestershire** and the **West Midlands**. Their mission is to provide patients with outstanding pre-hospital care and lifesaving intervention through the operation of helicopter-led emergency medical services (HEMS). It was a very interesting visit and very worthwhile. Anyone interested in making any donation to this wonderful service please see the link.

<https://www.midlandsairambulance.com/about-us/>



Reception children and Year 1 children have started their ukulele lessons today. They all had fun plucking at the instruments! They will have this music tuition for ten weeks.





Today has been History Day in school. Everyone had a fabulous time working through parts of history. The Reception class experienced the Stone Age and children were able to create cave paintings using, charcoal and crushed berries. Class 1 took the children back to the Tudor times where they all learnt Tudor inspired dances. Class 2 became a Viking ship and children created their own shields. Finally, Class 3 children visited the trenches of WW1. They were able to write letters home to their loved ones as they sat in the 'trenches'. It was a fabulous opportunity for the children to have fun and experience a full enrichment day. They all dressed in the period of history they were interested in and it was amazing to see all the effort made. Thank you to Miss Robinson and Miss Rimmer our history subject leaders and thank you for supporting it.





Reception will be busy this spring term being superheroes, watch out for some superpowers at Deerhurst and Apperley.



The children enjoyed sponge painting a peaceful sky for Tewkesbury Abbey.



### SAFE GUARDING CORNER

**Advance notice and date for your diary**

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 4.30pm parents are invited into school to listen to Simon Williams from Glos Cyber Security Unit.

This is a very important session for all parents on how to keep your children safe online. Please attend.

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