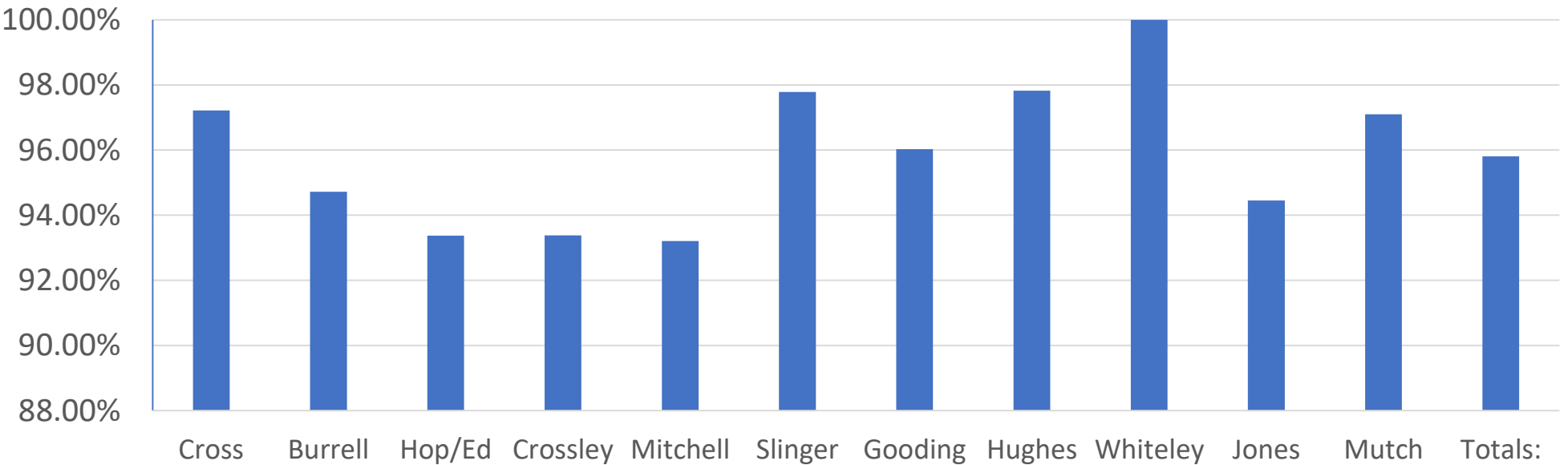


Applegarth Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 23rd September

Attendance Totals



Stars of the Week

Class	Chosen by Teacher	
Mrs M	Arthur C	Amira Z
Mr Whiteley	Eva R-B	Lacey C



Class	Chosen by Teacher	Chosen by Class
Mrs A Mitchell	Ruby M	William K
Miss Gooding	Ronan M	Annie C
Mrs Crossley	Lily-Mae S	Ella-Grace F
Mrs Jones	Ben H	Freya-Belle T
Mrs Cross	Ollie-Roux SE	Nathan B
Mrs Hughes	Jovi-Max B	Ella R
Miss Mutch	Jack S	Rita C
Mrs Slinger	Oliver B	Lily C
Mrs H & Mr E	Effie D	Hudson S



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Please send your cake donations into school on **Thursday 29th September** ready for the coffee morning on **Friday 30th September**. Ensure that all cakes are nut free – we do have some pupils with allergies. And of course, we are pleased to invite you to the coffee morning from **9.15am until 11.15am**. It will be a wonderful event; we have all sorts planned (including a raffle- see below) so please come along and join us.



Aim High...
Be Happy...
Celebrate...
Together

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Dear business owners,

We are kindly asking you if you would supply us with a few prizes for the Macmillan coffee morning raffle. This is for cancer research and with your support we will be able to hopefully contribute into something that could save many peoples lives. On the morning, parents will come in, have food and drink and buy a raffle ticket which might consist of your prizes. We look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

Katie Lily C Ted R Joseph F

Applegarth Primary school pupil ambassadors

Applegarth Apple Giveaway



Several families, along with the Applegarth Community Garden, are planning to harvest the apples they have left and bring them into school ready to give out on **Monday 3rd October from 3:15pm** on the playground. You are welcome to take them for free - we just don't want to see all of this good-quality food going to waste.

If you have more apples than you can eat, we'd welcome donations any time towards the end of next week.

Our Safeguarding Team

At school we have five members of staff and a governor who make up our Safeguarding Leadership Team. Mr Peoples is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL); he is the lead person responsible for child protection and safeguarding issues. Mrs Hopkin, Mr Edwards and Mrs Crossley are our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (Deputy DSLs); a deputy DSL supports the DSL in their role safeguarding and child protection. Mrs Jo Burnside is our Safeguarding Link Governor. The role of the Safeguarding Governor is to support the DSL as well as regularly review, ask questions and make suggestions about our safeguarding policies and procedures and to report back to the governing body.

All staff at Applegarth know that safeguarding is EVERYONE'S responsibility. Find out more on our [Safeguarding Page](#).

For information about **Online Safety**, visit our dedicated [webpage](#).

You can also report any concerns you have to our welfare email: welfare@Applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

AMAZON FIRE TABLETS

The Amazon Fire Tablet is a popular choice: not only are Amazon's own-brand devices more affordable than most other tablets on the market, but some models are designed specifically for youngsters (the Fire 7 Kids, Fire 8 HD and Fire HD 10 are aimed at ages 3-7, for example, while the 'Pro' range is geared toward 6 to 12-year-olds). Fires come with access to a wealth of entertaining content, from child-friendly TV shows and videos to age-appropriate games and ebooks.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

STORAGE ISSUES

Many parents have bemoaned the Amazon Fire's relative lack of storage space. Fires ship with either 16GB or 32GB of memory, so if your child gets busy downloading books, games and videos, they'll quickly run out of room. You could invest in an SD card for extra storage (especially if multiple youngsters are sharing the device), so it's worth factoring in this possible additional expense.

GETTING LOCKED OUT

If your child unsuccessfully attempts to bypass your security PIN code (to access the Fire's parental controls settings, for instance) too many times, this could easily result in them being locked out of their device – and, arguably even worse, you being locked out of your Amazon or Kindle account. If this happens, the Amazon support team will be able to help you regain access.

POTENTIAL ADDICTION

Like most digital technology, Amazon Fires and their child-friendly content tend to be highly engrossing to young users. You might find your child often spending hours staring at their tablet, leading to irritability when asked to put it down. It may be a wise move to adjust the built-in screen time settings so you can control exactly how long they're able to spend on the device each day.

'ASSISTANCE' FROM ALEXA

Though the Amazon Fire's parental controls are comprehensive and allow you to limit access to age-inappropriate content, your child could still potentially bypass those restrictions using Alexa, Amazon's built-in AI assistant. We recommend that you switch off this functionality altogether by toggling Alexa to 'off' in the Settings menu.

FAULTY OLDER MODELS

Back in 2016, Amazon announced a product recall of the Amazon Fire 7 and Kids' Edition power adapters, due to a fault which caused an increased risk of electrical shock. This is no longer an issue on newer models of the Fire tablet, but it's unquestionably worth remembering if you're thinking about picking up a second-hand device for your child.

Advice for Parents & Carers

REGISTER ON YOUR ACCOUNT

Before your child uses their Fire, you'll need to register it to an Amazon account. Rather than having to set up a dedicated Amazon account for them, Amazon's 'Household' feature simply lets you add a separate profile to your own account. In-app purchases and Amazon store access are set to 'off' by default on child accounts, so young ones can't buy anything on their Fire without the password.

CONSIDER A CODENAME

When you add a child profile on a Fire, you can select an image to represent your child and then enter their name, gender and date of birth. To keep things extra secure, you might want to consider using a codename for your child's profile – keeping their real name private from Amazon or anyone else who might ever get access to the account.

FILTER SHARED CONTENT

You'll also be asked during the set-up process whether you want the Amazon Fire to be able to share any digital content that you've already purchased. We advise selecting 'For Kids' at this point, as this will only show the family-friendly books or videos in your content library, as opposed to any movies, shows or audiobooks you might have downloaded that aren't suitable for little ones.

SET A PASSWORD OR PIN

You'll also be prompted to set a lock screen password or PIN. This is recommended to prevent your child from accessing device settings, browsing the internet, trawling social media or making in-app purchases. If more than one child will be sharing the tablet, you can create a lock screen PIN for each of their profiles, so that each child can only access content that's appropriate for their individual age.

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

The Fire's parental controls are very thorough and worth utilising. They let you choose, for example, to restrict access to additional settings such as location-based services, the built-in camera, and specific content types (such as apps). You can also set daily goals and time limits to specify when – or, crucially, for how long – your child can use their Fire tablet.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid *The Inquirer*, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



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School Calendar

Event	Class/Phase	Venue	Date(s)/Time(s)
Family Phonics Drop in	Reception	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 26 th September 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
European Day of Languages	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 26 th September
PTA Meeting	Parents/Carers	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 28th September 6:00pm – 7:30pm
Quicksticks Hockey	Years 5 and 6	TBC	Wednesday 28 th September 12:30pm – 1:30pm
Macmillan Coffee Morning	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School Hall FAMILIES WELCOME	Friday 30th September 9:15am – 11:15am
Apple Giveaway	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School Playground	Monday 3rd October 3:15pm – 3:45pm
Parents/Carers Evening	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School Hybrid: Video call or In-Person meetings	Tuesday 11 th October 3:30pm – 6:00pm Wednesday 19 th October 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Book Fair	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 12 th October 3:15pm – 4:30pm Thursday 13 th October 3:15pm – 4:30pm
Engineering Competition	Meccano Club	Shildon Locomotion	Wednesday 19 th October
Harvest Festival	Whole School	All Saints Church FAMILIES WELCOME	Thursday 20 th October 10:00am – 11:00am
Bikeability	Year 6	Applegarth Primary School	Group 1 Friday 4 th November Group 2 Monday 7 th November Group 3 Wednesday 9 th November Group 4 Friday 11 th November
Individual and sibling photos	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Thursday 10 th November

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Could we live our lives without plastic?



In the news this week

A housing association has built Europe's first virtually plastic-free housing development in the UK. Built by

GreenSquareAccord, the £1.3m project in Redditch, Worcestershire consists of 12 affordable one-bedroom homes built using plastic-free alternatives to reduce environmental impact. Each apartment features many alternatives, such as wooden kitchen units and aluminium window frames. The wiring uses a mineral-based insulation rather than the usual plastic, and solar thermal heating systems are also installed.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your thoughts on this week's story. Do you think it's a good idea to create virtually plastic-free homes? Did you realise there was so much plastic in home building?
- > Think about your usage of plastic in a typical day, how much do you encounter in your everyday life?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss





SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
MESSY MAKERS
HALLOWEEN/BONFIRE SESSION!

Messy Makers is a fun and exciting experience for your children and will give them an opportunity to learn and have fun through messy play!! There will be a variety of messy stations to explore during the session.

For:

Children aged 6 months to 7 years old

Where:

**Thornton-Le-Beans Village Hall, DL6 3SN
(parking available on site)**

Day & Time:

Monday 24th October 2022 10:00-11:00am

Price:

£6 per child

And the best part?

The adults don't have to tidy up!

REMEMBER to come in old clothes, have a change of clothes, a towel and wipes to fully enjoy all the fun at Messy Makers!

Prior enrolment is essential and can be completed on the website www.messymakers.uk,