

Stars of the Week

Class	Chosen by Teacher	Chosen by Class
Mrs Burrell	Bella B	
Mr Whiteley	Thomas C	Indi H-H
Mrs Mitchell	Theo P	Willow T
Miss Lycett	Jackson P	Libbie Y
Mrs Crossley	The Penguins	Zander C
Mrs Jones	Mia D	Lucy B
Mrs Cross	Thomas D	Summer F
Mrs Hughes	Freddie H	Macy-Rae B
Mr Edwards	Myla W	Elsie S
Mrs Slinger	Pearl P	Rowan P
Miss Mutch	Mina B	Tommy T





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Year 1 and 2 have put on three amazing performances this week. It has taken a lot of resilience and hard work but it was all worth it in the end. We had some lovely feedback from families. Thank you ever so much for your support. And thank you to all of the staff for making these shows such a success, and most of all, well done to our superstar pupils!

A video of the performance and lots of pictures are available on [The Blog](#) (password has been sent via email).



Cinderella Rockafella

We were treated to two exceptional performances this week (with many families enjoying it so much they came to both!). The acting, singing and comedic skills were incredible. All of the pupils should be very proud of themselves and the show they delivered. It has put everyone in the Christmas spirit! Thank you to Mrs Jones, Miss Mutch, Mrs O'Toole and Mrs Parsons for all of their hard work (and to the PTA for providing raffles and refreshments). A video will be available on The Blog (still working on it!).





Swimming Stars

Poppy and Finley W were both awarded Club Champion for their age group and were awarded medals and trophies for the different strokes and events.

Overall Finley smashed every event he entered and came home with 13 trophies.

It was Poppy's first time competing and she was awarded with 3 medals. What an outstanding performance from both swimmers!

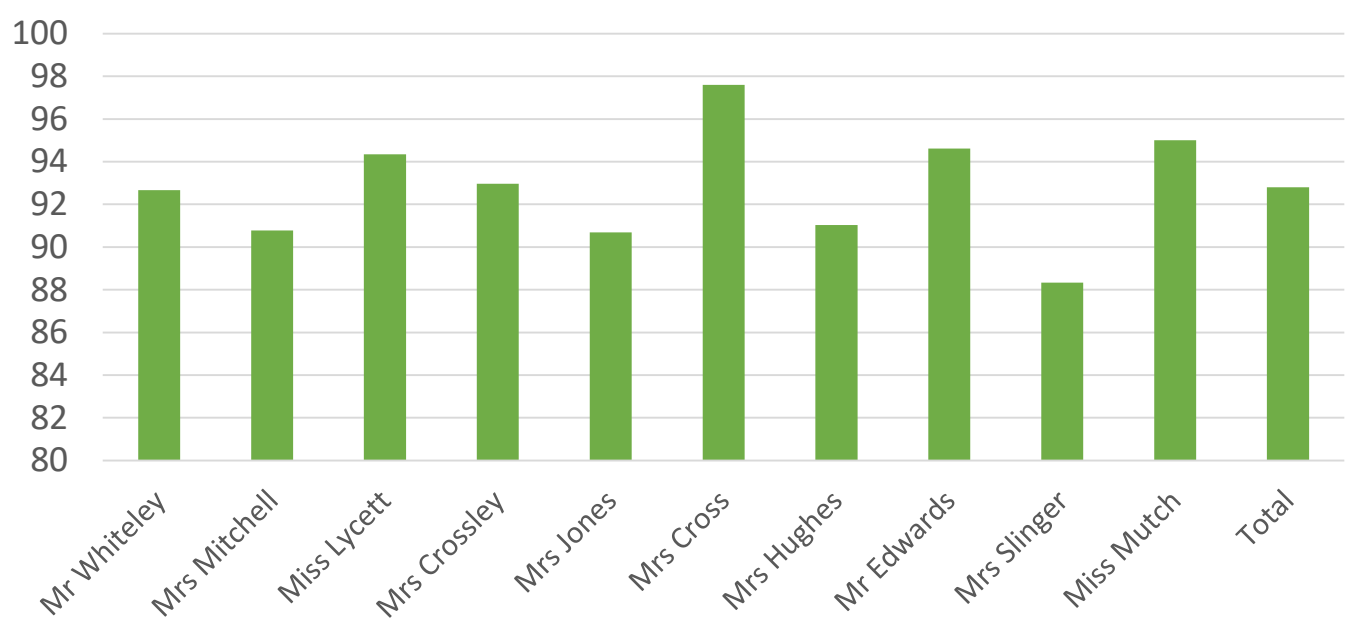


Website Refresh

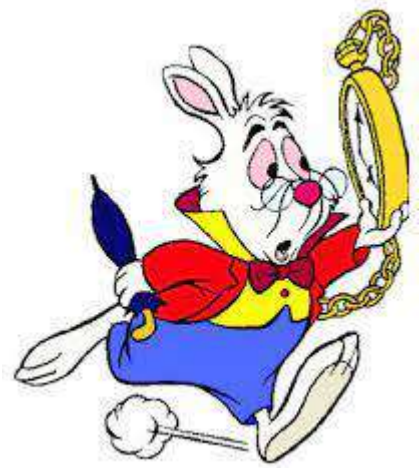
Our digital leaders, Charlie and Phoebe, have been helping refresh and redesign our website. It will be the same address and the menus/content are all still set up in the same way. We have improved some of the features like the user-friendliness of the calendar and set the school lunches out more clearly. We hope the new site is even easier and more useful for our school community.

We are due to go live on Monday 18th December. If you have any feedback, please email admin@Applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk to let us know.

Attendance 4th – 8th December



A reminder that the school gates are opened at **8:40am** each morning. School **STARTS at 8:50am**. It is important that your child/ren are at school on time each day. Children in each class start work from the moment they enter the classroom. If you are late, this becomes lost learning time which can make further lessons more challenging.



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: dsl@applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk**

School Calendar (long term)

Event	Class/Phase	Location	Date and Time
Reception Nativity	Reception	Methodist Church	Tuesday 19 th December 10:00am – 11:00am
Christmas Dinner	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 20 th December
Break up for Christmas	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 22 nd December
Nursery Stay and Play	Nursery Parent/Carers	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 2 nd February 10:30am – 11:30am 2:00pm – 3:00pm
NSPCC Number Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 2 nd February
Safer Internet Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 6 th February
Carlton Lodge Pre Visit Meeting	Year 5 Families	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 28 th February 5:00pm – 5:45pm
World Book Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Thursday 7 th March
Nursery Stay and Play	Nursery Parent/Carers	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 11 th March 10:30am – 11:30am 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Red Nose Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 15 th March
British Science Week	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd March
Robinwood Family Meeting	Year 6 Families	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 1 st May 5:00pm – 5:45pm
Key Stage 2 SATs Week	Year 6	Applegarth Primary School	w/c 13 th May 2024 PLEASE DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS
Nursery Stay and Play	Nursery Parent/Carers	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 15 th May 10:30am – 11:30am 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Carlton Lodge	Year 5	Carlton Miniott	Thursday 16 th May and Friday 17 th May 2024
Pride Month	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	June 2024
Autistic Pride Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 18 th June
Robinwood	Year 6	Robinwood , Alston	Monday 24 th June – Wednesday 26 th June 2024

12 Top Tips for Children and Young People to Enjoy a TECH-FREE CHRISTMAS

The Christmas holidays are tailor made for families to enjoy relaxed quality time in each other's company – but with distractions like pinging phone notifications, the lure of games consoles and online Boxing Day sales, that can be more difficult than it sounds. Staying off our phones, laptops and tablets, however, can really help us to appreciate the things that genuinely matter at this special time of year. Follow our 12 top tips for a tech-free festive season ... Yule be glad you did! Merry Christmas!

CHRISTMAS CRAFTING

Get out the paper, glue and scissors and have a go at hand-making cards or gift tags. You could also create your own decorations to add a uniquely personal touch to the Christmas tree.

NATURE QUEST

Try a scavenger hunt in the garden or your local park. Challenge yourself and your family to find natural treasures that are symbolic of this time of year – like holly or pinecones, say.

CAROL KARAOKE

Sing your hearts out with a Christmas carol karaoke night. Pick out your favourite tunes and enjoy a musical celebration with family and friends.

WANDER DOWN MEMORY LANE

How about making a scrapbook filled with your favourite memories from Christmases gone by? Unleash your creativity while you enjoy reliving those magical holiday moments.

TRY REFLECTIVE JOURNALLING

Jot down your thoughts, feelings and reflections on the holiday in a notebook or diary – you could also list some of your main goals for the new year.

WRAP IT UP

Take time to get inventive with some luxurious gift wrapping. Break out the wrapping paper, ribbons and bows to make parcelling up those presents into a creative adventure.

WALK IN A WINTER WONDERLAND

Delight in the great outdoors with some gentle walks over the holiday. The family can all wrap up warm as you add to your step count and savour the crisp winter air together.

BE A SEASONAL CHEF

Get the whole family working together in the kitchen for some Christmas cooking. Choose a recipe and whip up a festive feast that all of you can enjoy.

ENJOY A CHRISTMAS STORY

Christmas is a perfect time for sparkling stories. Get cosy and lose yourself in a brilliant book, from Dickens to Dr Seuss or a more modern favourite by Chris van Allsburg or Tom Fletcher.

SNOWY SCULPTURES

If we're fortunate enough to get a white Christmas this year, make the most of the opportunity by having a family snowman-building competition!

GAMES NIGHT GALA

Dive into some old-school fun with a tech-free games night. Classic board games and card games have stood the test of time for a reason!

GOODWILL TO ALL

You and your family could spend a day volunteering – perhaps at a food bank or helping a local charity. After all, kindness and thinking of others are part of what Christmas is all about.

Meet Our Expert

Minds Ahead design and deliver the UK's only specialist postgraduate mental health qualifications. They also provide training and support to education organisations and local authorities – empowering school leaders and staff with the knowledge and tools to shape their settings into inclusive communities where the mental health of pupils and personnel is prioritised.



The National College



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All Saints Parish Church
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Sunday 24th December
4pm Crib Service



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CHRISTMAS PARADE

Friday 15th December - 4:30pm, 5:00pm,
5:30pm or 6:00pm (time slot to be booked)
from Thirsk Clock Tower

Join our parade from Thirsk Clock Tower and walk with the elves through town and back to East Thirsk Learning Resource Centre to meet Father Christmas. Once there you can have your photograph taken with him, enjoy some yummy Christmas refreshments and receive your FREE gift!

All ages are welcome and there will be some fantastic prizes up for grabs on the night, including a luxury Christmas hamper from Upstairs Downstairs, along with other fantastic local goodies!



FREE gift for
all children!

Booking is essential and spaces are limited.

Email Laura.Farrington@northyorks.gov.uk to secure your place and receive your designated time slot of either 4:30pm, 5:00pm, 5:30pm or 6:00pm.

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We ask all learners to first complete a free short **Introduction to working with children** course, where they will look at the basics of how schools function and determine which future learning pathway is right for each individual.

Upcoming online **Introduction to Working with Children** courses:

Saturdays 13 January 2024 - 03 February 2024, 09:30 - 11:30

Mondays 15 January 2024 - 21st December 2024, 13:00 - 15:00

Thursdays 22 February 2024 - 14 March 2024, 18:30 - 20:30

Progression is then to one or more of the following NCFE CACHE qualification courses:

Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Schools

Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools and Colleges

Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning

Level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching and Learning

For more information phone **01609 536 066** and ask to speak with a **Learner Engagement Officer**

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