



# ABOYNE LODGE

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 17th March '23



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

This week we were delighted to be visited by a monk from the Letchworth Buddhist Temple. During Monday's assembly, he explained about Buddha and shared some of the symbols and artifacts that are important to people from the Buddhist faith. The children were also able to take part in a short meditation. Many thanks to Mr Gamage for organising the visit. We welcome people from all faiths at Aboyne—if you have a connection with a faith group or religious leader, and they would like to come in and speak to the children please get in touch.

On Monday, the girls football team played their last league match of the season. The girls had won 5 and drawn 1 so far this season, so they knew that winning the final game would clinch the league. They performed brilliantly beating Windermere 5 - 0 taking top spot. Many congratulations to the girls who have had a fantastic season.

Meanwhile, the Y6 football team are also doing really well in their league, having also been unbeaten. They beat St Michaels 4 - 0 yesterday meaning they are on the hunt to win their league too.

The B-team were also in action this week against How Wood. Considering that our team are mostly made up of year 4 and 5 children, and were playing against mainly Year 6s, they did amazingly well. I was told that Aaron scored a fabulous goal and did a celebration to match. Very well done!

On Wednesday evening, our choir took part in Voice in a Million at Wembley Arena. They were part of a huge concert alongside hundreds of other schools. It was great to see all of the children singing and dancing, and enjoying the spectacle, I am really happy to see our children taking part in fantastic events like these. We are working hard to develop more opportunities for children to enjoy music at Aboyne so watch this space for more events that we have in the pipe line. Many thanks to Karen Dore, as well as all the parents who came to support during the day.

Today we enjoyed taking part in comic relief. It was good to see so many of you getting involved, wearing red. Thank you for all the kind donations which are going to this very worthy cause.

Also this week, we have had our

Science week, with a programme put together by Miss Jeavons. I'd like to say a big thank you to all the parents who came into school and spoke to the children about their professions. It is so important for children to see people who work in different sectors. By sharing your experiences it allows them to think that they can do those jobs when they get older, opening them up to new possibilities. Thank you!

And lastly, congratulations to Jonah. Today he received his trophy as the top Cross country runner in the St Albans schools cross country series. We are very proud of his efforts and all of the runners this year. Thank you to Mr Hobbs for his amazing coaching.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards, Mr Smithard

LEARNING POWER CERTIFICATES  
*(awarded for reciprocity, resilience, resourcefulness and reflectiveness)*

**Alisha (Y1) Matilda (Y6) Oliver K  
(Y4) Charlotte (Y2) Reuben (Y3)**

**James & The Giant Peach**  
by Roald Dahl  
Recommended by Jonathan Y5



BOOK OF THE WEEK

“James is an orphan who lives with the awful Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker. One day he finds a magical peach that changes his life forever...”

**Dates for the Diary**

- Mon 20th Mar - Year 3/4 production dress rehearsal 1:45pm
- Mon 20th Mar—Girls football v Samuel Ryder (A)
- Mon 20th Mar - Full Governing Body Meeting
- Tues 21st Mar - Y6 to St Albans Museum
- Tues 21st Mar—Year 3/4 matinee performance 1:45pm
- Tues 21st Mar - A Team Football v Fleetville (H)
- Tues 21st Mar - Y5 Netball Tournament
- Weds 22nd March - Y1 to the Abbey
- Weds 22nd March - B team Football v How Wood (H)
- Weds 22nd March - Y3/4 evening performance 6:30pm
- Thurs 23rd Mar—Parents Consultations

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