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WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents/Carers,

It only seems like yesterday that we were moving back into our newly refurbished building, but the Christmas holidays are finally here.

We were treated this week to a wonderful Nativity from the Reception and Nursery children. It always amazes me how confident the children are and they all spoke and sang beautifully. Congratulations to all of the children on a great show and thank you to all the staff team for putting it all together.

On Thursday, we had our first whole school trip to the pantomime at Harpenden. It was really good to see the children having a fantastic time watching the show. It is these moments that children will remember when they get older as they look back on their time at Aboyne.

The school is following the news about Covid and checking the guidance from Government closely. There is one change that has just come in: all adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take a lateral flow device (LFD)

test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Contact tracing, will be completed by NHS Test and Trace and not by the school.

This week Mr Briscoe came round and took some pictures for the website. Thank you—it is much appreciated.

Just a reminder that, from January, our Reception has moved back to the Lodge room and the before and after school club will be in the old reception room. The door bell will be at the side entrance, by the nursery playground for pick ups and drop offs.

I would like to thank both Miss An Stachg and Mrs Judit Volner for their hard work and support in Reception and Year 4 over the last term. They will both very much missed here and I wish them the very best of luck with their new roles. They have both promised that they will pop in for a cup of tea in the near future. I'd also like to warmly welcome back Miss Kelly Scanes and Mrs Julia Sooban who are returning after their maternity leave.

That leaves me to say, from all of the staff team here, a big thank you for all your lovely messages cards and gifts. We very much appreciate them.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Congratulations to the following children who always go 'over and above'

**Evie (Y6), Seth (Y5), Sienna (Y4), Aaron (Y3), Reuben (Y2) Zenifa (Y1)**

## PHILOSOPHY FOR CHILDREN

These weeks question to discuss at home is from Julia:

***Why was the Star of Bethlehem so big?***

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Weds 5th Jan—Spring Term begins

**Black Beauty**  
**By Anna Sewell**  
**Recommended by Mrs Volner**



BOOK OF THE WEEK

“This is my favourite story as it is a metaphor for life. Beauty goes on the journey of a lifetime through hardship and friendship, kindness and cruelty, but above all else, love.”

**Elmer**  
**By David McKee**  
**Recommended by Miss Stachg**



“Elmer the colourful patchwork elephant has been a nursery favourite since this first book was published in 1989. Through Elmer’s adventures we learn that it’s OK to be different. The children love this story.”

**Christmas Gallery**

