

15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful autumn term we have had! It has been a truly exceptional and fantastic start to an incredibly unusual school year. Although things are still a little bit different the children have adapted incredibly well and we are SO proud of them all. Thank you for sharing your positive feedback about the staggered start times and one-way systems; it certainly has been a logistical challenge to get our children into school safely. We feel that the routines we have in place are working well but regularly review them in light of any suggestions.

The children have thoroughly immersed themselves into exciting learning all term and our teachers and support staff have continued to work tirelessly to organise enrichment opportunities with their usual enthusiasm. They all have the 'WOW Factor!' New teachers have settled in brilliantly, and truly are part of the team. This term there has certainly been LOTS of 'honking', especially as we continue to navigate through a new world of online learning and filming Collective Worship!

We have loved sharing Golden Assemblies again and whilst they can't take their usual format, as we can't invite our parents and carers into school, they are still as special and really do give the children opportunity to showcase their God-given Talents and SMARTS.

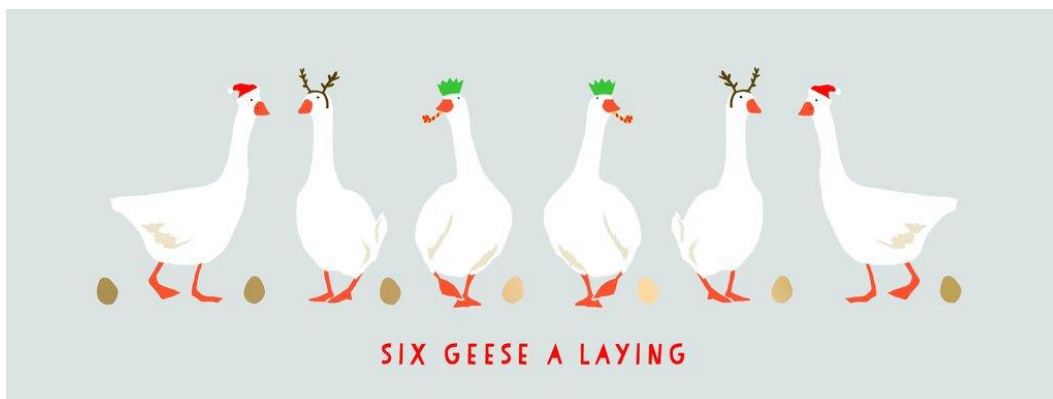
As you can see we are not resting on any 'coronavirus laurels' and we will continue onwards and upwards flying high together going above and beyond expectation.

On behalf of everyone at Abbey Academies Trust, I would like to thank you for your continuing support – especially through these challenging coronavirus times.

Our gorgeous Reception children have reminded us about the true meaning of Christmas virtually this year. It is always the journey that the Wise Men took that reminds me that we are all travellers along a road that is sometimes challenging and great courage and perseverance is needed. But it is also full of hope and excitement too. This year especially, and with whatever Christmas holds for us all, may I wish you a Christmas time filled with love, joy, peace, hope and laughter with your fabulous children.

*'Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.'*

**John Wesley**



Yours sincerely



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