



# Apple News 2019 - 2020

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Apple class had an exciting start to their week. 'The Gingerbread Man' ran from Apple class and the children were set with the task of finding him.

In English, we have been continuing to imitate 'The Gingerbread Man'. We have also introduced children to word of the day. We have taken some challenging words from 'The Gingerbread Man' story, which is then displayed at the front of the class with a definition. We also provide a range of synonyms in order to help the children understand the meaning of the word from our core text.

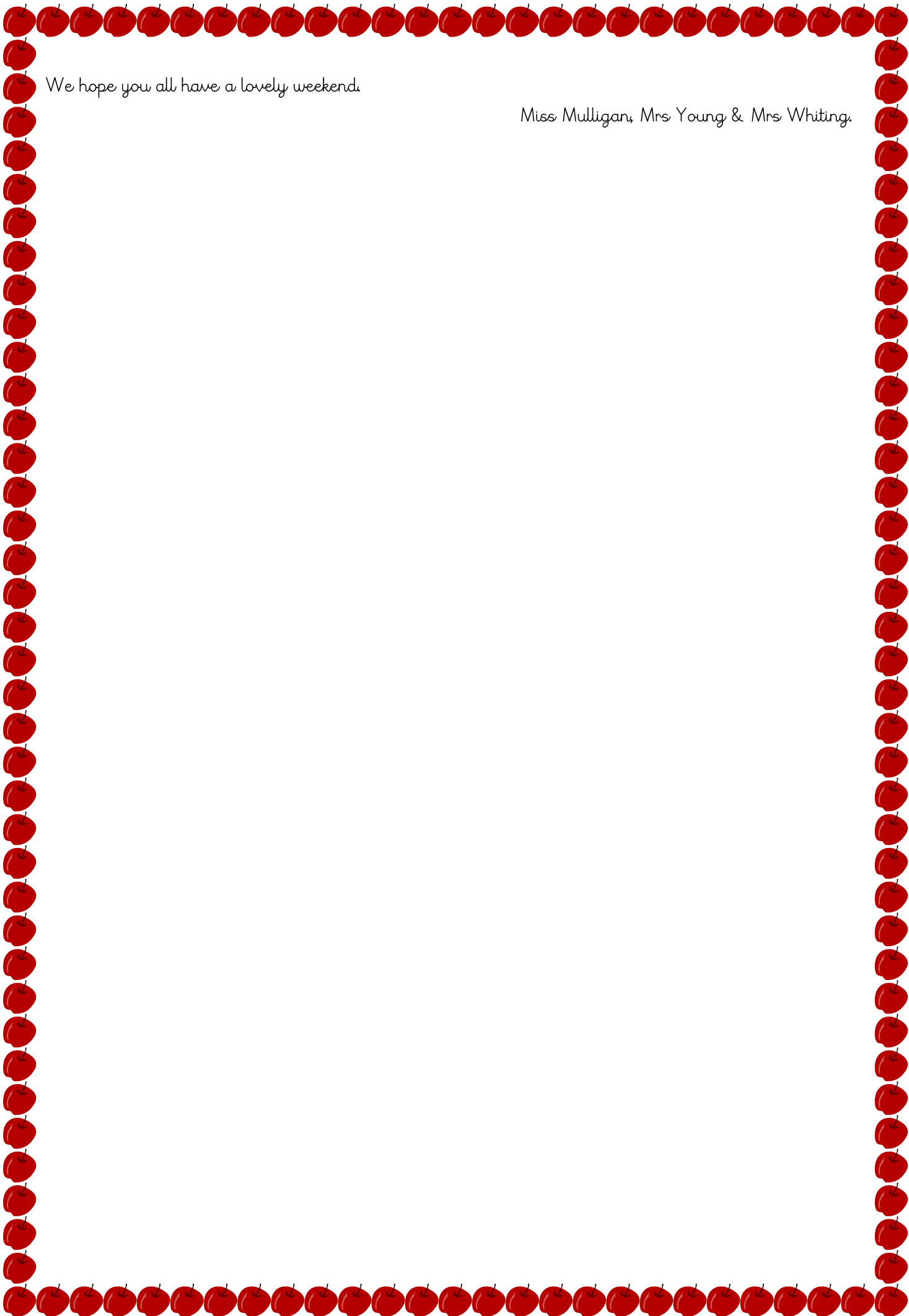
In Maths we are still exploring the importance of place value. This week, the children have been focusing on representing numbers using different objects and pictorial representations. The children had the opportunity to use concrete resources to practice representing numbers and have also completed some activity sheets related to this area. At the beginning of our Maths lessons, we are continuing to practice counting forwards and backwards to 50. Next week we will continue to focus on the importance of place value.

The morning sessions in Apple class continue to be structured in the mornings with the children participating in phonics, maths and English. Children will still continue to undertake their handwriting in the afternoon and will still be accessing some continuous provision as they did in reception. We will now gradually begin to introduce some of our topic work such as Science in the afternoons.

Apple class PE days are on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Occasionally our PE days can change or we may participate in extra sporting activities therefore we kindly ask that PE kits are brought to school on a Monday and not taken home until the Friday.

Show and tell will take place on a Friday until the end of half term in order to support their transition. On the morning of show and tell, the children will be required to place their items in a box at the front of the classroom. Can I kindly ask that children only bring in personal items on the day of show and tell as we cannot take responsibility if these items are lost or broken.

As requested, stationary items that would be very helpful for Apple class would be colouring pencils, paper and glue sticks. Thank you in advance and thank you to any parents that have already donated some stationary items.



We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Miss Mulligan, Mrs Young & Mrs Whiting.