

Marley's Tales

Autumn 2022

Tales from The Apuldram Centre, from the cat with no tail!

Marley's Tales is a seasonal publication produced by the trainees at the Apuldram Centre. We have named the publication after the Apuldram



the Apuldram trainees, Anthony, Phil, Justin, Andrew, Stuart, Ed and Louise, with some support from the staff.



cat, Marley – The cat with no tail! We want to share with you some of the things we get up to and talk about. It is produced by



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Top Cat!



Everybody's favourite cat, Marley, has won an award from Cats Protection in the Cat Colleague category.

Interview with Marley the Top Cat

Q. How do you feel about winning the best cat colleague competition?

A. It feels purrfect. I deserve nothing less.

Q. What are you going to do with all of the money?

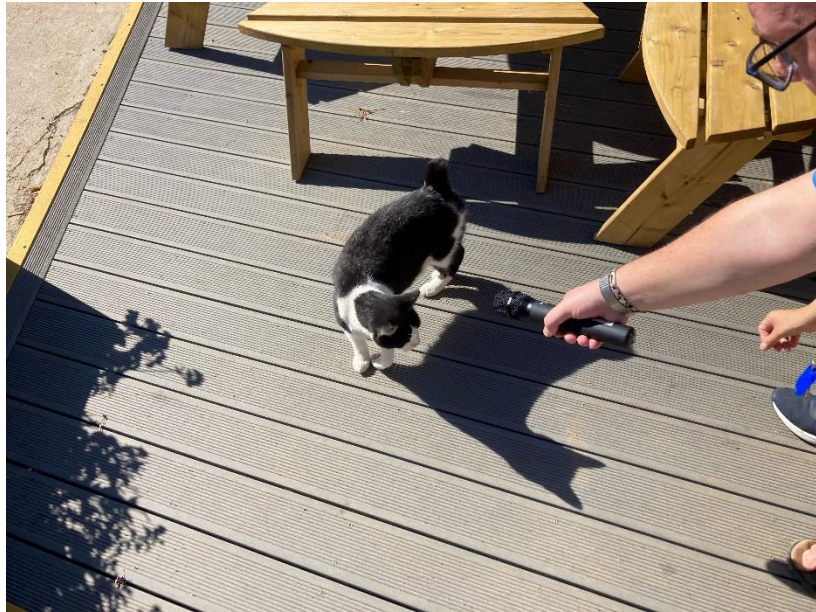
A. Sadly there is no money. The prize was vouchers to buy cat food. Plans for buying a superyacht or cat-amaran (ha,ha) will have to be put on hold!

Q. Do you think that fame will change you?

A. I could emigrate and go and live in Beverly Hills. I could live a jet set life with Tom Cruise, Schwarzenegger, Elton, Madonna and members of the royal family. However, I think I would prefer to live the simple life at Apuldram, killing the odd mouse and laying in the sun.

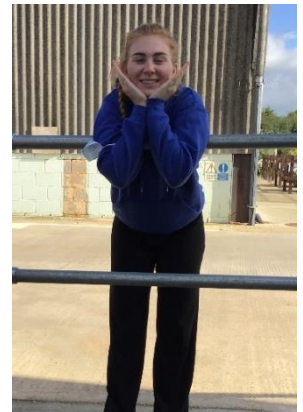
Q. Have the endorsements come flying in?

A. Whiskas have offered me a couple of million pounds but I want to change the name to "Marley's" and they don't seem interested. Anyway, I don't really want the publicity. Maybe some sort of deal with a whipped cream company would work, as long as they pay me in product.



The Passing of Queen Elizabeth II

Our queen died on
Thursday 8th September.
We asked people at
Apuldram, the next day,
what their thoughts were.



Dan, Alec, Jess, Barry and Maria all said how sad they
were, and Rachel travelled to London to join the queue to see the
Queen laying in state and took this picture of the flag for the queue.





Eric said that he was
“gutted”.



Tyrone said he felt “horrible”.



Tracey thought that we
had lost a great person.

Some people thought it was sad, but that the
Queen had a very good life and had lived to a
good age.

*Our next monarch is going to be King Charles III,
he was previously the Prince of Wales.*



Words for Queen Elizabeth II.

Simon Armitage, the Poet Laureate, has written a poem to mark the death of Queen Elizabeth II. He wrote an acrostic poem, which means the first letter in each line spells out a word. He chose the word "Elizabeth". Our journalistic team tried to find words which describe the Queen, using the letters in her name.



E xcellent

L oving

I mpeccable

Z ealous

A ccomplished

B eautiful

E quanimeous

T riumphant

H appy

We enjoyed looking up some of the words to find out what they mean!

Tasting the apples, plums and pears

We tried some plums, apples and pears (not stairs!) from the orchard. The plums were our favourite even though some of them had worms in them. The pears were not so good, because they were a bit hard. They needed to ripen a little more. There are lots of different varieties of apples growing. We tried about 3 or 4 of them. Some of them were a little sour and their skins were a bit tough. Our favourite variety was the Discovery.



“Who’s that good looking fella?”



“Who wants a pear?”

“A pair of what?”



Can you guess the place in the Centre?

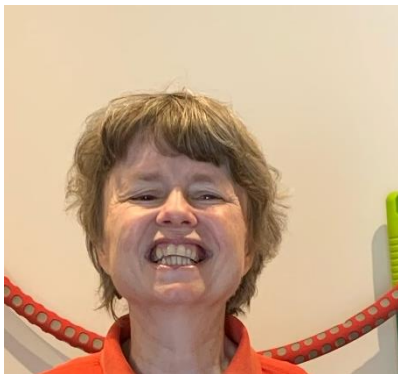
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12.



Answers

1, The Common Room



2. On the exercise machine



3. In the sports hall



4. In the Big Barn.



5. The Potting Shed



6. The Poly Tunnel



7. Common Lodge



8. The Sensory Garden



9. The Orchard.



10. The Veg Patch.



11. Outside the front of the barn.



12. Outside the back of the barn.



Fruit Sampling

We gathered some of the fruit growing around the Apuldram Centre in late July for a sampling session.



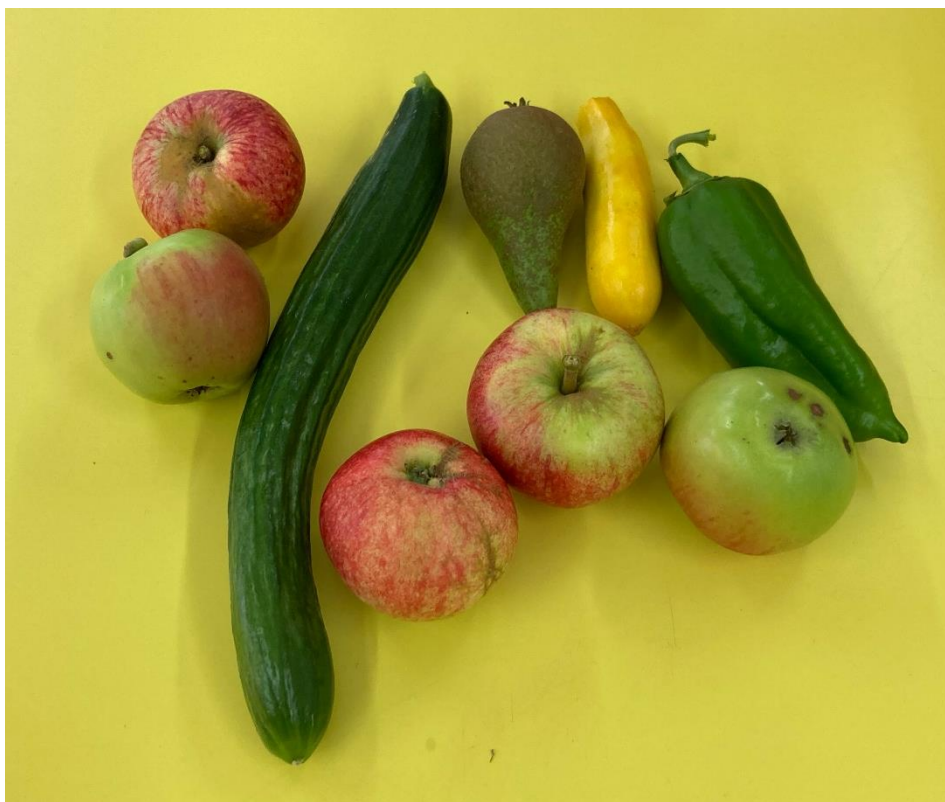
We found some cucumbers.



We found some courgettes.

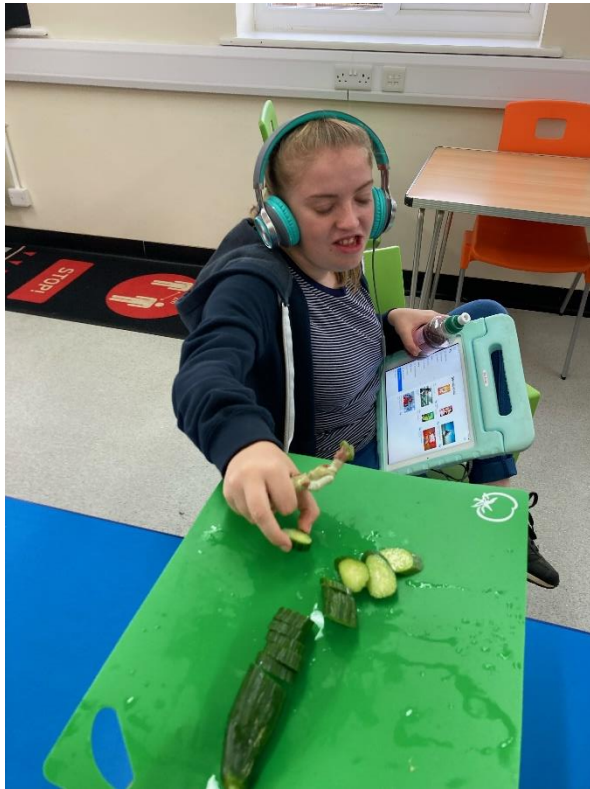


We also picked some apples, a pear and a green pepper.



We had fun eating them all!





We enjoyed eating the cucumber and one of the apples the most. The pear was a bit hard. The courgette had a nice texture, but not much taste. One of the apples was really sour!

Ellie took her characters on a tour of the centre



They enjoyed climbing on the cucumbers.



Joel was as cool as a cucumber!



They wandered among the tomatoes.



They rested on the watermelon.



Spock got caught in a flower – “Beam me up, Scotty!”



“They’re over there!”



They met a frog.



Can you see them
among the
strawberry
plants?



*Lisa took them
to the art room.*



“Who’s that on my glasses?”



“I’ve found a fairy!”

A Day at the Seaside

Some of us had a day at the seaside at West Wittering. We were allowed to use the Boy's Club beach hut.



Some of us sat in the sun and some played cricket.



We had a great day!

New raised beds at the allotment

We have been putting in four small, individual raised beds at the allotment on St. James's road, so that some trainees can have their own small plot.



We had to transport them across Chichester.

What's Justin doing in a box?



We put the raised beds into their positions.



It involved lots of hard work!



When we had finished we planted a beautiful flower in each one!

The Beginning of Autumn

Some of us had a walk around the Centre, looking for the first signs of autumn.



The vine leaves are changing colour. Who is that in sunglasses?



The pumpkins are ready.



Some of Ellie's figures found their way into the picture!



The loofahs are ready to pick!



The compost heap is full.



The sloe berries are ready.



The acorns are ready to fall.



The leaves on the trees are turning.

Tell Us a Joke

We decided to ask some people at the centre for some of their favourite jokes

Nick-I wondered last night why there was no sun. Then it dawned on me!

Anon-Knock knock. Who's there?

Cows say who.

No silly, cows say moo

Pip-Knock knock. Who's there?

Interrupting cow.

Interrupting cow w... mooooooo!!!!

Anon-A skeleton walks into a pub. He says I'll have a pint please and a mop and Bucket

Eric- What's orange and sounds like a parrot?

A carrot

Richard Watson- Why can't you buy tablets in a pet shop?

Because the parrots ate 'em all. (Paracetamol)

John Callaway- What do you call a women with a tile on her head?

Roof. (Ruth!)

Ed- What's white black white black?

A penguin falling down the stairs.

Phil Judd- A horse walks into a bar. The barman says,

“Why the long face?”

Phil Judd- A termite walks in a bar and says,

“Is the bar tender here?”

Phil Judd -What's black and white and red all over?

A sun burnt zebra.

Phil Judd -How do you make an octopus laugh?

Give it ten tickles.

Phil Judd- A man walks into a bar,

Say's ouch.

Jess- What do you call a deer with no eyes?

No I dear.

Jess- What do you call a deer with no legs and no eyes?

Still no idea.

Phil-What do you call a blind dinosaur?

Anything you want, it can't chase you. (Or D'youthinkhesawus)

Phil Judd- Knock, knock. Who's there?

Doctor who?

Yes, that's right.

Richard Watson - How many psychiatrists does it take to change a light bulb?

Only one, but it has to want to change!

Removing the old tomato plants

In the summer edition of Marley's Tales we showed some photos of us planting the tomatoes in the poly tunnel. Now it is autumn, it is time to take them out as the tomatoes are now finished.



Planting the tomatoes in the early summer.

Phill, Anthony and Ed had the job of removing the old plants.



We used secateurs to cut down the plants and we took them to the compost heap in the wheelbarrow.



Marley was not very interested!



We had to remove the string that held them up and the roots that were in the ground.



It was not all hard work!

*At the end we had to
sweep up.*



Ask the Staff Questionnaire

We decided to ask the staff to fill in a questionnaire about themselves. We mixed up sensible questions and silly ones.

We set these questions:

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

Who is your favourite teletubby?

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

What is the best book you have read?

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

What hobbies do you have?

What super power would you like to have?

Here are their answers:

Ask the Staff Questionnaire -Debbie

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-art and design lecturer, business proprietor, photographer and I worked at the Wrenford Centre.

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Dipsy

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-a nice art room space and I liked the rural setting.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Frank Spencer and Pam Ayres (At the same time?)

What is the best book you have read?

A-Charlotte's Web

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Juggler/clown.

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Walking in the countryside.

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-Fall in love

What hobbies do you have?

A-Collect crystals, Geology, I collect rocks. Photography.

What super power would you like to have?

Invisibility.

Ask the Staff Questionnaire – Eric

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-Dentist and paperboy. (At the same time?)

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Tinky Winky

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-I thought it would be nice, until I met the trainees! (THIS IS A JOKE!)

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Amy Winehouse

What is the best book you have read?

A-The strimmer handbook.

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Elephant.

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-I get up in the morning.

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-Fall into a swimming pool of chocolates.

What hobbies do you have?

Brewing beer.

What super power would you like to have?

A-Invisibility

Ask the Staff Questionnaire – John

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-Mostly Social work, supported living, working with people who have alcohol problems.

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-No idea.

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-I liked what I saw of the place when I visited.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Neil Young with a guitar (Also Michael Caine)

What is the best book you have read?

A-Catch 22 – Joseph Heller

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Lion Tamer (Courtesy of Wire – The band)

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Yes I go to the gym to lift weights and a bit of running.

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-No idea.

What hobbies do you have?

A-Photography, I play guitar (badly) and I love music.

What super power would you like to have?

A-Time traveller to travel back in time to influence things and correct my errors.

Ask the Staff Questionnaire – Maria

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-Working in a high school.

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Lala

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-It was a nice friendly place.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-No

What is the best book you have read?

A-Not sure.

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-A trapeze artist.

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Walking

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-A pool of chocolate

What hobbies do you have?

A-Films in the cinema and on TV.

What super power would you like to have?

A-Flying.

Ask the Staff Questionnaire - Molly

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-worked in a café.

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Lala

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-The Trainees.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-NO (sad face emoji)

What is the best book you have read?

A-Too many to name one.

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Fire breather

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Walking

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-A swimming pool in this heat (Has she understood the question? That's melted chocolate she would fall into!)

What hobbies do you have?

A-Reading and baking

What super power would you like to have?

To fly

Ask the Staff Questionnaire- Nick

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-Bank Clerk, Leisure centre manager, Teacher

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-None, I hate them all!

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-A strong desire to make heaps of money and then to finally take over the whole world.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Yes, pretty much all of them.

What is the best book you have read?

A-The Diceman by Luke Rhinehart.

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Ringmaster

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Walk a lot, cycle a bit, I do a few physical jerks like sit ups and press ups.

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-Obviously the swimming pool, it's a no brainer.

What hobbies do you have?

A-I used to collect stamps, but then I realised that philately will get you nowhere.

What super power would you like to have?

A-The ability to change any food into chocolate and water into wine.

Ask the Staff Questionnaire -Paul

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-In a bnk and in the Navy

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Po

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-My friend Nick (Howes)

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Tommy Cooper

What is the best book you have read?

A-Too many to mention.

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Clown

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Bike

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-A pool of chocolate

What hobbies do you have?

A-Football (I am a West Ham supporter)

What super power would you like to have?

A-Be able to use Thor's hammer. (Mjolnir)

Ask the Staff Questionnaire - Pip

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-Waitress, Carer, PA, NHS Occupational therapist

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Lala

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-Working with trainees.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Ness from Gavin and Stacey

What is the best book you have read?

A-The Hungry Caterpillar

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Trapeze artist

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Running

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

Fall in love

What hobbies do you have?

A-Walking the dog.

What super power would you like to have?

Invisibility

Ask the Staff Questionnaire – Richard Manning

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A- In Homebase

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Po (Pau?)

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-The trainees.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Janet Street-Porter

What is the best book you have read?

A-The Taxidermist's Daughter.

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-A clown.

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Walking

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-Chocolates

What hobbies do you have?

A-Bird watching

What super power would you like to have?

A-Flying

Ask the Staff Questionnaire - Zsusanna

One sensible and one silly question!

What jobs have you had before you joined Apuldram?

A-With learning disabled.

Who is your favourite teletubby?

A-Doris (?????)

What made you decide to work at Apuldram?

A-Nice people.

Can you impersonate any celebrities?

A-Elaine Paige

What is the best book you have read?

A-Romeo and Juliet

If you could be a circus performer, what would it be?

A-Clown

Do you take exercise? What do you do?

A-Running

Would you rather fall in love or fall into a swimming pool of your favourite chocolates?

A-Fall in love.

What hobbies do you have?

A-Sport

What super power would you like to have?

A-The ability to become a giant.

