

Appleton Wiske Community Primary School



Newsletter

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26th January, 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you once again for your flexibility last Thursday when we had no choice but to close the school due to a power cut in the village and surrounding areas. I hope your children enjoyed their 'snow day'!

MATHEMATICS INFORMATION EVENING

The mathematics Information Evening has been rescheduled for Thursday 8th March from 5:00pm until 6:00pm. I will send out a flyer nearer the time but please save the date.

ATTENDANCE – Since September 2017 (the school closure does not affect your child's attendance)

<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>	<u>Class 4</u>	
98.5%	97.4%	96.6%	95.9%	Well done to Class 1 with the highest attendance!

As you will appreciate, we take attendance very seriously. I have to remind all parents that I am unable to authorise holidays during term time and that NYCC are imposing fines on unauthorised holidays. Thank you for your support in helping us to maintain excellent rates of attendance.

1ST AID WORKSHOPS – CLASS 3 and CLASS 4

On Monday 15th January, we were fortunate to receive a visit from an A & E nurse, Jennifer Purdie, who worked with our Key Stage 2 children. The children learned lots of interesting information about 1st Aid, such as CPR, the recovery position and how to make an emergency call. I would like to say a big thank you to Jennifer for giving up her time and providing our children with such valuable information. It was definitely a worthwhile experience.

SWIMMING GALA

Well done to our Year 5/6 swimming team – Evan, Nicole, Sophie, Isabella, Charlotte, Sam C, Matt and Sam – for their tremendous efforts at the swimming gala on Friday 12th January at Hambleton Leisure Centre. The team came away with bronze medals and Nicole achieved individual gold – superb! Thank you to Mrs Stainthorpe for attending and Mr Blackwood for providing transport.

KEY STEPS GYM FINAL

On Monday 22nd January our gymnastics teams competed at Hambleton Leisure Centre. Well done to our Year 1/2 team – Ellie, Josh, Sophie, Florence and Hattie; our year 3/4 team – Beth, Isla (individual bronze), Olivia, Sophie and Bethany; and our Year 5/6 team – Charlotte, Lucy, Darcey (individual bronze), Katherine and Jasmine. All our children came home with silver medals and they really enjoyed the event. A special well done to Georgia (gold), Isabella (silver), Sadie (silver) and Joshua H (bronze) who competed in an advanced group. Georgia has qualified for the finals – a fantastic achievement! I was very proud on the night as I received a message from another Head Teacher who singled out our school for their outstanding team spirit and behaviour – this meant just as much to me as winning any medals. Well done Appleton Wiske! Thank you to Mrs Gyll and Mrs Stainthorpe for working with the children on their routines and for attending the event. Thanks also to Mr Blackwood for making multiple trips throughout the day – we really appreciate it.

COMPASS BUZZ – MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Our school is taking part in a new project which focuses on mental health and wellbeing called 'Compass Buzz'. Recently, the teaching staff were trained by a Wellbeing Worker in order for us to make mental health a priority in our school for your children. One of our aims is to raise the profile of mental health and to provide the children with opportunities to discuss any issues and develop key skills such as resilience. I will keep you updated on the project over the coming months.

SRE INFORMATION EVENING

On Tuesday 30th January, there will be an information evening regarding 'Sex and Relationships Education' from 5:30pm until 6:30pm, presented by a wellbeing adviser from the Local Authority. We are sharing the session with parents from Osmotherley Primary School. On this occasion, it is not appropriate for children to attend.

ROBINWOOD – YEAR 5/6 – INFORMATION EVENING

The Year 5/6 residential at Robinwood (21st February – 23rd February) is fast approaching. There will be an information evening for parents/carers at East Cowton Primary School on Wednesday 31st January at 5:30pm. Alternatively, if you are unable to make this date, we will provide handouts and answer any questions you may have.

Happy, Healthy and Productive

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations will take place on Tuesday 27th February and Wednesday 28th February. Please save the dates.

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday 1st March, we will be celebrating World Book Day by dressing up as our favourite book characters. You have **5 weeks** to think of an outfit for your child. If you would like any advice, just let us know and we will be happy to help with some ideas.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "N Clark". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'N' and a clear 'Clark'.

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher

DIARY DATES

30th January – Key Steps Gym Final, Hambleton Leisure Centre
 30th January – E-Safety Workshops – Classes 3 and 4
 30th January – SRE Parent/Carer Information Evening, 5:30pm-6:30pm
 31st January – Robinwood information evening, East Cowton Primary School at 5:30pm
 7th February – Dodgeball, Years 3/4, Ainderby Steeple
 8th February – Road Safety Assemblies for all classes
 20th February – Change4Life Sports Clubs, Years 3/4 Hambleton Leisure Centre
 21st-23rd February – Robinwood Residential, Years 5/6
 27th February – Parent Consultations
 28th February – Parent Consultations
 1st March – World Book Day – Dress as your favourite book character
 2nd March – Yorkshire Air Ambulance – assembly and workshops for all children
 5th & 12th March – Bikeability Cycle Training –Year 6
 6th March – Quicksticks – Northallerton School – Years 3/4
 8th March – Maths Evening for Parents – 5.00pm
 19th March – Sport Relief Week
 23rd March – Barn Dance at the Village Hall – 6:00-8:00pm

ABSENCE NOTES

Please could you ensure that you send in an absence note if your child has been off school. This is a legal requirement for the school to keep with the registers. Thank you.

NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH MENU – from 29th January 2018

Main Choice OR SANDWICHES

Monday – Organic Beef Burger OR Cheese Sandwich
 Tuesday – Bangers and Mash OR Tuna Sandwich
 Wednesday – Roast Chicken OR Ham Sandwich
 Thursday – Mexican Beef Chilli and Rice OR Egg Sandwich
 Friday – Fish Fingers OR Cheese Sandwich

LUNCH MENU – from 5th February 2018

Main Choice OR JACKET POTATO with a choice of filling

Monday – Quorn and Vegetable Fajita
 Tuesday – Chicken Korma and Rice
 Wednesday – Roast Pork, Apple Sauce and Gravy
 Thursday – Pasta Bolognese
 Friday – Breaded Salmon Nuggets

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



Please let us know your club arrangements for this term. Booking forms are available from the office.

FRUIT & VEGETABLE ROTA



A big thank you to our helpers – it is very much appreciated by the children. If you would like to come in and help, please just let us know.

Please ensure that you count out two days of fruit or come in on two consecutive days.

Our helpers are:

Monday 29th January	Miss Jackson
Wednesday 31 st January	Miss Mayhew
Friday 2 nd February	Mrs Tate
Monday 5 th February	Mrs Mulholland
Wednesday 7 th February	Miss Pattison
Friday 9 th February	Mrs Ellison

COMMUNITY LINKS

FRIENDS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – To take place on Thursday 8th March at 6.00pm

BARN DANCE - To be held at Appleton Wiske Village Hall 6.00pm-8.00pm – information to follow

HALF TERM FUN DAYS – Football and Multi-Sport

Fun activities suitable for boys and girls aged 4-12 years to be held at Applegarth Primary School, Northallerton.

DATES: Monday 12th February – Thursday 15th February 2018

TIME: 9.00am - 3.00pm **COST:** £10 per day or £30 for full 4 days.

Booking Forms have been sent home with your children.



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