



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to our busy Autumn term. I have sent out a letter detailing our 'E-Safety Evening for Parents and Governors' to be held on Tuesday 22nd November at 6pm. If you haven't already sent in your reply, please can you do so by Monday. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting as your child's safety and wellbeing are the most important aspect of our work in school.

PARENTS' ASSEMBLY – Just a reminder that there is NO Parents' Assembly this Friday, as the children will be taking part in a Remembrance Service earlier in the day. Celebration Assembly will go ahead as normal on Friday 18th November.

FOREST SCHOOL

I had a fabulous time at Forest School with our wonderful Class 1 children last Tuesday. Unfortunately, I had to leave just as pizza was being served so I intend to return soon! Now is a good opportunity to thank our dedicated helpers who make this unique learning experience possible. We appreciate all your help.

YEAR 5 & 6 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT – THURSDAY 3RD NOVEMBER – Well done to our Football Team! The children were up against tough competition but won one of the matches played and I was proud of their great sportsmanship throughout.

SHOE BOX APPEAL

Thank you for all your contributions. We had an excellent number of shoe boxes delivered to the New Life Baptist Church Appeal.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have a big box of unclaimed uniform with no named labels. We will leave it out in the school hall before and after school next week. Please come and have a look before Friday 18th, then we will send the remaining to the Charity Shop.

Can I remind you that if your child is wearing wellies or boots for playtimes that they should also bring in their school shoes to change into whilst inside school. Please note that low heeled ankle boots are acceptable for the playground but, as stated, shoes must be worn in school. If you would like to discuss this further, I would be happy to chat with you at the school gate.

IT'S SNOWING!

Don't forget to send your child with wellies and a hat and gloves with their coats. If the children bring their wellies (and their shoes for indoors) they can play in the snow on our field!



MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Is your child in Year 2 or above and would they like to learn a musical instrument? If so, the Education Trust has supplied school with numerous instruments which you can borrow without any charge. These include guitars, saxophones, violins trumpets, french horn and more! We can also arrange keyboard and drum lessons too. If you would like more information, please contact the school office.

If you have an older child who has now left school and they continued to borrow their instrument and no longer have lessons, please could you return it to school to make it available for other children. Thank you.



CHILDRENS' ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done, Marshall! Thank you I for telling us that you came 1st in a Karate Competition doing 'Kata'.

ABSENCE NOTES – please put a note in your child's planner if they have been absent. This is a legal requirement for the school to keep with the Registers.

DIARY DATES:-

14th Nov – Yr 2 Anti-Bullying Workshop at Great Smeaton

14th Nov – 'Friends' Meeting at Shorthorn at 6pm

16th Nov – Flu vaccination for Yrs 1, 2, 3 children

17th Nov - SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS from 1pm

18th Nov - **CHILDREN IN NEED** - 'Non-uniform Spotty' day – suggested donation of £1. Donations of cakes for cake sale to be sent in on Friday morning. Please send your child with 20p if you would like them to buy one.

22nd Nov – 'E-Safety' Meeting for Parents & 'Friends' AGM-6pm

23rd Nov – Yr R–School Nurse–Vision testing

24th Nov – Yr1–School Nurse–Hearing testing

28th Nov – Christmas Production costumes in school please

6th Dec – Christmas Production 1.30pm & 6pm

7th Dec – Traditional Christmas Dinner–pls pay on Parentpay

9th Dec – NO Parents' Assembly

14th Dec – Children's Christmas Party –details to follow

16th Dec – 10am Carol Service at St Mary's Church, A Wiske – Parents welcome to attend. Coffee served at the Chapel afterwards.

16th Dec– **END OF TERM AT 3.15PM** – Clubs as normal up to 6pm.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

We are very excited to present our Christmas play this year which is called 'Christmas 1914'. The children have just started practising the songs and will soon start their rehearsing. They are really looking forward to performing for you.

As in previous years, due to restrictions on space in the hall, we are allocating up to 2 seats per family at each performance, so 4 in total. In the past, for example, we have found that grandparents attended in the afternoon and parents the evening session, so that there are family members at each performance. If you require any more seats, please add this to the slip below and we will contact you if there are spare spaces. The songs are sounding lovely already and we think this will be a wonderful Christmas evening.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



MONDAYS – COOKING/GARDENING

TUESDAYS –CRAFT

WEDNESDAYS –COMPUTING

THURSDAYS – SPORT

FRIDAYS – 'FRIDAY FUN'

3.15-4.15pm - £4; 3.15-5pm - £7; 3.15pm-6pm - £10.

BREAKFAST CLUB – from 8am-8.35am - £3 and includes breakfast. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.**

ORGAN

We have in school an organ which is looking for a new home. Please note that this is larger than just a keyboard. If you are interested, please let us know and you can come and have a look at it.

FRUIT & VEGETABLE ROTA

Thank you to our helpers. If you would also like to come in and help, please let us know. All help is greatly appreciated. Please can you ensure that you count out two days of fruit or come in two consecutive days. Our helpers for the following weeks are:-

Mon 14 Nov	Mrs Luck
Wed 16 Nov	Mrs Luck
Fri 18 Nov	Ms Wilson
Mon 21 Nov	Mrs Green
Wed 23 Nov	Ms Wilson
Fri 25 Nov	Dr Lane



USED STAMPS COLLECTION FOR INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND PEOPLE - Please keep sending in your used stamps. They have just reported that they raised £25,000 last year!

'FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL' NEWS

The next meeting will be held on Monday 14th November at 6pm in The Shorthorn, Appleton Wiske. I look forward to seeing more helpers and members attend. Thank you!

GREAT 'APPLETON WISKE' BAKE OFF FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

I was so impressed by the quality and quantity of baked goods on offer. Well done to all the children who entered the competition. The decision was a difficult one so thankfully we had professional judges – Elaine (our school cook) and Nicola from Figs Catering. A big thank you to them and also to our 'Friends' of the School, who continue to work tirelessly to make these events so successful.

The winners were:-

Scones – 1st prize – Oscar – Runner up – David

Cookies – 1st prize – Melony – Runner up – Jasmine

Cakes – 1st prize – Isabella – Runner up - Violet

A fantastic achievement from our 'Star Bakers'

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Letters have been sent home asking you to now complete a paper order form and make a cheque payable to "Friends of Appleton Wiske School". Please note that the last order date is TOMORROW – FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER. Thank you.

Finally, I would like to add that I have recently attended Appleton Wiske Pre-School, the Toddler Music Group and also the Coffee Morning in the Chapel. It was a pleasure meeting our future school children and local residents and I hope to be able to see them again in the future. Maintaining links between our school and the community is very important to me and all of the staff at Appleton Wiske.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Clark - Head Teacher

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE - TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Name of child

Please reserve me seats for the 1.30pm performance

Please reserve me seats for the 6pm performance
(maximum of 2 per performance)

Please add seats to the waiting list

Signed Dated