



29th September, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

In the previous newsletter I mentioned how pleased I am with our Reception children and how they have settled into our school so quickly. I would now like to say a big well done to our Year 1/2 children for coping with the transition from Class 1 to Class 2 as they have a new classroom and new routines. I am particularly impressed with those children who are being dropped off at the gate and walking independently into school.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL – 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017

Well done to our fabulous children for making our Harvest Festival so special. Thank you to St. Mary's Church and to Father Simon for hosting. Thanks also to the 'Friends' of the school who provided refreshments afterwards. Also a big thank you to Appleton Wiske Post Office for donating paper bags to send the cakes home in. It was a great community event and well attended. We raised £100 which will be donated to CLIC Sargent.

### CLASS 1 - FOREST SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Class 1 had a great time at Forest School on 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September – thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped out. The children had toast and s'mores around the fire while singing songs. They also explored the woods following trails with ropes and solving problems working in teams to move logs and big branches.

### CLASS 2 – KS 1 FUN RUN – 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER EAST COWTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

We had a fantastic time on Tuesday at the Key Stage 1 Fun Run. Every child did really well to run the 2 ½ laps – well done! A big well done to our medal winners: Josh Ring (gold), Sophie Green (gold), Hattie Pattison (silver), Dougal Gaudie (silver) and Sophia Bateson (bronze). We won a medal in every race! Thank you to Mr Blackwood for providing the transport.



### CLASS 1 – PIZZA EXPRESS

We had an amazing morning learning how to make our own pizzas, starting with kneading and preparing our own dough, followed by adding passata sauce and a spoonful (ask your children) of mozzarella cheese. We also enjoyed a quiz about healthy toppings. McCauley and Kirsty from Pizza Express were very impressed with the children's behaviour and enthusiasm. We hope the children enjoyed eating their pizzas! Thank you to Mr Blackwood, Mrs Blackwood and Mr Nightingale for helping. It was an entertaining and inspirational trip. There are some budding pizzaiolos in Class 1!

### REPORTING TO PARENTS/CARERS

Over the course of the school year, we provide three written reports and hold two parent consultation evenings with an optional third meeting. Please see the table below which explains when you can expect either a written report or a parent consultation. Please note that, unlike previous years, the short written report in the Autumn Term will be provided towards the end of the term instead of the beginning.

Term	Method of Reporting
Autumn 1 <sup>st</sup> Half	Parent Consultation
Autumn 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half	Short Written Report
Spring 1 <sup>st</sup> Half	Parent Consultation
Spring 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half	Short Written Report
Summer 1 <sup>st</sup> Half	
Summer 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half	Long Written Report Optional Parent Consultation

If you ever have a query or concern regarding your child's education, we are an open and friendly school so please feel free to make an appointment at any time.

### BIRTHDAY CAKES

It is lovely to celebrate so many birthdays in school with the children and even better to share their cakes! However, it would really help us out if cakes could be cut prior to bringing them into school or even better if they were individual cakes such as cupcakes. May I please remind you that cakes must not contain nuts due to food allergies. Thank you.

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



All children are welcome to attend our Before and After School Clubs. Please ask for a booking form from the office.

### DIARY DATES:-

- 3rd October – Parent Consultations 3.30pm - 7.30pm  
Book Fair in the school hall from 3:30pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Consultations 3.30pm - 4.30pm  
Book Fair in the school hall from 3:30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> October – Individual Photographs
- 9<sup>th</sup> October – Class 4 visit – Railway Museum, York
- 11<sup>th</sup> October – Class 3 visit – Dorman Museum, Middlesbrough
- 12<sup>th</sup> October – Class 4 Tag Rugby – Northallerton School
- 19<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Crucial Crew – RAF Leeming
- 20<sup>th</sup> October - End of Term
- 30<sup>th</sup> October – School opens
- 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Years 3-6 – Cross Country - Northallerton School
- 8<sup>th</sup> November – Years 5/6 Football – Northallerton School
- 7<sup>th</sup> December – Years 5/6 Sportshall Athletics

### NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH MENU – from 2<sup>nd</sup> October

- Main Choice OR SANDWICHES
- Monday – Organic Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Noodles OR Tuna Sandwiches
- Tuesday – Cottage Pie OR Cheese Sandwiches
- Wednesday – Roast Chicken, Stuffing and Gravy OR Ham Sandwiches
- Thursday – Pizza OR Egg Sandwiches
- Friday – Breaded Salmon Fillet OR Cheese Sandwiches
- LUNCH MENU – from 9<sup>th</sup> October**
- Main Choice OR JACKET POTATO with a choice of filling
- Monday – Roasted Vegetable Tomato Pasta
- Tuesday – Minced Beef and Dumplings
- Wednesday – Chicken Korma and Savoury Rice
- Thursday – Beef Tex Mex Bake
- Friday – Fish Fingers

### DINNER & CLUB MONEY- PARENTPAY

Please can I remind you all to top up your funds on ParentPay. There are 3 weeks remaining until half term. If you have any questions regarding this please contact Mrs Metcalfe at the school.

**ABSENCE NOTES** –please can 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.

### **FRUIT & VEGETABLE ROTA**



A big thank you to all of our helpers – it does not go unnoticed and is very much appreciated by the children.

If you would also like to come in and help, please just let us know - all help is appreciated. Please could you ensure that you count out two days of fruit or come in two consecutive days. Our helpers for the start of the New Term are:

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Mr Nightingale
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Miss Pattison
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Miss Jackson
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Mrs Mulholland
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Mrs Blackwood
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Mrs Green

**MISSING CARDIGAN** – Please can you check at home to see if your child has accidentally picked up a school cardigan belonging to Mille-Rose Wainwright Age 4/5 years.

**THANK YOU**



**USED STAMPS COLLECTION FOR INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND PEOPLE** - Please keep sending in your used stamps.  
**FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL**

### **COMMUNITY HARVEST CELEBRATION**

To be held on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 11.30 am in Appleton Wiske Village Hall.

The celebration is offered as an expression of gratitude and community within the cycle of the year. It is offered for those of any faith, or none and for the young and the young at heart! This will be a short gathering of around 35 minutes for singing and thanksgiving, followed by lunch.

### **EAST HARLSEY PLAYERS PRESENT 'POOR YORICK'**

By Phil Mansell and Songs from the Shows on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm at East Harlsey Village Hall.

Tickets £7.50 to include cheese and biscuits available from Mon Hunter 01609 882641

Finally, please remember that we have our parent consultations next Tuesday and Wednesday. I look forward to seeing you all in the hall where we will be holding our Book Fair.

Yours faithfully

Mr N Clark  
Head Teacher