



2 December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

It's all starting to feel a bit festive now! Our Whitegates Christmas Tree arrived this week and our children have done a fabulous job decorating it. We are heading into a busy couple of weeks at school with lots to look forward to.

ATTENDANCE



Our whole school attendance has dipped in recent weeks and is currently 96.53%. I am becoming increasingly concerned about the number of holiday requests. Please remember that holiday requests will not be authorised. **Well done to Class 1 for winning the fortnightly attendance award – that's twice in a row!**



100-SQUARE COMPETITION

The Friends are organising a 100-square competition to raise funds for our pupils. All you need to do is pay £2 for a square with the chance of winning a Christmas hamper. **If you would like to donate any items for the hampers, we would be very grateful. Please send donations to school from Monday 28th November so that we can get the hampers ready.** Many thanks for your support.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER

We will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day and supporting Save the Children. Pupils can come to school in non-uniform and wear a Christmas jumper. Any donations would be appreciated (£2 recommended).

CLASS 1 NATIVITY – TUESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

The Class 1 Nativity will take place on Tuesday 13th December at 9.30am and 2.00pm. We would love to see family members of Class 1 children attending these performances so please return your booking slip to the school office.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Our wonderful cook, Elaine, will be serving a delicious Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings on Wednesday 14th December.

CAROL SERVICE – WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Join us on Wednesday 14th December at 2.30pm for our Christmas Carol Service.

AMAZON SMILE

If you shop with Amazon, please login through Amazon Smile and select Friends of Appleton Wiske School. As a registered charity, we earn commission on items purchased. It is very easy to do and doesn't cost you a thing. Thank you.





POPPY APPEAL

We raised a total of £211.99 for this important charity – thank you very much for your support.



CHILDREN IN NEED

We would like to thank you for supporting our Children in Need appeal – in total we raised £126.00.



CLASS 3 VILLAGE WALK

Our Year 5/6 pupils enjoyed their walk through the village last week. As part of their geography work, they are comparing two localities – Appleton Wiske and Death Valley! The children's attitudes were superb and they carried out some excellent research. Many thanks to Jackie at the Post Office for the box of chocolates which was a lovely surprise en route!

Have a great weekend.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'N Clark'.

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher

DIARY DATES



6th December – Y1/2 Multi Skills – Northallerton School & Sixth Form
 7th December – Class 1 Trip to Danby Lodge, One Snowy Night
 8th December – Christmas Jumper Day
 13th December – Class 1 Nativity Performances, 9.30am and 2.00pm
 14th December – Christmas Lunch
 14 December – Carol Service with Father Simon, 2.30pm – 3.00pm
 16th December – School Closes for the Christmas Break
 2nd January – Bank Holiday
 3rd January – Staff Training Day

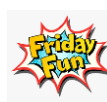
ABSENCE NOTES

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.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please let us know your club arrangements for this term. Booking forms and Parental Contracts are available from the office.
[CLUB ACTIVITIES – W/C 5th DECEMBER & W/C 12th DECEMBER 2022](#)



MONDAY 5th DECEMBER 2022	COOKERY – CHRISTMAS TREATS
TUESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2022	STRAW ANIMALS
WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER 2022	COMPUTER GAMES
THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER 2022	SPORT – FOOTBALL / INDOOR GAMES
FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER 2022	FILM FRIDAY
MONDAY 12th DECEMBER 2022	CHRISTMAS TREATS
TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER 2022	CHRISTMAS CRAFTS
WEDNESDAY 14th DECEMBER 2022	COMPUTER GAMES
THURSDAY 15th DECEMBER 2022	GAME NIGHT
FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER 2022	FILM FRIDAY

LUNCH MENU

w/c 5th DECEMBER 2022



Main Choice **OR JACKET POTATO = JP**

Monday – Creamy Macaroni Cheese **OR JP** with Tuna
Tuesday – Chicken Burger in a Bun **OR JP** with Cheese
Wednesday – Roast Gammon **OR JP** with Chicken Mayo
Thursday – Chicken Korma & Rice **OR JP** with Cheese
Friday – Fish Fingers **OR JP** with Baked Beans

LUNCH MENU

w/c 12th DECEMBER 2022

Main Choice **OR SANDWICH**

Monday – Cheese & Tomato Pasta **OR Tuna Sandwich**
Tuesday – Tortilla Boats **OR Egg Mayo Sandwich**
Wednesday – Roast Pork **OR Chicken Sandwich**
Thursday – Meatballs & Pasta **OR Ham Sandwich**
Friday – Battered Fish **OR Cheese Sandwich**

COMMUNITY LINKS



Advent Appleton Wiske Advent Trail will be appearing again from 1st December. The pictures and dates will be shown in windows all over the village (upstairs or downstairs) – you need to look very carefully! Good luck.

USED STAMP COLLECTION FOR BONE CANCER RESEARCH TRUST AND CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Please keep sending in your used stamps.



Happy, Healthy and Productive