



19 July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

We have enjoyed another successful year at Appleton Wiske with lots to celebrate. The children are a credit to you and make us proud every day with their amazing attitudes and enthusiasm for school life. Today we say farewell to our Year 6 pupils who have been outstanding throughout their time here. They are ready for new challenges and we wish them the best of luck for the future. I hope you can join us for our final assembly of the year where we will be presenting awards to children across the school and sharing memories with the Year 6 children.

CLASS STRUCTURE AND STAFFING 2024-25

Class Name	Year Groups	Teacher	Support Staff
Class 1	Reception	Mrs Hainsworth	Mrs Jackson
Class 2	Year 1/2	Miss O'Neill	Mrs Guyll
Class 3	Year 3/4	Mrs Atkinson	Mrs Gudger
Class 4	Year 5/6	Miss Rowling	Mrs Taylor



PIANO PERFORMANCES

On Monday 8th July, we were treated to a wonderful musical performance by some very talented children. They all performed two pieces on the piano including their own compositions. The performances were outstanding and everybody was very impressed. Well done to Amelia, Beatrix, Beth, Ellie, Jay, Jemima and Rory. Thank you to Mrs Dyke for teaching the children and organising the event.



YEAR 6 VISIT TO THE GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW



On Tuesday 9th July, our Year 6 pupils were treated to a day out at the Great Yorkshire Show. Miss Rowling and I had the pleasure of accompanying the children and we all had a fantastic day, despite the shocking weather! We had a great time looking at the different animals, machinery, shops and food stalls! Thank you to the Friends of the School for contributing towards the cost of the trip.

CLASS 3 PRODUCTION



Well done to all the Year 5/6 children for their magnificent production of *I'm an 11-Year-Old...Get Me Out Of Here!* The acting, singing and dancing were first class. It was a really entertaining show and I could see that the audiences at both performances absolutely loved it. A big thank you to Miss Rowling for all her hard work in producing such a successful school play. Thanks to Mrs Taylor for her support too.

GOVERNING BODY NEWS

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to thank Heather Patel for her many years of service as a school governor. We now have a parent governor vacancy so we will send out more information in September.

Happy, Healthy and Productive



FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

Thank you to our lovely Friends of the School for all their hard work this year. We have enjoyed a wide range of school events and the Friends have contributed towards lots of things such as school trips, daily fruit and additional resources for the children. Thank you to all the parents and family members who have supported our events through their generous donations. Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to Katy Wilson and Heather Price for all that they have done for the Friends of the School over the years which includes serving on the committee, organising events and providing prizes for competitions – you have both been fabulous!

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance for the academic year is 94.97% which is below our target of 97%.

CHANGES TO PENALTY NOTICE FINES

The Department for Education has updated its statutory guidance on school attendance which includes changes to penalty notices. From the 19th of August 2024, only 2 penalty notices can be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within a 3 year rolling period and any second penalty notice issued within that period is charged at a higher rate:

- The first penalty notice issued to a parent in respect of a particular child will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.
- A second penalty notice issued to the same parent in respect of the same child will be charged at a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.
- A third penalty notice cannot be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of issue of the first penalty notice.
- In a case where the national threshold is met for the third time (or subsequent times) within those 3 years, alternative action will be taken instead. This will often include considering prosecution but may include other tools such as one of the other attendance legal interventions.

This new guidance is statutory and will be followed by our school. I will provide more information about attendance at the start of the new school year.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB PRICES

Please remember that, following a review of our wraparound care prices, from September 2024 the cost of each session will be as follows:

- 8.00am – 8.35am (including breakfast) £5.00
- 3.15pm – 4.15pm (including drink and biscuit) £5.00
- 3.15pm – 5.00pm (including snack) £10.00
- 3.15pm – 6.00pm* (including snack) £15.00 *Available Monday to Thursday



JEWELLERY – IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Please remember that, for health and safety reasons, we do not allow pupils to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are watches and plain studded earrings, which must be removed during PE lessons to prevent injury. North Yorkshire Council has issued the following statement: *The National guidance has always been that no jewellery should be worn in PE. It is not safe to cover earrings/studs/sleepers with tape. The reason is both because of the potential tearing of the ear lobe, but also the chance that the post of the earring could damage the neck which is where the brachial nerve is running directly to the brain. There are anecdotal cases of children wearing earrings/studs with plasters over being hit by a ball or coming off worse in a collision and having nasty injuries as a consequence.* **From September, earrings must be removed for PE lessons and will not be covered up with tape.** I understand that earrings need to be left in for six weeks after piercing, so I would advise that any new piercings take place at the start of the summer holiday. Thank you for your support.

APPLETON WISKE PRESCHOOL - TESCO TOKEN SCHEME



Appleton Wiske Preschool is in the blue token scheme at Tesco in Northallerton. Please pop your blue tokens in the slot at your weekly shop. Thank you.

School
Closed
For
Teacher
Training

SEPTEMBER TRAINING DAYS

We have two staff training days on the 2nd and 3rd September. The children return to school on Wednesday 4th September.

Finally, I would like to thank you for all of your support throughout the year – my staff and I really appreciate it. Have a fantastic summer with your children and families.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "N Clark".

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher

Upcoming Diary Dates



- 2nd September - Staff Training Day
- 3rd September - Staff Training Day
- 4th September - School opens for children
- 10th September - Y1/2 Fun Run – Northallerton Leisure Centre
- 16th September - Friends of the School AGM – 5.00pm
- 17th September - Y1/2 Multi Skills – Northallerton Leisure Centre
- 19th September - NSPCC Workshops Y2, Y5 & Y6
- 24th September - Y5/6 Quicksticks Hockey, Northallerton Leisure Centre
- 1st October - Y3/4 Quicksticks Hockey, Northallerton Leisure Centre
- 3rd October - Tempest Photography - Individual Photos
- 15th October - Y5/6 Football, Northallerton Leisure Centre
- 16th October - Dave Gibson - Skip/Box 2B Fit and Young Leader Training
- 25th October - School closes for Half Term

ABSENCE

Please ensure the school office is notified by 9.00am either by telephone or email if your child is absent from school due to illness.

Thank you.



COMMUNITY LINKS



Used stamp collection for bone cancer research trust and RNIB.

Please keep sending in your used stamps, Thank you.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please let us know your club arrangements. Booking forms and Parental Contracts are available from the office.

CLUB ACTIVITIES - w/c 2nd September 2024 and 9th September 2024



MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2024	TRAINING DAY
TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2024	TRAINING DAY
WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2024	COMPUTER GAMES
THURSDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2024	INDOOR / OUTDOOR GAMES
FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2024	FILMS AND GAMES
MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2024	COOKING
TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2024	CRAFTS
WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2024	COMPUTER GAMES
THURSDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2024	INDOOR / OUTDOOR GAMES
FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2024	FILMS AND GAMES

LUNCH MENU

W/C 2ND SEPTEMBER 2024

Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

- Monday – Training Day
- Tuesday – Training Day
- Wednesday - Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding **OR** Baked Bean JP
- Thursday - Spaghetti Bolognese **OR** Cheese JP
- Friday - Battered Fish & Chips **OR** Baked Bean JP



LUNCH MENU

W/C 9TH SEPTEMBER 2024

Main Choice **OR** SANDWICH

- Monday - Pizza & Potato Wedges **OR** Egg Mayo sandwich
- Tuesday - Curried Chicken Rice **OR** Cheese Sandwich
- Wednesday - Minced Beef Pie **OR** Tuna Sandwich
- Thursday – Meatballs with Pasta **OR** Ham Sandwich
- Friday - Salmon Star & Chips **OR** Cheese Sandwich