

27 September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

The autumn term is well under way now and the children are working hard inside and outside the classroom (weather permitting). It has been lovely to see them supporting one another and getting along with such positive attitudes.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 95.6% which is below our target of 97%. Please remember that I am unable to authorise holidays. **Penalty notices are being issued for unauthorised absences which reach the local authority limit.** Thank you for helping us to maintain high rates of attendance. **Well done to Class 3 for winning the fortnightly attendance award.**

YEAR 2 MULTISKILLS EVENT



On Tuesday 17th September, our Year 2 pupils attended a multiskills event at Northallerton Leisure Centre. They worked on a range of skills such as running, jumping, throwing and catching. The children had a brilliant time and represented our school with pride. Well done to all the Year 2 children.



YEAR 5/6 QUICKSTICKS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

On Tuesday 24th September, our Year 5/6 hockey team took part in a tournament at Northallerton Leisure Centre. They worked really well as a team and demonstrated fantastic attitudes, finishing in 2nd place. Well done to Annabelle, Chloe, Dylan B, Dylan Q, Izzy, Maddy, Noah, Oliver, Rupert and Will.



FOREST SCHOOL

On Tuesday 24^{th} September, I had the pleasure of attending the first forest school session of the year with our Reception and Year 1 pupils. It was lovely to see the children embrace this opportunity and they enjoyed exploring, playing on the tyre swing and learning about the importance of staying safe. There was even time for a snack and drink. A big thank you to Mrs Hainsworth for organising forest sessions for the children. Thanks also to Clare Moore for volunteering to help and to Ken Blackwood for preparing the area for us.

GOVERNING BODY VACANCY



We have a vacancy for a parent governor. You do not need any specific qualifications for this role. The most important thing is that you are interested in the success of the school and are prepared to play an active part in helping the school develop. Parent governors are valued members of the team and we would welcome nominations from parents with a broad range of knowledge and experience. Please contact the school office for more information and to request an application pack. Click on the link to find out more about our Governing Body: http://appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk/staff/governors

HARVEST FESTIVAL – FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER AT 2.00PM



We hope you can join us for our Harvest Festival. The children are looking forward to singing songs, performing and sharing their work with you.

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent AGM. Our next meeting is on Monday 4th November at 5.00pm. Please come along and join us. See the attached poster to find out more about the Friends of the School.

BOOKS WANTED!



The Friends of the School are planning a 'Bag a Book' fundraiser to coincide with World Book Day in March. If you have any suitable books that you no longer want, please consider donating them to school. We would welcome any baby books, children's or adults' books, fiction or non-fiction. Please bring any unwanted books to the school office. Many thanks

CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS



The Friends have signed up for 'Cashpot for Schools'. Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs – have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com. Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. Click on the link for more information: https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools

Let's get fundraising!

EASY FUNDRAISING

The Friends are registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. The website link is: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-appletonwiske

PARENT CONSULTATIONS - WEDNESDAY 9TH OCTOBER AND THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER

You should have received your booking slip for our upcoming parent consultation evenings. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.



HELLO YELLOW - WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY - THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER

We are celebrating World Mental Health Day on the 10^{th} October and supporting YoungMinds. Children can come to school in non-uniform with a splash of yellow or go all out head to toe! Donations to this important charity would be appreciated (recommended £2.00). Click on the link to find out more: https://www.youngminds.org.uk/support-us/fundraising/helloyellow

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY - INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS - MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER (



Individual photographs will be taken on Monday 14th October. If your child has a younger sibling and you would like them to be in the photograph, you can bring them between 8.00am and 8.30am (before school starts).



HALLOWEEN DISCO - THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER, 6.00PM - 7.15PM

The Friends of the School have arranged a Devilish Disco for our pupils. Frightful or fun fancy dress is optional, with a prize for the best costume! £4.00 per child, including drink and snack. Please return your child's slip to book them a place.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours faithfully

NClark

Mr N Clark Head Teacher

Diary Dates

Y3/4 Quicksticks Hockey, Northallerton 1st October

Leisure Centre

3rd October **National Poetry Day** 4th October

Harvest Festival – 2.00pm 9th October Parent Consultations, 3.30pm – 6.00pm

10th October Parent Consultations, 3.30pm – 4.30pm 10th October Hello Yellow Day (World Mental Health)

11th October Power Down Pete

14th October Tempest Photography - Individual Photos 15th October Y5/6 Football, Northallerton Leisure Centre Dave Gibson - Skip/Box 2B Fit and Young 16th October

Leader Training

24th October Halloween Disco

25th October School closes for Half Term

4th November School reopens

Y5/6 Tag Rugby, Northallerton 5th November

Leisure Centre

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 30th September 2024 and 7th October 2024

















CAKE POPS
PAINTING
COMPUTER GAMES
FOOTBALL / INDOOR GAMES
FILMS AND GAMES
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TORTILLA CHIPS AND SALSA
COLOURING PAGES AND GAMES
COLOURING PAGES AND GAMES COMPUTER GAMES

LUNCH MENU W/C 30TH 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

LUNCH MENU W/C 7TH OCTOBER 2024

Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

Monday - Chicken nuggets & diced potatoes **OR** Cheese JP Tuesday - Creamy Cheesy Tomato pasta **OR** Baked Bean JP Wednesday - Roast Gammon & Mash OR Tuna JP Thursday - Nacho Beef Bake & Veg Rice OR Cheese JP Friday - Fish Fingers & Chips OR Baked Bean JP