



12 September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the new school year and a warm welcome to our new parents. The children have returned full of enthusiasm and slotted into school routines with ease. I have to say I'm very impressed with how smart all the children look in their school uniforms – thank you for helping us to maintain our high standards. It's great to see the children enjoying their learning in the classroom and outside too. Their attitudes are fantastic and the support they provide to one another is fabulous. I have particularly enjoyed getting to know our new Nursery and Reception children – they are a joy to have in school and they are already demonstrating their individual qualities and allowing their personalities to shine. I would like to thank you for your ongoing support as we start the new academic year. The relationship between home and school is vital for your child's education so please don't hesitate to get in touch if we can help with any issues or concerns.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 97.8% which is above 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 1 for winning this week's attendance award.**



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES – FRIDAYS AT 2.30PM

Our Celebration Assemblies will resume on Friday 19th September for children in Reception to Year 6. Please join us each week to celebrate the children's achievements.



FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL AGM – TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER AT 5.00PM

We have a proactive PTA at Appleton Wiske who raise much needed funds for the children. Money raised goes towards daily fruit for all the children, school trips and additional resources. The AGM will take place on Tuesday 16th September at 5.00pm. After School Club is available for free during the meeting. Everybody is welcome and we hope to see you there.



PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Appointments for parents of Nursery children will take place the week beginning 22nd September and will be made directly with parents via the school office.

See below for parent consultation dates for children in Reception to Year 6. Booking slips will be sent home soon.

	Tuesday 7 th October	Wednesday 8 th October	Thursday 9 th October
Class 1 – Reception/Y1	-	3.30 - 6.30pm	3.30 - 5.00pm
Class 2 – Y2/3/4	3.30 - 6.30pm	3.30 - 5.00pm	-
Class 3 – Y5/6	3.30 - 6.30pm	3.30 - 5.00pm	-

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HARVEST FESTIVAL – FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER AT 2.00PM

Save the date for our Harvest Festival. The children are looking forward to singing songs, performing and sharing their work with you.



TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY – INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS – MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER

Individual photographs will be taken on Monday 13th 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).



PLAYTIMES – BE READY FOR SEPTEMBER WEATHER!

Please remember that September weather can be changeable. Some days are warm and sunny, while others may be cooler or damp. We kindly ask that children come to school with a suitable coat or jacket every day. This will help ensure everyone can enjoy playtimes safely and comfortably in outdoor play, whatever the weather brings. Thank you for your support.



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 simple 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.* **Earrings must be removed for PE lessons and will not be covered up with tape.** Thank you for your support.



HAIR AND MAKEUP

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and not have large flowers attached. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. Pupils should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have their hair coloured/dyed. Makeup and nail varnish must not be worn to school.

Please see our School Uniform Policy for more information about our standards and expectations.



YEAR 7 PUPILS

On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank our Year 6 leavers for their thoughtful and generous gift of trees that will be planted in the school grounds – a lovely idea and very much appreciated by us all. I have heard from a couple of parents who have told me how well their children are settling in at secondary school which is great to hear.



THANK YOU TO MR AND MRS QUY

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Quy (Year 6 parents) for donating a brand new climbing frame to our EYFS outdoor area; the children are really enjoying using this new resource. Mr Quy also gave up his time during the summer break to carry out some maintenance work which is very much appreciated.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours faithfully

N Clark

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher

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UPCOMING EVENTS

16 th September	-	Y1/2 Multi Skills, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
23 rd September	-	Y5/6 Hockey, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
30 th September	-	Y3/4 Hockey, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
3 rd October	-	Harvest Festival
7 th October	-	Parent Consultations (Class 2 & Class 3)
8 th October	-	Parent Consultations (Class 1, Class 2 & Class 3)
9 th October	-	Parent Consultations (Class 1)
13 th October	-	Tempest Photography – Individual Photos
14 th October	-	Y5/6 Football, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
23 rd October	-	Halloween Disco, 6.00pm – 7.15pm
24 th October	-	School closes for Half Term
4 th November	-	School reopens

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 ill

Thank you.



COMMUNITY LINKS

Used stamp collection for bone cancer research trust and RNIB.

Please keep sending in your used Stamps. Thank you.



LUNCH MENU W/C 15th SEPTEMBER 2025



Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

Monday - Pizza & Potato Wedges **OR** Baked Bean JP
 Tuesday - Spaghetti Bolognese **OR** Cheese JP
 Wednesday - Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding **OR** Tuna JP
 Thursday - Pork Meatballs with Rice **OR** Baked Bean JP
 Friday - Fish Fingers & Chips **OR** Cheese JP

LUNCH MENU W/C 22ND SEPTEMBER 2025

Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

Monday - Cheesy Tomato Pasta Bake **OR** Baked Bean JP
 Tuesday - Chicken Korma with 50/50 rice **OR** Cheese JP
 Wednesday - Minced Beef & Dumplings **OR** Tuna JP
 Thursday - Hot Dog & Potato Wedges **OR** Cheese JP
 Friday - Battered Fish & Chips **OR** Baked Bean JP



BREAKFAST CLUB

8AM – 8:35AM

JOIN OUR BREAKFAST CLUB FROM 8AM! CHILDREN CAN ENJOY CEREAL OR TOAST WITH JUICE TO KICK-START THEIR SCHOOL DAY.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

3:15PM – 6PM

EVERY EVENING AT CLUB, CHILDREN CAN ENJOY ARTS & CRAFTS, COMPUTERS, GAMES, AND A PLAY AREA WITH TOYS. WHEN THE WEATHER PERMITS, THEY'LL HEAD OUTSIDE FOR SPORTS. COOKING CLUB WILL BE FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS ONLY—KEEP AN EYE ON THE NEWSLETTER FOR DATES!

CHILDREN STAYING AFTER 4:15PM WILL BE SERVED A SNACK!

FOR TERM BOOKINGS, PLEASE FILL IN A BOOKING FORM. FOR DAILY OR WEEKLY BOOKINGS, JUST EMAIL OR CALL THE OFFICE!