

Appleton Wiske Community Primary School



Newsletter

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27 February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are all well and enjoyed the half term break. The children have returned to school looking very smart in their uniforms and have slotted back into daily routines with ease. Thank you for supporting our school and helping us to maintain high standards and expectations. We are looking forward to seeing you next week during our parent consultation evenings.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.48% which is slightly 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 2** for winning the fortnightly attendance award.

happy mind
happy life.

NON-UNIFORM DAY – FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY

Thank you for all your donations in support of our Happiness Heroes. We raised a total of £156.00 towards our 'happy mind area' in school.



YEAR 5/6 TAG RUGBY CHAMPIONS

On Tuesday 10th February, our Year 5/6 tag rugby team competed in the small schools tournament in Northallerton. They played some fantastic rugby and finished in 1st place! The attitudes and team spirit on display were fantastic. The team then took part in the Finals which were held in Thirsk on Wednesday 25th February. They faced some tough competition and put in some great performances, representing our school with pride. Congratulations and well done to Arthur, Barney, Beth, Caleb, Fab, Izzy, Noah, Ollie H-O, Rory and Rupert.



FIRE SAFETY VISITS

A massive thank you to Hannah Wood (Alfred's mum), who works for the Fire Service and visited our school on Thursday 12th and Thursday 26th February. During her visits, the children learned all about fire safety and how to stay safe in a range of fire-related situations. Hannah shared her expertise and provided lots of useful tips on what to do if faced with different fire emergencies. Children in Class 2 and Class 3 even learned some valuable emergency First Aid skills! All of the children thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and were delighted to receive a goody bag to take home. We are very grateful to Hannah for taking the time to support our pupils and help them learn these important life skills.



ROAD SAFETY ASSEMBLIES

On Thursday 26th February, we received a visit from Chrystal Staveley, a Sustainable Travel Officer with North Yorkshire Council. The assemblies were informative and engaging, helping to reinforce key messages about keeping safe on our roads. Thank you to Chrystal for taking the time to visit our school and share such important road safety advice with the children.

Happy, Healthy and Productive



WORLD BOOK DAY – THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

Children can come to school on World Book Day in onesies, PJs or dressed as a book character. The choice is yours! We are not raising money on this occasion, just celebrating our love of reading.

Book Sale

BOOK SALE – THURSDAY 5TH MARCH



To coincide with World Book Day, there will be a book sale on Thursday 5th March straight after school in the hall. Come along and choose some books. There will be honesty boxes for donations.



COMIC RELIEF (RED NOSE DAY) – FRIDAY 20TH MARCH

Children can come to school in non-uniform on Friday 20th March. If they like, they can wear a splash of red. Please ensure that children wear trainers for PE. A suggested donation of £2 would be appreciated. Thank you.



EASTER BAKE-OFF – FRIDAY 27TH MARCH AT 2.30PM (RECEPTION TO YEAR 6 PUPILS)

The Friends of the School have organised an Easter Bake-off for Friday 27th March. Just like the previous bake-off, we have decided to go for a 'free choice' approach so your child can make any type of baked product. It costs £1 per entry and there will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class. We hope you can join us for the assembly which starts at the usual time of 2.30pm. There will be a cake sale after the assembly.



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-appleton-wiske/>



MATHEMATICS CALCULATION BOOKLET FOR PARENTS

Attached to this newsletter is a booklet which provides an overview of how we teach addition, subtraction, multiplication and division throughout the school. We hope you find this useful. If you would like any more support with this, please get in touch.



BOOK DONATION

A big thank you to Mrs Race for her kind donation of books and uniform – we are very grateful, thank you.

Have a great weekend.

Yours faithfully

N Clark

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher



- 3rd March - Parent Consultation, Class 3
- 4th March - Parent Consultation, Class 1, Class 2, Class 3
- 5th March - Parent Consultation, Class 1, Class 2
- 3rd March - KS1 Fun Run, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
- 5th March - World Book Day
- 5th March - Book Sale – after school
- 9th March - Cross Country Finals, Thirsk School
- 10th March - Y3/4 Tball, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
- 17th March - Y5/6 Dodgeball, Northallerton School & Sixth Form
- 23rd March - Hot Cross Buns – Class 2 and Class 3
- 27th March - Easter Bake-off – 2.30pm
- 27th March - School closes for Easter
- 13th April - School Training Day
- 14th April - School reopens
- 14 April - Y5/6 BEE Netball
- 24th April - GB Extreme - Breakdancing/Beatboxing workshops

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.



LUNCH MENU W/C 2ND MARCH 2026



Main Choice **OR SANDWICH**

- Monday - All Day Breakfast **OR** Ham Sandwich
- Tuesday - Crispy Salmon Strips **OR** Cheese Sandwich
- Wednesday - Beef & Yorkshire Pudding **OR** Tuna Sandwich
- Thursday - Chicken Korma & Rice **OR** Cheese Sandwich
- Friday - Battered Fish & Chips **OR** Egg Sandwich

LUNCH MENU W/C 9TH MARCH 2026

Main Choice **OR JACKET POTATO = JP**

- Monday - Chicken Katsu and Rice **OR** Baked Bean JP
- Tuesday - Pizza **OR** Cheese JP
- Wednesday - Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding **OR** Baked Bean JP
- Thursday - Lasagne **OR** Tuna JP
- Friday - Fish Fingers & Chips **OR** Cheese JP

**APPLETON WISKE
BEFORE & AFTER
SCHOOL CLUB**

**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!