



23 January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

We are already three weeks into the Spring Term with lots of great learning going on across the school. The children have brilliant attitudes and always impress me with their kind, caring natures. It is great to see so many family members joining us for Celebration Assemblies – thank you for your support.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.20% 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 2** for winning the fortnightly attendance award.



SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is the most important aspect of our work in school. If you ever have any concerns, please contact me via the school office. For more information about safeguarding in our school, visit the safeguarding page on our website: <http://appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk/safeguarding>.



KEY STAGE 2 CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION

Our Key Stage 2 pupils took part in a cross country competition on Wednesday. They braved the elements and displayed tremendous attitudes. Cross country is a gruelling and challenging event, requiring grit and determination to keep going. Just getting round the course is a great achievement so well done to all our pupils. Congratulations to our amazing medal winners – Ellie (Y3 – 1st), Eva (Y5 – 2nd), Arthur (Y5 – 1st), Fab (Y5 – 3rd) and Oliver R (Y6 – 3rd).

PHONICS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS – WEDNESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY



Parents of children in Reception and Year 1 are invited to a phonics information session on Wednesday 4th March straight after school. Mrs Hainsworth will provide information about our school's approach to phonics and will also talk about the Year 1 phonics screening check. Forms were handed out recently; if you would like to attend, please return your form to the school office.



YEAR 6 SATS BOOSTERS

Our Year 6 pupils have started practising for their upcoming SATs tests and will be taking part in booster sessions once a week after school. Well done to them all for working so hard. Regardless of any national tests, we are really proud of every single pupil in Year 6 for the important role they play in our school community.



GOVERNOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in the role and would like to know more about it, please contact our Chair of Governors – Jane Quy – via the school office.

CHRISTMAS HUNDRED SQUARE



Thank you to the Friends of the School for organising our Christmas Hundred Square competition. Thanks also to the generous people who provided donations for the hampers. We raised a total of **£140.00**.



NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please could I request that children do not bring products containing nuts to school. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend with your children and families.

Yours faithfully

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Mr N Clark
Head Teacher



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| 4 th February | - Phonics Information Session - R/Y1 (3.30pm) |
| 10 th February | - Y5/6 Tag Rugby, Northallerton School & Sixth Form |
| 13 th February | - School closes for Half Term |
| 23 rd February | - School reopens |
| 26 th February | - Sustainable Travel Workshops |
| 3 rd March | - KS1 Fun Run, Northallerton School & Sixth Form |
| 10 th March | - Y3/4 Tball, Northallerton School & Sixth Form |
| 17 th March | - Y5/6 Dodgeball, Northallerton School & Sixth Form |
| 27 th March | - School closes for Easter |
| 13 th April | - School Training Day |
| 14 th April | - School reopens |
| 14 th April | - Y5/6 Netball, Northallerton School & Sixth Form |

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 26TH JANUARY 2026

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

LUNCH MENU W/C 2ND FEBRUARY 2026

Main Choice **OR** SANDWICH

Monday - Chicken Burger & Diced Potatoes **OR** Ham Sandwich
 Tuesday - Crunchy Top Mac & Cheese **OR** Tuna Sandwich
 Wednesday - Roast Gammon & Mash **OR** Egg Mayo Sandwich
 Thursday - Beef Mexican Taco with Rice **OR** Cheese Sandwich
 Friday - Fish Star (Salmon) & Chips **OR** Cheese Sandwich

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!