



10 July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

We are heading into our final week of the school year! The children deserve a lot of credit for keeping going during another heatwave and for getting on with their learning as normal. We are showing no signs of slowing down at Appleton Wiske with plenty of opportunities still to come. It is hard to believe that I only have one week left with your amazing children; I intend to make the most of the time we have together.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.55% which is very close to 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.



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>.



GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK TO MRS JACKSON

Mrs Jackson has decided that the time is right for her to leave Appleton Wiske and embrace new challenges. She is moving on to be a deputy manager in a nursery setting. Thank you to Mrs Jackson for all that she has done for our pupils who have thrived in her care. We will miss her.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ELAINE WALTERS

One of our parents – Elaine Walters – has completed the Level 3 Teaching Assistant course this year whilst providing support in Class 2. Congratulations to Elaine, and we wish her the best of luck for the future.



FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

I would like to thank the Friends of the School for their support throughout my time at Appleton Wiske. Their commitment and enthusiasm have made a real difference to the experiences we have been able to offer our pupils. Through their fundraising and willingness to give up their time, they have subsidised educational visits, organised memorable events, provided prizes for competitions, purchased valuable resources and funded the provision of fresh fruit for our pupils every day. These contributions have enriched school life in countless ways and have enabled us to provide opportunities that extend beyond the classroom. Thank you.



YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY

Congratulations to our Year 6 children who completed their bikeability training last week.

Happy, Healthy and Productive



NURSERY TRIP TO THORNABY FIRE STATION

Last week, our Nursery children had a fantastic time at Thornaby Fire Station. They explored the fire engines and boarded a water safety boat, and they even took part in a 'penalty shoot-out' using the fire hoses! They found out what a firefighter would wear in different situations and thought the dormitories and firefighters' kitchen were awesome! A big thank you to Thomas' Mum for arranging the trip with Mrs Hainsworth.



MR ROWLING – CLASS 3 VISITOR

Thank you to Miss Rowling's Dad for visiting us last week and working with our Year 5/6 pupils on their performances for the school production. His support and guidance made a real difference and gave the children confidence and belief in themselves.



SUMMER DISCO

Thank you to the Friends of the School for organising a brilliant summer disco. The children had a great time. There was even a dance-off between the children and adults but I don't want to talk about that! We raised £250 which is a great amount – thank you.



CLASS 3 PRODUCTION – *LET LOOSE!*

The Year 5/6 children were outstanding in their end of year production of *Let Loose!* The acting, singing and choreography were just brilliant. Individually every child did their best and contributed to what was an entertaining, funny and at times poignant show. Well done, everyone!



CLASS 3 MUSICAL PERFORMANCE – MONDAY 13TH JULY AT 2.30PM

Our Year 5/6 pupils will be performing their guitars and ukuleles on Monday 13th July. Join us in school at 2.30pm.



END OF YEAR AWARDS AND LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY – FRIDAY 17TH JULY AT 2.00PM

Join us for our leavers' assembly which will take place on the last day of term at 2.00pm. We look forward to celebrating the children's achievements with you. Everyone is welcome.



GENEROUS DONATION

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Moore for their generous donation of resources to our Nursery. They will certainly be put to good use.



MUSIC GROUP – APPLETON WISKE VILLAGE HALL

There is currently a small music group at the chapel which is moving to the village hall in the summer holidays. Now organised by local mums, the group will remain in the village hall after the summer holidays. Held every Tuesday, 9.30am – 11.00am, open to all ages. The cost is £2.00 which includes tea, coffee and a biscuit. Free play after songs.



FREE TENNIS

Appleton Recreation Association (ARA) is a charity which runs the playground, courts, skate park and playing field. The playground in Appleton is not run by public funds. Some will already know that the Tennis Courts are free to use at present. During the summer holidays there will be a grass track cut around the playing field which can be used for walking, running or for children to cycle around. These facilities are free to use at present for anyone attending Appleton Wiske School (and their relatives). The ARA is funded by a 200 Club – tickets available from Appleton Shop. If you do regularly use the facilities please consider buying a ticket, or volunteering to help the ARA (rogersduncan48@gmail.com)

Have a great weekend.

Yours faithfully

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

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 13th July - Class 3 Musical Performance
- 14th July - Great Yorkshire Show – Year 6
- 15th July - Year 5 Festival – Northallerton School
- 15th July - Class 2 Trip to Shildon Railway Museum
- 16th July - Roger and Rosy Key - Wildlife Area (all classes)
- 17th July - Leavers' Assembly – 2.00pm
- 17th July - School closes for Summer
- 7th September - School closed for staff training day
- 8th September - School opens (full school uniform, not PE)



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 13TH JULY 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



LUNCH MENU W/C 7TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

- Monday - Meatballs in Tomato Sauce **OR** Baked Beans JP
- Tuesday - Crispy Salmon Strips **OR** Cheese JP
- Wednesday - Toad in the Hole **OR** Tuna JP
- Thursday - Chicken Korma & Rice **OR** Baked Beans JP
- Friday - Fish Fingers and 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!