

Appleton Wiske Community Primary School



Newsletter

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8 May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you made the most of the Bank Holiday weekend with your children and families. We have enjoyed another busy couple of weeks in school with lots to celebrate. The children are really making the most of all the opportunities that are on offer with enthusiastic attitudes and positive behaviours on display.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance is currently 96.88% which is 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 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>.



HEADTEACHER RECRUITMENT UPDATE

Mrs Quy and I have been busy showing prospective candidates around our lovely school. Shortlisting will take place during the week beginning 11th May with interviews taking place the following week (before the half term break).

YEAR 6 SATS



Our Year 6 pupils have been working hard on their upcoming SATs tests. The majority have taken part in weekly booster sessions after school so a big well done to them. Good luck to all our Year 6 children.



BEATBOXING AND BREAKDANCING WORKSHOPS

On Friday 24th April, we received a visit from GB Extreme who led a whole school assembly and class beatboxing and breakdancing workshops. This was something very different for our pupils and they were able to try new skills and develop their creativity in interesting ways. The workshops were excellent and everybody enjoyed taking part.



KEY STAGE 2 CRICKET TOURNAMENTS

Our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 pupils have each taken part in small schools cricket tournaments in the last two weeks. The attitudes and support for one another have been fantastic, and the quality of cricket on display has been impressive. One of our Year 5/6 teams finished in 2nd place and one of our Year 3/4 teams finished in 3rd place, both of which are great achievements. A big well done to all the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 children for taking part.

Happy, Healthy and Productive



MAY FAYRE CELEBRATIONS

What a fabulous May Fayre! This is one of the standout events on our school calendar and a proud school tradition. The sun was shining and the atmosphere was wonderful. Thank you to everybody who came along and supported our school. The dancing from Nursery up to Year 6 was super and I could see how much everybody enjoyed the event. A big thank you to Mr Haydock and Mr Appleyard for providing the music. After the dancing, we enjoyed refreshments which were kindly provided by the Friends of the School. Thank you to all the volunteers who made this possible – we really appreciate it. Many thanks also to Roots Farm Shop for providing the delicious scones. Finally, I would like to say well done and thank you to the Year 5/6 children who helped with the stalls and activities. We raised a total of £214.84 which is absolutely fantastic.

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL



NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY 3RD JUNE AT 5.00PM

Please join us at the next Friends of the School meeting. Everyone is welcome and free childcare is available in our After School Club. Thank you.



GENEROUS DONATIONS

A big thank you to Mr and Mrs Turner for providing us with lots of plants and soil for the Class 1 outdoor area. Thanks also to past pupil Ben Price for donating lots of great books to Class 3.



HOLIDAY CLUBS – SOMETHING DIFFERENT

"Outdoor Explorers Yorkshire are running a two-day holiday club over the May Half Term. The club is for 5-7 year olds and offers a variety of sports, arts and crafts, baking and outdoor nature-inspired play. For more information and to book please see the attached flyer or visit:

<https://outdoorexplorersyorkshire.co.uk/holiday-clubs-northallerton/>

Have a great weekend.

Yours faithfully

Mr N Clark
Head Teacher

What's Happening

- w/c 11th May - Year 6 SATs
- 20th – 22nd May - Y5/6 Bewerley Park Residential
- 22nd May - School closes for Half Term
- 1st June - School reopens
- 2nd June - Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics, Northallerton School
- 3rd June - Y6 Sustainable travel event – secondary transition
- 4th June - Class 3 Trip to Hartlepool Power Station
- 8th June - Multicultural day - all classes
- 9th June - Y3/4 Sportshall Athletics, Northallerton School
- 11th June - Tempest - Class Group Photos
- 12th June - Sports Day – 1.00pm
- 15th June - New Parents Information Evening
- 16th June - Y3/4 Mini Tennis, Northallerton Tennis Club
- 17th June - Teddy Bears' Picnic
- 23rd June - Y5/6 Bikeability
- 29th June - Nursery Trip to Thornaby Fire Station
- 30th June - Y5/6 Bikeability
- 17th July - Leavers' Assembly – 2.00pm

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 11TH MAY 2026



Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

- Monday - Chicken Nuggets **OR** Baked Bean JP
- Tuesday - Pizza & Diced Potatoes **OR** Cheese JP
- Wednesday - Gammon & Mashed Potato **OR** Tuna JP
- Thursday - Spaghetti Bolognese **OR** Baked Bean JP
- Friday - Fish Fingers & Chips **OR** Cheese JP

LUNCH MENU W/C 18TH MAY 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

**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!

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