

# Appleton Wiske Community Primary School



## Newsletter

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19<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

It's great to have all the children back in school! They have settled in well and the difference it has made is clear to see. We have happy, healthy and productive pupils in our school who are making the most of their opportunities. I have been fortunate enough to work with each class in the last two weeks and I am so proud of the children's positive attitudes and enthusiasm for school life.

### ATTENDANCE

I am pleased to inform you that we have had 100% attendance since 8<sup>th</sup> March which is phenomenal!



### MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Some time ago, the Appleton Wiske Educational Foundation provided us with a wide range of musical instruments such as violins, guitars, trumpets and clarinets. If your child is interested in learning a musical instrument, please contact the school office for more information about how we can provide support.

### JEWELLERY, HAIR AND MAKEUP – REMINDER

For health and safety reasons we do not allow pupils to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are watches and plain studded earrings, which must be removed during PE lessons to prevent injury. Certain items may also be worn for religious reasons. 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 at school. Thank you for your support.

### DNA DETECTIVES

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, Class 2 and Class 3 enjoyed a virtual science session with Dr. Mandy Hartley – science communicator and author of 'The DNA Detective' series. The session was all about how DNA can be taken from bones to uncover the mysteries of the distant and not so distant past. Dr. Hartley also explained how DNA is used by scientists in real life situations from solving crimes to developing vaccines. It was an excellent virtual session which inspired the children to produce a range of follow-up work, and we also now have two signed copies of Dr. Hartley's book!



### WORLD BOOK DAY – THURSDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

Thank you for supporting our World Book Day celebrations. We were pleased that we postponed the official date so that all our pupils could celebrate in school together. We had a good range of PJs, onesies and book characters! Well done, everybody. See the class photographs here: <http://appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk/gallery>



### FOREST SCHOOL

Forest School resumed this week for Reception and Year 1 children, and they certainly made up for lost time. We are delighted that they are able to access the local woodland to develop their outdoor learning in such a fantastic environment. Thank you to Mr Blackwood for getting the minibus ready and also for providing much needed support on the day.



### EASTER LUNCH

Easter lunch will be served on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March and the menu will be as follows (please note this is a change to the online Spring Menu):

#### Main Course

Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing, Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Spring Cabbage and Cauliflower – there will also be the option of a Tuna and Cucumber Sandwich

#### Pudding

Easter Cupcake OR Fruit OR Yoghurt

**Happy, Healthy and Productive**



## PARENTPAY – MEAL SELECTOR

We have been informed by County Catering that Meal Selector will be relaunched on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and parents/carers will be able to pre-order meals for their children from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April for meals week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> April. This will mean that your child will be asked their choice by their teachers each morning at school on 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> April. Could you please ensure you have topped up Parentpay if your child requires a meal (£2.80 per day). For information purposes only the meal choices for week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> April are set out in this Newsletter. The Summer Menu will soon be appearing on the school website <http://appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk/parents/school-meals>



## EASTER EGG COMPETITION – FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

We are going to hold our annual Easter Egg competition in the final week of term. Your child can decorate a boiled egg and bring it into school on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> or Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**. Entries will be quarantined until **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March** when we will announce the winners in assembly. The cost is £1 per entry and there will be prizes available!

We are almost at the end of the Spring Term and I am sure your children are looking forward to the Easter break. Please remember that school is closed on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April for staff training and will reopen for the children on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

Have a great weekend.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'N Clark'.

Mr N Clark  
Head Teacher



### DIARY DATES

22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Bring Easter Egg entries to school  
 26<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg Competition  
 26<sup>th</sup> March – School closes for Easter  
 12<sup>th</sup> April – Staff Training Day  
 13<sup>th</sup> April – Children return  
 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> April – Parent Consultations (more information to follow)

### **ABSENCE NOTES**

Please could you ensure that you send in an absence note if your child has been off school. This is a legal requirement for the school to keep with the registers. Thank you.



### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Please let us know your club arrangements for next term. Booking forms and Parental Contracts are available from the office. [CLUB ACTIVITIES – W/C 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH & W/C 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021](#)



<b>MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2021</b>	<b>CHILDREN'S CHOICE</b>
<b>TUESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH 2021</b>	<b>EASTER CRAFTS</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021</b>	<b>COMPUTER GAMES</b>
<b>THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021</b>	<b>DODGE BALL (OUTSIDE DEPENDING ON WEATHER)</b>
<b>FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021</b>	<b>FILM FRIDAY WITH PIZZA</b>
<b>MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED – STAFF TRAINING DAY</b>
<b>TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021</b>	<b>SUNFLOWER POT DECORATING</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021</b>	<b>COMPUTER GAMES</b>
<b>THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021</b>	<b>NETBALL</b>
<b>FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021</b>	<b>FILM FRIDAY WITH HOT DOGS</b>

### **LUNCH MENU – from 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2021**

Main Choice **OR SANDWICH**

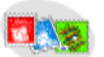
Monday – Minced Beef Hotpot **OR** Cheese Sandwich  
 Tuesday – Macaroni Cheese **OR** Egg Mayo Sandwich  
 Wednesday – Pork Meatballs **OR** Ham Sandwich  
 Thursday – **EASTER LUNCH**  
 Friday – Crunchy Fish Nibbles **OR** Chicken Mayo Sandwich

### **LUNCH MENU – from 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021**

Main Choice **OR JACKET POTATO = JP**

Monday – **SCHOOL CLOSED – STAFF TRAINING**  
 Tuesday – Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake **OR JP** with Cheese  
 Wednesday – Pork & Apple Plait **OR JP** with Tuna Mayo  
 Thursday – Beef Lasagne **OR JP** with Chicken Mayo  
 Friday – Battered Fish **OR JP** with Minced Beef

### COMMUNITY LINKS



**USED STAMPS COLLECTION FOR BONE CANCER RESEARCH TRUST - Please keep sending in your used stamps.**