

17th September, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Our first two weeks of the school year have flown by! It has been a real pleasure welcoming everybody back and seeing all the children mixing in school and on the playground. We have enjoyed whole school assemblies, normal lunchtimes and busy playtimes. It does feel as if a sense of normality has returned and long may it continue, although I must stress that we continue to follow all the current guidelines and will be prepared for any change in circumstances at a local or national level. I would like to say a massive well done to our new Reception pupils who have been wonderful – they are really embracing school and have settled in so well already. We are looking forward to the year ahead with lots of opportunities available to all our pupils.

STAFFING UPDATE

I am delighted to welcome Miss Anna Wright to the team. Miss Wright has been appointed as a Teaching Assistant and will be working in Class 3 as well as providing midday supervision to all the children.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS – TUESDAY 5TH and WEDNESDAY 6TH OCTOBER

Please save the dates for our Parent Consultations which we intend to host in school. More information about booking your appointment will be provided soon.

CLASS 1 HARVEST FESTIVAL AND CLASS 2/3 HARVEST FESTIVAL – FRIDAY 15TH OCTOBER

I am delighted to announce that we will be hosting our Harvest Festival in school. We are going to do things slightly differently this year, however, so that we can reduce the number of people in the school hall and provide more space for visitors. The plan is for Class 1 to host their Harvest Festival at 1:15pm and Classes 2 and 3 to host their Harvest Festival at 2:15pm. Save the date and we will send you more information soon.

WILDLIFE AREA

On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank the volunteers who gave up their time during summer to cut back, tidy and prepare our wildlife area. This was a huge task and it's very much appreciated. Thanks go to Josh and Bethany, their Mum and Grandparents, and also to Roger and Rosy Key.



CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS Congratulations go to Ben for winning the Under 9's Anthony Walker Football Tournament and also to Zak for winning the 'Champions League' with the U8's Northallerton Town Juniors Football Team – a fantastic achievement for both children.

20'S PLENTY

The '20's Plenty' group are campaigning for a 20 mph speed limit through Appleton Wiske village, and they are looking for volunteers to join their working party. We have displayed two posters at the school gates in a bid to encourage road users to reduce their speed but more needs to be done. If you would like to join the group, please get in touch. Thank you.

GOVERNOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a school governor and will be advertising the post very soon. If you think you could offer your expertise and time, we would love to hear from you.



NATIONAL POETRY DAY MENU

"A yummy meal that is sure to make you smile, plus with all the energy; you'll be able to run a mile!" On Thursday 7th October there will be a special menu for National Poetry Day. If this does not appear on meal selector please select main meal and the following menu will be provided. Please note there will also be a choice of an Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich with Fresh Fruit **OR** Yoghurt.

- Margherita Pizza with Potato Smiles, Peas & Baked Beans
- Upside Down Apple Slice & Ice-Cream

CONTEMPEST PHOTOGRAPY

Tempest Photography will be visiting school on Thursday 7th October, 2021 to take individual photographs or with siblings that are in school. Unfortunately due to the current restrictions we will not be able to allow photographs to be taken with siblings outside of school on this occasion. Please ensure your children wear full uniform. Thank You.

CHORISTER EXPERIENCE AT DURHAM CATHEDRAL

Does your child love to sing? Durham Cathedral is looking for the next generation of Boy and Girl Choristers. They would like to invite you to a free Chorister Experience on Saturday 2nd October at Durham Cathedral. This is a unique opportunity for any children in Years 2 - 6 to sing with the Choristers in the Cathedral. A flyer and a registration form is attached. Places are limited so early registration is essential!

YEAR 6 REFLECTIONS

In the summer term, our Year 6 pupils (now Year 7) completed a survey about their time at Appleton Wiske...with no coercion or bribery! Here is a summary of their views which we are absolutely delighted with.

	Agree ©	Disagree 🛞	Unsure 😄
I have enjoyed my time at Appleton Wiske Community Primary School	100%		
I have felt safe and well looked after at school	100%		
I have been supported with my learning at school	100%		
Adults in school have explained how my learning could be improved and I have been able to make my work better	100%		
Children behave well at this school	100%		
The school has encouraged and helped me to be healthy and take part in physical activities	100%		
I have developed my independence	100%		
I have developed my resilience	100%		
I have been treated fairly and with respect	100%		
I am proud of my achievements at Appleton Wiske	100%		

Here are just a few of the lovely comments that our children made:

This school is amazing and I want to stay here forever.

I agree with everything because the teachers are always there to help you.

All the teachers have supported me and helped me at Appleton Wiske and now I am confident in going to secondary.

I feel that I have really been helped and supported at Appleton Wiske School and I am very grateful.

Teachers, staff and everyone have been great. Thank you.

Thank you for making my time here fun.

I have loved my time here and I would like to thank all members of staff for supporting me and helping me. Everyone at this school behaves amazingly. I will miss this school a lot. Thank you.

Thank you to all the staff that have helped me over the last six years.

I would just like to say to the people who have helped me achieve so much at Appleton Wiske, from Class 1 to Class 3, thank you. I can't thank you enough.

We would like to wish our past pupils all the very best and hope that they are having a great time at secondary school. We are very proud of them all.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours faithfully

N) Clark

Mr N Clark Head Teacher



21st September – KS1 Fun Run - Northallerton School 28th September – Dodgeball, Years 3/4 – Northallerton School 28th September – Forest School Years R/1 (every Tuesday pm) 5th October – Cross Country, Years 3-6 – Northallerton School 5th and 6th October – Parent Consultations 7th October – Tempest Photography 12th October – Football, Years 5/6 – Northallerton School 15th October – Harvest Festival 19th October – School Nurse – Nasal Influenza vaccination 9th November – Sportshall Athletics, Years 5/6 – Northallerton School 16th November – Sportshall Athletics, Years 3/4 - Northallerton School 19th November – Children In Need

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 this term. Booking forms and Parental Contracts are available from the office. CLUB ACTIVITES - W/C 20TH SEPTEMBER & W/C 27TH SEPTEMBER 2021







IONDAY 20 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	COOKERY – SAUSAGE ROLLS
TUESDAY 21 st SEPTEMBER 2021	ARTS & CRAFTS – WOODEN BLOCK PEOPLE
WEDNESDAY 22 ND SEPTEMBER 2021	COMPUTER GAMES
THURSDAY 23 RD SEPTEMBER 2021	SPORT - BASKETBALL
FRIDAY 24 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	FILM FRIDAY
MONDAY 27 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	COOKERY – WACKY CAKE
TUESDAY 28 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	ARTS & CRAFTS – HARVEST DISPLAY BOARD
WEDNESDAY 29 th SEPTEMBER 2021	COMPUTER GAMES
THURSDAY 30 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	SPORT - TENNIS
FRIDAY 1 ST OCTOBER 2021	FILM FRIDAY

LUNCH MENU – from 20 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	LUNCH MENU – from 27 TH SEPTEMBER 2021	
Main Choice OR JACKET POTATO = JP	Main Choice OR JACKET POTATO = JP	
Monday – Minced Beef & Dumplings OR JP with Cheese OR	Monday – Beef Burger in a Bun OR JP with Baked Beans	
Baked Beans	Tuesday – Macaroni Cheese OR JP with Cheese	
Tuesday – Cheese & Tomato Pasta OR JP with Tuna	Wednesday – Roast Chicken OR JP with Baked Beans	
Wednesday – Pork Loin OR JP with Chicken Mayo	Thursday – Mexican Tortilla Boats OR JP with Cheese OR	
Thursday – Chicken Korma & Rice OR JP with Baked Beans	Baked Beans	
Friday – Harry Ramsdens Battered Fish OR JP with Cheese	Friday – Fish Cake OR JP with Tuna	

COMMUNITY LINKS

APPLETON WISKE RECREATION ASSOCIATION

ARA is a small charity who provide and upkeep the recreation field, sporting and play facilities in Appleton Wiske primarily for residents in the village and local area. **Can you spare a few hours a month?** We are looking for an enthusiastic administrative volunteer who can help them with general correspondence, database management, emails, keeping records of membership and other similar administrative responsibilities. In addition to this they are also looking for volunteers to help with the upkeep of the playing field, sports and play facilities. They are particularly looking for skills and experience in the following:

Construction Trade, Painting/Cleaning/Grounds Maintenance, Funding, Advertising/Membership, Finance/Business. If you are interested in volunteering in either capacity please leave your contact details with Jackie at the Post Office in Appleton Wiske.



USED STAMP COLLECTION FOR BONE CANCER RESEARCH TRUST AND CYSTIC FIBROSIS - <u>Please keep sending in</u> <u>your used stamps</u>.