



17<sup>th</sup> December, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

We have made it to the end of another busy term! The children have worked hard inside and outside the classroom, and they have embraced a wide range of opportunities which have provided them with valuable extracurricular experiences. It has made a big difference for us to have been able to mix within school – the children have enjoyed playtimes, lunchtimes and assemblies as a whole school and I am always impressed with the manner in which they conduct themselves with outstanding attitudes to school life. There have been challenges along the way and there will be more to come, so I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fantastic staff for putting the children first and providing much needed support and dedication. Many thanks for all of your incredible support too – it is always appreciated.

### ATTENDANCE

Well done to **Class 3** for winning the fortnightly Attendance Award – again! Our whole school attendance this term is 95.1% which, considering the circumstances, is very impressive. Thank you for helping us to maintain high rates of attendance.

### EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Please remember to let the School Office know of any changes to your address, email or telephone numbers (landline, mobile and work). Thank You.

## CHRISTMAS ROUND-UP

### CLASS 1 NATIVITY

We are very proud of our Reception and Year 1/2 pupils for their tremendous performances in our Class 1 nativity – ‘The Donkey Seller’. Thank you to the staff for working so hard on this too. The recording is on our website – enjoy!

<http://appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk/gallery>



### CHRISTMAS LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER

A big thank you to Elaine for serving such a fabulous Christmas Lunch. It was a great school event and the photographs are on our website.

### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY FOR SAVE THE CHILDREN – FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER



The children and staff looked suitably festive in their Christmas jumpers. Thank you for supporting this important charity. We raised £98 which is a great effort. Well done, everybody.

### CLASS PARTIES

The children enjoyed their Christmas parties. It was great to see them dancing, playing games and having fun with their friends!

### VISIT FROM FATHER CHRISTMAS

The rumours are true! Santa Claus was last seen in Appleton Wiske village and he even stopped off at the school to see our pupils.

### 200 SQUARE COMPETITION

Thank you to the Friends of the School for organising our 200 square competition and many thanks to everybody who donated items for the hampers – your generosity is very much appreciated. Congratulations to the winners – Debbie Robson (192), Val Hills (128), Evisca (76), Henry B (83), Bella’s Grandma (45) and Beau (20).



## **FOODSHARE APPEAL**

Please remember the Hambleton Foodshare as you complete your Christmas shopping. Gifts can be left in the Post Office in Appleton Wiske. Thank you.

## **ARTS AND CRAFTS DONATION TO SCHOOL**

Thank you to Henry's Grandma, Mrs Kay Hutchinson, for sending in craft materials for the children to use in school.

Finally, I would like to wish you and your families a healthy and happy Christmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

Yours faithfully

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

Mr N Clark  
Head Teacher



### DIARY DATES

3<sup>rd</sup> January – Bank Holiday  
 4<sup>th</sup> January – Staff Training Day  
 5<sup>th</sup> January – School Opens  
 14<sup>th</sup> January – Judo with Glynn Fidgeon – Whole School  
 25<sup>th</sup> January – Multi Skills – Years 3/4 – Northallerton School  
 8<sup>th</sup> February – Key Steps Gym – Years 1-6 – Northallerton School  
 4<sup>th</sup> March – Class 2 Music for Life  
 9<sup>th</sup> March – Tempest Photography – Class/Sport Groups  
 15<sup>th</sup> March – Hi 5 Netball – Years 5/6 – Northallerton School  
 18<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day – Comic Relief  
 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Tball – Years 3/4 – Northallerton School  
 25<sup>th</sup> March – Power Down Pete – Whole School  
 29<sup>th</sup> March – Quicksticks Hockey – Years 3/4 – Northallerton School  
 1<sup>st</sup> April – Class 2 Music for Life  
 5<sup>th</sup> April – Quicksticks Hockey – Years 5/6 – Northallerton School

### **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 ACTIVITIES - W/C 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY & W/C 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022



<b>MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY</b>
<b>TUESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED – STAFF TRAINING DAY</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>COMPUTER GAMES AND CRAFTS</b>
<b>THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>SPORT – INDOOR GAMES</b>
<b>FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>FILM FRIDAY</b>
<b>MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>COOKERY – SAUSAGE ROLLS</b>
<b>TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>CRAFTS – NEW TERM CLUB DISPLAY IDEAS</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>COMPUTER GAMES AND CRAFTS</b>
<b>THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>SPORT – INDOOR GAMES</b>
<b>FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022</b>	<b>FILM FRIDAY</b>

#### **LUNCH MENU – from 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2022**

Main Choice **OR** JACKET POTATO = JP

Monday – **SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY**  
 Tuesday – **SCHOOL CLOSED – STAFF TRAINING DAY**  
 Wednesday – Savoury Minced Beef **OR** JP with Tuna  
 Thursday – Sausage & Mash **OR** JP with Cheese  
 Friday – Fish Fingers **OR** JP with Chicken Mayo

#### **LUNCH MENU – from 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022**

Main Choice **OR** SANDWICH

Monday – Pasta Bolognese **OR** Ham Sandwich  
 Tuesday – Chicken & Vegetable Pie **OR** Egg Mayo Sandwich  
 Wednesday – Roast Pork Dinner **OR** Tuna Sandwich  
 Thursday – Dippers with Potato Wedges **OR** Cheese Sandwich  
 Friday – Breaded Fish **OR** Chicken Sandwich

## COMMUNITY LINKS

### **FILM FOR CHRISTMAS - 'NATIVITY ROCKS'**

The Friends have organised a Christmas Film for the school and local children on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December from 2pm in Appleton Wiske Village Hall. The Christmas treat will be free of charge and a drink and biscuits will be provided. If you have any concerns closer to the event you can contact Mrs Melanie Roe on 07788100729. All adults will be wearing masks and the children will be given plenty of space when seated during the film.

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

