



The Apple

The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham

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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a fantastic half term here at Isaac Newton! The range of activities in class, combined with the attitudes of the pupils have ensured that high quality work has taken place and we are amazed by both its quantity and quality.

This week has been a busy one with the Year 3/4 tennis team playing in the Grantham Schools finals. They did brilliantly managing to finish 3rd out of all the schools competing in the last three weeks. The girls' cricket team has also been in action finishing 4th out of all of the schools in Grantham. Well done to both teams!

The Year 3/4s visited Leicester Museum earlier in the week. They behaved wonderfully and the visit really enhanced the learning that has taken place so far during their Egyptian topic.

We have even had time to see our violinists perform. Thank you to all of those Parents and Carers who came along. The children were wonderful. There will be another concert for Parents/Carers of violinists on the afternoon of 8th July at 2pm.

Today has been an exceptionally busy day with the Foundation Stage pupils dressing as mini-beasts (they looked brilliant) and the Year 1/2 pupils holding their "Jungle Sale".

Finally, thank you to all of those members of the school community who contributed to the book and toy sale on Friday. We raised another £40 towards the school library.

We are incredibly proud of all of the pupils at the school and hope that you all have a great break next week. We will return to school on Monday 1st June.

Paul Hill
Headteacher

School Fair - Friday 3rd July 3pm

To help with our fundraising efforts, for the School Library, we will be holding a School Fair on the above date. Donations of the following would be gratefully received:

- Tombola items
- Toys and books
- Cakes for the cake stall
- Soft toys (clean and in good condition)

Any donations can be delivered to school up to a week in advance of the fair. Cakes should be delivered on the day of the fair. If you would like a car boot space or table top for sales then please fill in the slips below and return them to the school office. **Please note: If it is wet then the car boot will be cancelled as cars will not be allowed on the school field)**

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Please Reserve me a Car Boot Space on 3rd July

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Name:.....

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Contact Phone No.:.....

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Please return to the school office along with £5.00 charge

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Bullying Response

So far we have received one response to the definition of bullying which we proposed in last week's newsletter. Thank you to the Parent/Carer who took the time to respond. Please let us assure you that we take any act that falls into each of the bullying categories seriously, even when it happens once. As a school we are desperate to ensure that children feel safe and that they feel that their concerns are taken seriously. Dealing with initial incidents forms a huge part of this, allowing us to intervene before negative behaviours are repeated. We need your help to change pupils' attitudes towards telling adults - this allows us to intervene instantly. We have used assembly this week to reaffirm the need for pupils to inform any adults in school when they have any issues.

As a result of the response we have changed the definition that we will use to:

"Bullying is **deliberately** hurtful behaviour that is **repeated** or *has the potential to be repeated* over a period of time, making it difficult for the person concerned to defend themselves".

Library Raffle

Don't forget to buy your raffle ticket from the office for £1. The final cash prize will be based upon the number of tickets sold!

Picking up after school

There are a number of children who are continually picked up late from school at present. Next term we will be checking our records and contacting Parents/Carers who are persistently late at the end of the day. We understand that all Parents/Carers will find themselves in situations whereby they are unable to arrive on time. In such situations we would expect to receive a phone call to explain.

Phone Numbers

There have been at least three occasions in the last week when we have struggled to contact Parents/Carers either because their phone numbers have changed, there has been no answer from any contact or the phone line has been cut off. Can all Parents/Carers please ensure that we have the correct contact details. If you have changed your mobile phone number then note it down and hand it in at the school office.

Dates for your diary:

1st June	Return to School
10th June	Y5/6 Magna Carta Visit
Week of 15th June	Y1 Phonics Test
17th June	Y5/6 Countryside Day
24th June	Year 3-6 Sports Day
8th July	Violin Concert
10th July	YR-2 Sports Day