



The Apple



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Dear Parents/Carer

It has been a great first full week back at school for the pupils. The Year 3/4 children have experienced a particularly exciting week with their visit to Lincoln. They behaved brilliantly and completed lots of practical activities in readiness for their topic this term.

At film club on Friday we were unable to reach the end of the film. When we advertised the club we expected to get about 30 children. By the time the club began we were way over 150. This was a brilliant turn out and we were delighted to see so many pupils. However registration was not as straight forward as we hoped. We have now closed the register for the next two films. We will work on our systems to ensure that we are able to get through the film in time for the pick-up.

Finally, there has been some extreme weather within the country this week. Please remember that we will use Facebook, Twitter and the school website should we need to keep you informed of our ability to open. We have not had to close the school for years and would only do so if the safety of pupils and staff could not be assured.

Paul Hill
Headteacher

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TODAY IS THE LAST WORKING DAY – Deadline 15th January 2017

Applying for a place in Reception next year

Children born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 are due to start Reception in September 2017.

Don't forget that today is the last working day for applying for a place in Reception. You need to go online and apply **NOW** if you haven't already done so!

Disco

There will be a disco for the pupils in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 on 9th February from 6pm-7:15pm. Tickets are available at the school office for £2. This includes a drink and a packet of crisps. **Tickets are allocated on a first come first served basis and must be purchased in order to come.** We limit the numbers due to fire regulations.

Dates for your Diary:

18 th Jan	Film Night (<i>fully booked</i>)
1 st Feb	Film Night (<i>fully booked</i>)
5 th Feb	Swim Marathon <i>details to follow</i>
10 th Feb	Last day before half term

Shutting School for Snow

With winter upon us we would like to ensure that all Parents/Carers are aware of the way in which we would notify you should we have to close school. We would never take this decision lightly and would only close the school should we assess the situation and realise that staff or pupils would be in danger should we open. Notification of any closure would be by local radio, word of mouth, Twitter, Facebook and most importantly the school website.

Healthy Snacks

Can we take this opportunity to remind Parents and Carers that pupils should be bringing healthy snacks for break times. A number of pupils have been bringing chocolate and crisps. We run the tuck shop for the older pupils on a Friday so that the children can have a treat and would appreciate your support for the rest of the week.

KS1 Reading Afternoon

Key Stage 1 had a fantastic time on Wednesday when we shared traditional tales with our parents/carers. Many thanks to everyone for coming and taking part

Donations Needed:

Donations of unwanted Christmas Chocolate would be greatly appreciated. We will be holding a chocolate tombola at Easter.

Does your newsletter ever disappear?

If it does then don't worry. You can either:

- Make sure that you have given us your email address – the newsletter can then be sent electronically, or:
- Check the school website (usually on a Friday but always by the following Monday). Just go to the website and click on the newsletters tab.

DON'T BE LATE!

Number of minutes late a day	Number of days missed a year!
5	1 and a half days
10	2 and three quarter days
15	4 and a quarter days
20	5 and three quarter days (over a school week)
25	7 days
30	8 and a half days

This is based on children spending 5 hours and 20 minutes in class each day.