

# The Apple

**The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham**



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## Dear Parents/Carer

We have enjoyed another fantastic half term here at Isaac Newton and I am sure that the children will be looking forward to a well-earned rest next week. As I walk around the school I continue to be amazed by the attitudes of the pupils and by the brilliant learning experiences that are provided by the staff. The quality of work being produced is wonderful.

Our attendance rate currently stands at 95.6%. Our record is 96.0%. It would be fantastic if we were able to match or better our record this year. Children attending on a regular basis (above 95%) is essential if they are to make the progress that we would expect.

The Year 3/4 Tennis Team played in the Grantham Finals yesterday evening. They played brilliantly and came second. We were exceptionally proud of their performance and attitude.



Thank you to everyone who came to Bingo yesterday. It is always a great event. I would like to say an extra thank you to the staff who organise the event and those who attend to make sure that it runs smoothly.



(Potions made from natural materials in Year 5 this week)

Finally, have a fantastic half term break – we will be looking forward to seeing **the pupils return on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Paul Hill  
Headteacher**

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## Sun Cream

As the weather improves it is essential that children are protected against the sun and are well hydrated. As such can Parents/Carers please ensure that children have either have school water bottles (available from the office) or a transparent water bottle. If children are able to apply their own sun cream then they should bring it in a bottle labeled with their name. This will then be stored in school by the class teacher who will allow application prior to periods of time spent outside. If you chose to apply sun cream prior to school then please be aware that it is unlikely to last until the main outdoor period at lunch time. As such please ensure that you check that the sun cream states that it will last for the whole day if applying before school. **All sun cream should be at least factor 30.**

## School Shoes

A number of children have been attending school either in trainers or in sandal like shoes. Please remember that pupils' shoes should cover their feet entirely and that school shoes do form part of our uniform. We do not allow sandals or strappy shoes as they leave parts of the foot exposed which can mean that we get an increased number of injuries during break and lunch playtimes.



(Year 3 at Eureka last week)

## Dates for Your Diary

26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day at school before half term
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to school
14 <sup>th</sup> June	New Parents Meeting (FS 17/18)
15 <sup>th</sup> June	New Parents Meeting (FS 17/18)
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Kwik Cricket Tournament
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Grantham Carnival
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Bake Off
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Violin Concert
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Moving on morning
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Mark's Magic Kingdom
7 <sup>th</sup> July	KS1 Sports Day (morning on the school field)
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Hockey County Finals
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 3-6 Sports Day (morning at the Meres)
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day before Summer Holiday



## Bullying

Each year we ensure that we review the school's definition of bullying. Following previous consultations we define bullying as follows:

"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".

Within this we know that bullying can take the following forms:

**Physical** - hitting, kicking, taking or hiding

**Verbal** - name calling, teasing or insulting

**Emotional** - excluding, tormenting, looks

**Exclusion** – left out of activities/discussions

**Threatening** – any threats to others

**Cyber** - using ICT (computers, phones, tablets, consoles etc) for any of the above

This definition and the list are not exhaustive – situations will always arise which need our full attention but are not listed here.

We would welcome any opinions about this definition so that we can refine or change aspects of it as rapid changes in society impact the experiences that children have on a day to day basis.



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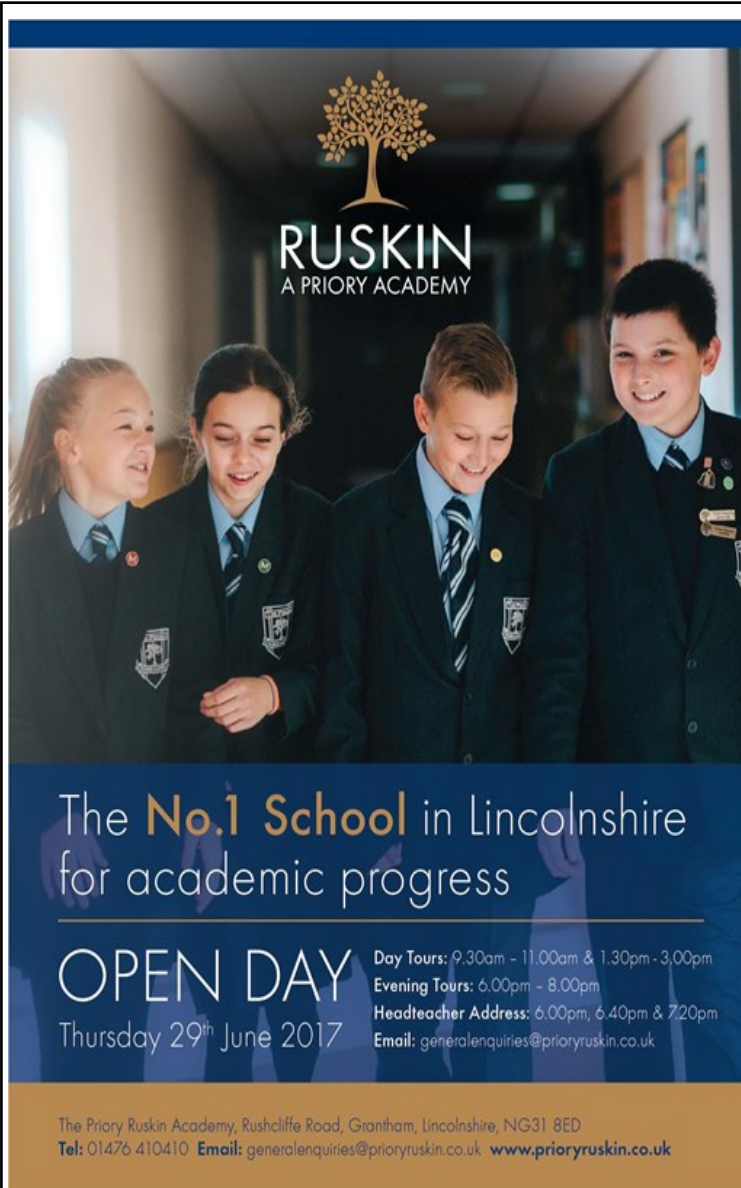
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***If any Parents/Carers are considering applying to Priory Ruskin with a visual arts portfolio or due to PE excellence then please let your class teacher know.***

## CAKE BAKE OFF

Weds 21<sup>st</sup> June £1 to enter your baking masterpiece. Cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places and cakes to be sold at 3:30pm following judging. Buy your ticket from the office to enter!

## E-safety

This week we have decided to focus on live streaming. This is when children use cameras on devices to place things directly onto the internet without any editing. Common issues and ways to address these are listed on our fact sheet in the "E-safety" section of the school website.

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