

# The Apple

# The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham

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### Dear Parents/Carers

It seems unbelievable that we have been back at school for three weeks. The children continue to work brilliantly and we are impressed with the progress that is being made throughout the school.

Last week saw our Indoor Athletics Team in action. They performed brilliantly in the local inter-schools competition coming 5<sup>th</sup> out of the 8 schools represented. They behaved impeccably and should be extremely proud of their efforts.

Having been an academy for over a month we felt it was the correct time to introduce Paul Boucher - the Chair of the Community Inclusive Trust Board of Trustees. We are delighted to be working with him and are keen to ensure that the structure of the academy is as transparent as possible (see across):

Paul Hill Headteacher



## Pirate Ship (Infant Playground)

A number of Parents/Carers have asked why the breakfast club children are allowed on the Pirate Ship climbing frame prior to school. The use of climbing frames outside of school hours has always been a contentious issue with the media, Local Authorities, Health and Saftey Executive and insurance companies seemingly giving mixed messages about the precautions that should be taken. At present we are seeking to clarify the legal standpoint on the use of the Pirate Ship when school staff are not present. Pupils who attend breakfast club have been taking advantage of the Pirate Ship as they have a member of school staff in attendance. As soon as we have clarified the rules then we will let you know.

### Milk in School

During the week you should have received a letter about milk in school. If you have not received your letter then some are available in the school office.

### **British Heart Foundation Day**

This year the School Council have chosen to support the British Heart Foundation. On 6<sup>th</sup> February we will hold a "Wear Something Red Day" and ask pupils to bring in 50p each to donate to the British Heart Foundation.

### **DISCO**

We will be having a school disco on the 10<sup>th</sup> February, tickets are now on sale in the office. We have decided to experiment with a new system for the pupils in Years 3-6. The price has increased by 50p but this will include drinks and a packet of crisps. This will allow children to enjoy their time in the disco rather than spending a long time waiting at the tuck shop.

### Dear Parents/Carers

Paul Hill has made you aware through his newsletters recently that Isaac Newton Primary School has converted to become an academy. He has also informed you about the Community Inclusive Trust (CIT) which has become the sponsor for your school to become an academy and has taken over responsibility for Isaac Newton alongside its existing academies, Ambergate Sports College and Sandon School.

I would like to introduce myself as the Chair of the CIT Trust Board. The Board is, in effect, a group of Governors. It is made up of people who have considerable experience in the field of education, human resources and business and whose ultimate aim is to support the head teachers and staff within the Trust's academies and help them to provide the best possible educational experiences for all the children and young people for whom the Trust is responsible. As Chair I will be taking a great interest in the continuing development and success of Isaac Newton Primary School.

The Trust Board has oversight of its schools but also delegates responsibility to a Local Governing Body. The Local Governing Body for Isaac Newton Primary School will continue to provide support and challenge to your school but will also report to the CIT Trust Board. More information about CIT is available from the links on the Isaac Newton Primary School website. If you would like to contact me or the CIT Board please feel free to do so through the school. I do wish all your children the very best for their continuing happiness and success and I appreciate very much the excellent job that Paul Hill and his staff are doing in working to raise standards and provide the best possible education for all your children.

Yours sincerely

Paul Boucher

Chair of CIT Board of Trustees

# Dates for your diary:

6<sup>th</sup> Feb Wear something red (50p)

8<sup>th</sup> Feb Swimarathon

10<sup>th</sup> Feb School disco

5<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day

17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> March Parents Evening