



# The Apple

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## Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a great week at school with the good weather arriving just in time for the school netball team. They played really well two matches on Wednesday and we were extremely proud of their performance.

You should have received a copy of the letter written by the inspector who visited the school on 26<sup>th</sup> February. We are delighted with the way in which he feels the school has progressed. We will continue to work our hardest to ensure that the rate of progress is maintained. This was just the first of a number of visits, we expect to be visited again between Easter and the Summer holiday.

As you know, following the OfSTED Inspection we are required to become an academy. The Department for Education have now met with a number of proposed sponsors and have recommended that the Community Inclusion Trust take up this position. The trust will include three schools – ourselves, Ambergate and Sandon. The Trust will ensure that we receive the correct support in order to maintain the progress that we have already made. We are delighted that the Department for Education have matched us with local schools and are looking forward to the challenge and support that the Trust will bring. I will endeavour to answer questions about the school becoming an Academy at the end of the meeting on Tuesday evening. A full consultation will take place once the Department of Education have formally approved the proposal. We recognise that this is a time of uncertainty but will continue focus on the needs of all pupils.

Paul Hill  
Headteacher

## Easter Egg Competition:

This year we will be running an egg decorating competition for all of the pupils in the school. The judging will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. We can't wait to see the entries.

## Easter Chocolate Tombola

Any donations for the Easter Chocolate Tombola would be gratefully received – please drop them off at the school office.

## Changes to arrangements for pupils with Special Educational Needs

The government are currently changing the arrangements for pupils who have Special Educational Needs. In order to ensure that Lincolnshire provide the correct services and products a series of meetings will be held. Lincolnshire County Council would like parents/carers to attend these meeting to give their views.

The dates of the meetings will be displayed on the notice board in the window of the SEN office at school. If you would be interested in going then you can call the phone number given there.

## Dads, Lads and Lasses

Thank you to everyone who attended the Dads, Lads and Lasses evening. It was great to have so many of you attend.

## Smoking

It has come to our attention that a number of adults have been smoking within the school grounds. As a school we operate a no smoking policy. As such we would be grateful if you could ensure that this stops.

## Parent Helpers

So far we have received a lot of responses to our parent helper request. Please complete the form below if you would like to help out in school. Mr Hill will then be in touch.



**I would like to help out in school at a regular weekly time:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of you child: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Class: \_\_\_\_\_

*Once we have collected all of the responses Mr Hill will contact you.*