



# The Apple

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## Dear Parents/Carer

We are now well into term and the pupils continue to progress at pace. As I have been walking around the school it has been brilliant to hear so many members of staff saying how well the children are doing and the atmosphere is incredible.

In assembly last Friday we had our first look at our attendance rates and house point totals for the year so far. The overall attendance rate is incredible – we have managed to creep over 97% for the first time. This is an amazing achievement and puts us well on track to have a fantastic year of attendance. The house point totals were as follows:

## House Points



The children take great pride in their houses and those pupils in Tennyson were delighted to see that they have taken an early lead.

Finally, the Year 6 pupils have been having a brilliant time on their residential at PGL. I popped out to see them yesterday and they were really engaging in each of the activities. We are extremely proud of the way in which they have behaved during their time away!



Paul Hill  
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## Dates for your Diary:

18 <sup>th</sup> October	Disco
15 <sup>th</sup> November	E-safety day and Anti-Bullying Week

## Lincolnshire Day

October 1<sup>st</sup> is Lincolnshire Day when we “Yellow Bellies” celebrate all things Lincolnshire. As year six will be at PGL on that day we shall be celebrating a week later on Friday October 7<sup>th</sup>. We like to use this day as an opportunity for the children to discover the area in which they are growing up, its history, famous people, places, industry, agriculture and food. Each class will be researching some aspect of Lincolnshire and producing something to form part of an exhibition that we shall be holding in the school hall. As part of our celebrations we are having a non-uniform day when the children can come dressed in yellow to represent the nickname for Lincolnshire people. As part of their homework we would like the children to find out the origins of this nickname.

## Energy Drinks and Nuts

A number of children have been bringing energy drinks in to have with their packed lunch. Many of these drinks can have high levels of caffeine and sugar which can have a significant impact on pupils’ behaviour and ability to concentrate in class. As such it would be brilliant if all pupils were able to have a healthier option that will not be detrimental to their education. We would also be grateful if Parents/Carers would avoid sending nuts, cakes with nuts or any food with nuts within it into school. This helps us to ensure that we can maintain safety for those pupils who are allergic to nuts. Thank you for your support.

## Coats for Winter Weather

A number of children have been coming to school without coats this week. Can all Parents/Carers please ensure that children have a suitable coat for school.

## 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.

## Sports Roundup

It has been another busy week of sports. The Year 5's ran fantastically in the cross country and had great support from the members of the school community who came to watch. The Year 3/4's went to a tag rugby festival on Thursday and represented the school brilliantly. Well done to all involved.

