Dates For Your Diary:		School Term Dates:
		Term 1 4 Sept - 18 Oct October Break
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Years 1 and 2 Fire of London Outdoor Workshop	Term 2 29 Oct - 19 Dec Christmas Break
14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	School Photographs	Term 3 6 Jan - 13 Feb February Break
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	4.30pm-5.30pm Halloween Disco (Years 1-2)	Term 4 24 Feb – 2 Apr Easter Break
	6.00pm-7.15pm Halloween Disco (Years 3-6)	Term 5 20 Apr - 22 May May Break
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Fayre (3:30pm—5:00pm in the School Hall	Term 6 1 Jun - 21 Jul Summer Holiday



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# The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham

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#### Dear Parents/Carer

Here at Isaac Newton we haven't let the bad weather dampen our spirits! There's still been lots going on in school and so many memorable experiences for the children to take part in.

Our Year 5 and 6 children have been on a visit to Gainsborough Old Hall. They learnt all about life in Tudor times including taking part in a Tudor banquet!

Our Year 3 and 4 children have been continuing to learn more about their topic 'Extreme Earth'. Below is a picture of a fantastic display of some of their artwork based around 'The Great Wave of Kanagawa'.



Our Year 1 and 2 children had a very special visitor in school last week. Partake theatre came in to deliver a workshop based around the Great Fire of London. All of the children got to dress up and they acted out the story from start to finish. What a great way to remember all those important facts! Next week they will be enjoying an outdoor workshop, again based around the Great Fire of London...let's hope for some better weather!

Finally I'd like to say how well our new reception children

are settling into school life- it feels like they've always been here! They are becoming more independent and learning to follow all of our school rules and routines. What a great start- well done everyone!

**Chris Heathcote** 

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Headteacher

# Aldi Kit For Schools Campaign

We are collecting the Aldi 'Kit for Schools' stickers! Spend £30 in store and you will receive a sticker, please collect as many as you can. We need 300 to get a free kit bag full of sports goodies. A website link is below

www.getseteatfresh.co.uk.

Thank you for your support!

#### Grapes

If your child is bringing grapes into school as part of their packed lunch or morning snack, please can you ensure that they are chopped in half. Whole grapes are a choking hazard and as a result we are unable to allow children to eat these in school.

#### Golf Success

Our Year 4 Golf team were in action at the Grantham & District Tri-Golf Competition. With very limited time for practise the children took on the event with real commitment, improving their technique with every stroke. We were also complemented on our sportsmanship and enthusiasm by the Young Leaders who assisted in the running of the event. Once the results were finalised we were awarded second place and silver medals!! Well done, it was a pleasure to take you all, a real credit to Isaac Newton!!

#### Adults in School

Please remember that Parents/Carers should not be entering the school building either before or after school unless invited in by a member of staff. This is not because we do not like to see you but because we need to ensure that our child protection and fire regulations are followed. If you are late for school then you should take your child to the office where they will then be directed to their class.

### Tag Rugby

8 Year 3 children attended the recent Rugby Festival at Kesteven Rugby Club. They took part in lots of skill games, including rugby rounders and



relays, culminating in a game of tag rugby to finish. All had an enjoyable afternoon, learning a new sport and supporting each other. We are very proud of you all, which for some was their first time representing Isaac Newton!!

# **Christmas Fayre**

Our school Christmas Fayre will take place on Wednesday 11th December, from 3.30pm-5.00pm in the school hall. After half term we

will begin to collect donations for the Christmas Tombola. Please hand them in at the school office- they will all be gratefully received.

#### School Disco

We have now sold out of tickets for the KS2 disco (Years 3-6). Please do not turn up and ask to enter without a ticket. We are not allowed to have more than the allocated number of pupils in the hall due to fire regulations. Tickets for Year 1 and 2 are still available at £2, including crisps and a drink. Please note that Reception children do not attend discos in the first term.

#### **Cross Country**

Our Year 5/6 Cross Country team completed the last of their 3 races last week. All showed great determination and stamina to complete the course; just under 1 mile of off road running. Some super performances with many improving on their previous finishing places. Well done everyone!!

## **More Amazing Homework**

I continue to be amazed by the level of homework that the children are producing at the moment. Last week's assembly almost over ran because we spent so much time showing off all this amazing work! Thank you so much to all the parents/ carers and other adults who are supporting children with their homework- it's great to see them so enthused by their learning!



#### **Healthy Packed Lunches**

Good nutrition in childhood can help to prevent a variety of health problems, both in the short term and later in life. There is increasing concern that many children are consuming too much fat, sugar and salt and too little fibre, fruit and vegetables. Packed lunches can contribute to almost a third of a child's weekly food intake and therefore If your child is in Years 3 to 6 they may be need to be balanced and nutritious.

A good packed lunch contains:

- A starchy food, such as bread, rolls, pitta bread, naan bread, potatoes, rice, noodles. (These foods are good for children to fill up on.)
- A good source of protein, iron and zinc such as meat, fish, beans or eggs.
- A good source of calcium such as milk, cheese, yoghurt or fromage frais.
- One portion of fruit and one portion of vegetable or salad to provide all the other vitamins and minerals.

A piece of fruit could be a piece of fresh fruit, dried fruit or tinned fruit in fruit juice. A piece of vegetable could be fresh vegetables such as a carrot stick, salad or a vegetable soup or vegetable dish.



#### Are you entitled to Free School Meals?

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive a free school meal through the Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme. However, If your child is in Reception to

Year 2 and you are in receipt of the benefits listed below the school can receive additional funding. We would encourage you to apply for this to enable us to access this funding to help us to further enhance the opportunities that we provide for the children.

eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of one or more of the following qualifying benefits:

- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2019 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you think you are eligible, you will have to apply yourself via Lincolnshire County Council's online free school meals application service using the following: https://lcc.cloud.servelec svnergv.com/ parentportal

If you need any support with the process then please do not hesitate to pop into the school office.