

The Apple



The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham

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Dear Parents/Carer

I am delighted to begin this newsletter by announcing the appointment of my successor. Mr Chris Heathcote will begin as the Headteacher here at Isaac Newton in September! Mr Heathcote is currently the Deputy Headteacher at Claypole Primary School. He has been appointed following an extensive search and I am sure that Mr Heathcote is the right person to ensure that Isaac Newton continues to be brilliant and becomes even better.

It has been an extremely demanding week for the children in both Year 6 and Year 2 this week. They have all been taking their SATs tests. Despite our best efforts to ensure that the tests are as stress free as possible there is always a degree of anxiety amongst the pupils. The results (for Year 6) take quite a while to come back, however whatever grade children are awarded we are extremely proud of them. Our pride is not as a result of this week, but rather because of the attitude that each of them has shown throughout the year so far.

Paul Hill Headteacher



Medical Needs

Over the past half term we discovered that a number of pupils either have allergies of which we have not been informed, or children no longer have allergies that were suspected when they first joined the school. Where this is the case please make sure that you let us know so that our records are accurate.

Sun Cream and Coats

If the weather continues to improve 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 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 labelled 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 choose 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.

Family Bingo

We will hold a family bingo event on 23rd May at 3:30pm (Wednesday) in the Studio Hall. Tickets are on sale in the school office for £1.50 (hotdog included). Most importantly - there will be chocolate prizes.

Staying Safe online

As technology continues to develop quickly it is important to ensure that you have safeguards in place when your child is using devices that allow them to access the internet. This week we are highlighting a couple of helpful resources.

Think U Know:

This is a fantastic website with age appropriate sections for children as well as a brilliant guide for parents. It has a wealth of information alongside games/clips to help your child to understand both the benefits and drawbacks of the internet. Simply google ThinkUKnow to find the site.

Kidsrex:

Kidsrex is a child friendly search engine which filters out most of those websites that you would not like your child to come across when searching. Whilst no search engine can ever guarantee it is 100% free of inappropriate content this is certainly a lot more robust than the search engines that are usually used.



Language on the playground

Can all parents please ensure that they are setting a good example on the playground when dropping off and picking up. There have been a number of incidents where inappropriate language has been used.

Dates For Your Diary:

12th June Year 4 trip
13th June Year 3 trip
26th June Year 1 trip and Year 5 Trip

27th June Year 2 trip

28th June Years 3 - 6 Sports Day

4th July FS, Years 1 & 2 Sports Day