



The Apple



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Dear Parents/Carer

What a week! We finished last week with a number of pupils representing us at the Colsterworth Performing Arts Festival. This is an annual event in which we always compete. Well done to all who took part (results to follow in next week's letter). We were really proud of the way in which you represented the school.

On Tuesday our Bronze Ambassadors led an assembly about healthy living. Taking an assembly requires a great deal of courage and we are delighted to report that they did a fantastic job.



We were also delighted to welcome the NSPCC to assembly on Tuesday. We learned about keeping ourselves and others safe! The school council will decide how we support the NSPCC's charity work this term, we will then let you know about any event.

On Wednesday the (dreaded) snow began to fall. The staff did a brilliant job both to get to school and then to get the children out to enjoy the first proper settling of snow that we have had for a long time. The children had a brilliant time and behaved impeccably despite all of the excitement.

Finally, thank you for your understanding when we closed the school due to snow on Thursday and Friday. This is the first time that we have even considered shutting since my arrival in January 2014 and is not a decision that I take lightly. I waited until late in the evening on Wednesday to make the decision and was in touch with other local head teachers. By 10pm it became apparent that asking staff to travel would be irresponsible and as such we needed to close.

Whilst the snow receded on Thursday the travel conditions were extremely hazardous and Lincolnshire's Multi-Agency County Group advised all schools to consider whether it was safe and appropriate to open. After much consideration, we realised that we are unable to guarantee site safety for children and adults. This was compounded by the additional challenges faced as families and staff travel to and from the school.

Thank you to all of those people who shared the news via social media and a special thanks to Mrs Haddock who does an incredible job to keep us running and was at school to ensure that anybody who arrived could return home safely.

Paul Hill

Headteacher

World Book Day

We will be rescheduling World Book Day as soon as all staff are back in school and we are able to compare diaries. We will send a note home and publish the new date on Facebook/Twitter early next week.

Parking

Unfortunately, we have had a number of incidents reported to school due to inconsiderate parking and dangerous driving during the school run. Please remember that we must always set a good example to the pupils, both in the way that we act and the things that we say.

SATs week

This Year the pupils in Year 6 will take their Standard Attainment Tests (SATs) on the following dates.

Mon 14 th May	Grammar test followed by: Spelling Test
Tuesday 15 th May	Reading test
Weds 16 th May	Maths Paper 1 (arithmetic) followed by Maths Paper 2 (reasoning)
Thurs 17 th May	Maths Paper 3 (reasoning)

We do not want the pupils to become stressed or disenchanted with school during the build-up. As such we have explained that we do not mind how each pupil does so long as they try their hardest. The SATs are important as they are used to gauge future progress, especially in Year 11 (GCSE year). As such doing well now is a firm foundation for the future.

DISCO Years 3 to 6

We will be having a disco for the pupils in Years 3-6 on Tuesday 13th March from 6pm until 7pm. Tickets are now on sale at the office.

Tombola

On Thursday 29th March we will be holding a chocolate tombola on the Infant playground

Dates For Your Diary:

20 th March	Parents' Evening 4:00pm - 8:00pm
21 st March	Parents' Evening 4:00pm - 5:00pm
23 rd March	Sports Relief (more info to follow)

Fenland Netball Club:

Fenland Netball Club are currently looking for new Year 4, 5 and 6 boys and girls. Would your child like to join?

My name _____

it's a girl boy thing

Q I'm lightning at centre.
J Yeah, right.
Q What about my moves last week, then?
J Quite good...for a boy.
Q You just say that because you're my sis.
J Nope, I say it because you're a boy.

A ball, a hoop, a smile. That's all you need.
Anyone can play. **High 5. It's your game.**

@5car Jessica

Priory Ruskin Academy
Rushcliffe Rd Grantham NG318ED
Tuesday Evenings 6 - 7pm
£3.00
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Fenland Netball Club



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Camp Details:
Venue: Barkston Primary School & Huntingtower Primary School
Age: 5-11 years old
Time: From 8:30am till 5:30pm. *Early pick up can be arranged on the day.*
Dates: 5th, 6th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th April 2018

Prices start from £16 per child

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