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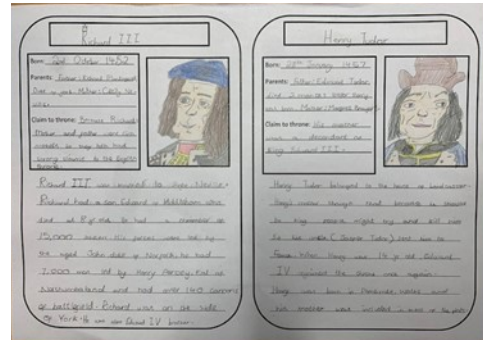
Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and had the opportunity to spend some time with friends and family (albeit outside) as Covid-19 restrictions ease further. In terms of school, the Government guidance largely remains the same. Our 'bubbles' and other measures will continue for the time being however we have been able to start running some extra-curricular clubs again. We also hope that some trips and workshops/experiences may also be able to take place again soon and the teachers have been busily coming up with some ideas for these. We really have missed being able to provide the children with lots of different, exciting and memorable experiences! Unfortunately I cannot yet confirm whether swimming sessions, sport fixtures or sports days will be able to take place during the Summer Term, however I will keep you updated regarding this. Sport is a HUGE part of our school and it is something that we all dearly miss-you all know how incredibly competitive I am when it comes to sport and Isaac Newton winning!



As always, the children have settled back into school wonderfully! I haven't been able to get around school as much as I would have

liked this week but I've still managed to get a few pictures of what the children have been up to. In EYFS there's been lots of maths going on with the children playing 'number bingo' to help work on their counting and missing numbers! In Year 1 they've been started their science topic on plants and have planted some sunflowers; in my last newsletter Class 3 were growing potatoes so clearly a very 'green fingered' year group! They've also been doing some geography work and learning about the equator. Finally, In Year 5 they have been getting stuck into their topic about the Tudors. They started the week off looking at the Wars of the Roses and now they are at the final battle between the Yorkists and Lancastrians. You can see a great piece of work here by Libby where she has written an information piece about the leaders of the two houses!



Chris Heathcote

Headteacher

Cars at the Main Gate

Please DO NOT stop outside of the main gate in your car to collect or drop children off at school. There are yellow markings on the round to indicate that it is not permitted to stop within this zone. Cars parked in this area are stopping permitted vehicles such as blue badge holders, staff and children's taxis from entering the school site. It is also becoming increasingly dangerous as cars are reversing out of this area when the gates are not opened and this has led to some near misses with children. Mr Heathcote or Mrs Pask will continue to monitor this and we have now ordered some 'no stopping cones' which we will be put out each day to stop this issue from occurring. Please DO NOT stop or park your car outside of the main gate. A leaflet from the Lincolnshire Road



Safety Partnership has been included within this newsletter for further information. Thank you for your continued support with keeping everyone safe.

Behaviour On the School Site

Please can we ask all Parents/Carers to ensure that their children are behaving appropriately when on the school site. We work incredibly hard to promote and model excellent behaviour during the school day and expect this to be continued during pick up and drop off times. This also includes siblings who attend other schools but are collecting children from Isaac Newton. Should such behaviour occur, e.g. swearing, riding bikes/scooters, disruptive behaviour, abusive or aggressive language then Parents/Carers will be contacted by Mr Heathcote and action will be taken. This could include the banning of such individuals from the school site. Thank you in advance for your support with this matter.



E-Schools

Please can we ask all Parents/Carers to download the E-Schools app so that we can keep you updated and informed at all times about things in school! If you do not know your login details then please contact the school office or email enquiries@isaacnewton-cit.co.uk.



Further information about how to get set up can also be found on our school website.

https://isaacnewton.eschools.co.uk/website/eschools_app_-_parents_help/499102

Reception Places (September 2021)

We hope that everyone who has a child starting school for the first time in September has received information regarding confirmation of their school place from Lincolnshire County Council.



We have been made aware that there are a number of Parents/Carers who did not realise that the deadline for school applications had passed. If you know of anyone who has not yet applied for a school place or who were expecting to be allocated a place here at Isaac Newton then please can you ask them to contact the school office as soon as possible. We can then support them with the application process and hopefully avoid any disappointment- school places for EYFS tend to fill up quickly!

The school office can be contacted on 01476 568616 or at enquiries@isaacnewton-cit.co.uk. Further information can also be found on our school website: https://isaacnewton.eschools.co.uk/web/parents_1/542602

School Fruit

Free fruit is available to ALL children in school FREE OF CHARGE! The government provides children in Key Stage One with free fruit but as a school we feel that ALL children should be entitled to it, so have secured a charitable donation to help us provide this.

Please can you encourage your child to eat at least one piece of school fruit a day and take advantage of this fantastic initiative! As a school we are looking to try and stop all unhealthy snacks at break times and will therefore be



offering children pieces of fruit as an alternative to any unhealthy snacks which we spot. We would appreciate it if you could support us by ensuring that your child does not come to school with unhealthy snacks such as chocolate biscuits, packets of crisps and sweets.

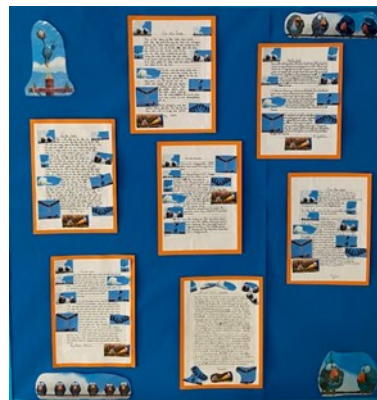
We are also part of the 'magic breakfast' scheme and provide all children with a bagel or gluten-free toast each morning to get their day off to a good start!

Parent Governor Vacancy

We are currently seeking to appoint a new Parent Governor. Mr Heathcote would be delighted to meet with anybody who would like to discuss the role – just book an appointment by calling the office.

School Shoes

Please can we remind parents that school shoes should be plain black (with black soles), without logos. If boots are worn then these should also be plain black. If children need to wear different footwear (for reasons such as medical issues) then please ensure that their class teacher is informed, in writing, as to why this is the case.



School Term Dates:

Term 5:	Monday 19 th April 2021 - Friday 28 th May 2021
<i>Bank Holidays:</i>	<i>Monday 3rd May & Monday 31st May 2021</i>
Term 6:	Monday 7 th June 2021 - Wednesday 21 st July 2021

School Run Safety



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LRSP Education Team update

Traffic around schools has become heavy again recently as schools have returned to normal. Many parents are opting to drive their children to school rather than walking or cycling.

All pupils and parents should be able to safely walk or cycle to and from school if they so choose to. The majority of people drive and park considerately and carefully around schools, however we would like to remind those who may have forgotten or are unsure of the rules.



School Keep Clear Zig Zags (Rule 238 of Highway Code)

The purpose of the markings is to keep school entrances clear to allow all pupils to arrive safely. Drivers should never stop on them, even to drop off or pick up passengers.

Yellow lines (Rule 238 of Highway Code)

Yellow lines are in place for the safety of all road and pavement users.

Remember double yellow lines mean no waiting or parking at any time, including when dropping off and picking up children.

Single yellow lines have the same restrictions within the times indicated on the nearby plate.



School Crossing Patrols

They are employed by Lincolnshire County Council to safely cross children and parents.

Please ensure that you don't park too close to the patrols. This would block their view of the road, also preventing other drivers from seeing the patrol waiting to step out and stop the traffic.

We also ask that you follow instructions given by School Crossing Patrols to drivers and pedestrians.

School Crossing Patrols have the legal right to stop traffic; if they instruct you to stop you must stop.

(Rule 243 taken from the Highway Code)

DO NOT stop or park:

- near a school entrance
- anywhere you would prevent access for Emergency Services
- at or near a bus or tram stop or taxi rank
- on the approach to a level crossing/tramway crossing
- opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- near the brow of a hill or hump bridge
- opposite a traffic island or (if this would cause an obstruction) another parked vehicle
- where you would force other traffic to enter a tram lane
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend
- where you would obstruct cyclists' use of cycle facilities
(except when forced to do so by stationary traffic.)

OBSERVE THE [HIGHWAY CODE](#)
PLEASE PARK AND DRIVE CONSIDERATELY
AROUND SCHOOLS.

Thank you to all parents and carers who are putting the safety of all children first when travelling to and from schools.

You can contact Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership Education team on 01522 805800 or at Staying.alive@lincolnshire.gov.uk