



# The Apple



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## Dear Parents/Carer

It has been another exceptionally busy week here at Isaac Newton. The pupils are continuing to excel and we are delighted with the attitudes being demonstrated by children throughout the school.

We welcomed Mr Booth, a specialist in computing from our own Community Inclusive Trust, to school on Tuesday. Mr Booth held E-Safety lessons for each of the classes from Year 1 to Year 6 in order to ensure that pupils have an up to date knowledge of the ways in which to stay safe online. He was really impressed with the pupils' knowledge and we were delighted with the sessions that he provided. E-safety is an extremely important aspect of school life. It would be worth asking your child about the ways in which he/she can stay safe when using any device that can attach the internet.

On Monday we learned that three children had managed to gain awards in the Willoughby Memorial Open Art Competition including two second places and a "Highly Commended" award. We will have given the awards out in assembly today for those pupils still with us and post them to former pupils who were successful.

On Tuesday and Wednesday we were delighted to welcome Parents and Carers into school for Parents' Evening. Thank you to everyone who attended. Parents' evenings are an extremely important aspect of school life as we seek to ensure that you have a good understanding your child's time at school. In surveys our ability to feedback information always scores well, but not as well as many other areas of school life. If you have any ideas about the ways in which we could improve communication then we would be delighted to hear them.

Over the past week and a half the school Football and Table Tennis Teams have been in action. I am delighted to be able to report that the Table Tennis Team won the area matches and will now represent Lincolnshire Schools against other counties! Both the A and B football team played against Belton last week and both teams won their matches. The girls' football team played brilliantly in the Grantham Schools Tournament yesterday. They won all of their matches on the way to the final of the competition where they were narrowly beaten. A huge congratulations to all pupils who represented the school in these fixtures.

**Paul Hill  
Headteacher**

## Dates for your Diary:

6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Violin Concert
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Foundation Stage Nativity (morning)
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Foundation Stage Nativity (afternoon)
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Fete

## Applying for a place in Reception next year

**Children born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 are due to start Reception in September 2018.**

Don't forget that the window for applying for a place in Reception opens on 13<sup>th</sup> November. If your child is 4 this school year (Sept 17 to August 18) then you need to apply for a place soon! If you would like to come for a visit or know anybody who does then just make an appointment at the school office.

## Christmas Fair Cup Cake Competition

This year we will be holding a cupcake competition at the Christmas Fair. All entries should have 6 cupcakes on a paper plate. There will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes! Please bring entries in on 14<sup>th</sup> December.

We are also collecting donations including

- Christmas food for our hamper
- Wine for the "Water or Wine" stall
- Tombola items
- Sweets
- Children's tombola items

Thank you for your support.

## Guildhall Panto

We are delighted to be able to announce that Max Lygo will be performing as Michael in Peter Pan at the Guildhall. There will be three Michael's so if you want to go on a day when he is performing then you will need to check with the school office.



**English Conversation Club**  
**Tuesday 9:30am - 3pm**  
Free English lessons, individual and group sessions available.  
We can help with A1 and B1 exams.  
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