



The Apple

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to have arrived at Isaac Newton Primary School and am really excited about the future for the school. The welcome that I have received from parents and carers has been wonderful—thank you.

When I accepted the job as Headteacher I did so because I could see that the staff were so committed to bettering the education of the pupils. This view has only grown stronger during my first week here. Whilst the OFSTED report was disappointing we are already addressing the issues that it raised. I am looking forward to reporting on our progress as time goes on.

Thank you to those parents/carers who attended the meeting last night. I will write a feedback letter for those of you who were unable to attend to summarise the main points and will send it out at the beginning of next week. We will continue to hold meetings to keep you informed. Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMI) will be visiting the school regularly to report on our progress and it is our intention to hold a meeting following each of these visits.

I look forward to getting to know you better over the coming months and will be out to the playgrounds in the mornings and evenings as often as possible.

Paul Hill
Headteacher

Emergency Closure/Bad Weather

If it's snowy or icy and you are concerned about coming in then you can check the school website to see if we are open. If we ever have to close we will update the website by 8.00AM in the morning informing you of the closure, we will contact Lincs FM and BBC Radio Lincolnshire and we will also send out a text through Parent Mail.

BBC Radio Lincolnshire 94.9 FM
www.bbc.co.uk/lincolnshire

Lincs FM 96.7 FM in Grantham
www.lincsfm.co.uk/news/school-closures

School website: www.isaacnewton.lincs.sch.uk

Reception Places for September 2014

It is now the time to apply for a reception place at a school, if you want your child to start reception in September 2014. The date of birth for these children will be between 01/09/2009 and 31/08/2010. Even if you want to defer entry until later in the academic year, you will still need to apply now. Lincolnshire parents can pick up an information pack from any Lincolnshire primary school which will provide them with the information they need to apply. They can apply online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions, or ask for a paper application form or make a phone application by contacting the Education Team on 01522 782030. Parents can only apply by using one of these three methods. The closing date is 13 January 2014. If applicants live outside of Lincolnshire then they need to apply to their home Local Authority even if they want a school in Lincolnshire. If you feel that you need support with the application process due to a variety of reasons such as literacy issues or a language barrier please feel free to contact the Education Team on 01522 782030 or email schooladmissions@lincolnshire.gov.uk. You could also pop into the school office.

Dates for your Diary:

Thursday 16th January 2014

Inspire+ Assembly

Wednesday 22nd January 2014

Bike IT assembly

Friday 24th January 2014

No Crossing Patrol

Wednesday 29th January 2014

Bike It Day

Sunday 9th February 2014

Swimarathon 9:00 am

Thursday 13th February 2014

Break for Half term Holiday

Monday 24th February 2014

Return to School

Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th March 2014

Parents' Evening 4:00pm - 7:00pm