

The Apple

The weekly news from Isaac Newton School, Grantham

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Dear Parents/Carers

The last seven days have been a fantastic testament to our school. A huge range of events have taken place and we all have a huge sense of pride about the way in which the children are progressing at this the half way point of the school year.

On Saturday the girls' football team was in action in the county finals. Having won the Grantham Schools Cup they headed to the county finals to play all of the other winners! They played brilliantly, just missing out on a place in the final and finishing 3rd. I am sure you would all agree that this is a huge achievement.

Sunday saw staff, Parents/Carers and pupils team up to take part in the Rotary Club's Swimarathon. It was great to see the huge effort put in by all involved and we are delighted to be able to support the Rotary Club with our sponsor money.



Throughout the week the school doors have been opened to celebrate the work completed by a number of classes this term. From the Stone Age Museum to the Year 1 assembly and Year 2 Planetarium it has been brilliant. Well done to all of the children for their hard work and thank you to everyone who came along! Finally, Mrs Atter is extremely grateful for all of the support as she raises money for Phab kids. We have managed to add an additional £732.60 to her sponsorship and are looking forward to trying to spot her on telly when she runs the marathon.

Paul Hill Headteacher



Gymnastics

On Wednesday ten Year 2 pupils competed in the Grantham Schools' Gymnastics Competition. They did brilliantly and we were extremely proud.

BINGO

We will be having a Bingo evening straight after school on Thursday 10th March in the Studio. It would be brilliant to have a large turnout.

Dates for Your Diary:

22nd Feb Return from half term

3rd March World Book Day

10th March Child & Parent/Carer Bingo

15th March Parents' Evening (later session)

16th March Parents' Evening

18th March Sports Relief

24th March Chocolate Tombola and Second

Hand Uniform Sale in big hall

New School Proposition

I am sure that you are all aware that there is a new estate being built on the North of Barrowby Road (A52) near to the Muddle Go Nowhere. The estate will eventually have 1800 houses and will need to have a Primary School built to ensure that children on the estate are able to attend a local school. In order for a new school to be built applications are made to the Department of Education. The Community Inclusive Trust (of which we are a member) will be applying to run the school which may open in September 2018. Those of you who live to the north of Dysart Road may receive leaflets informing you of a public meeting that will take place at the Eden Hotel, North Parade on 24th February at 5pm. If you would like to attend or have any questions then you can email enquires@citacademies.co.uk to book your place or gain an answer. The proposed school will only take children of Reception age in the first year and will then take Reception age children in each of the following years until it has all year groups from Years R to 6. With pupil numbers increasing so quickly in Grantham this will help to ensure that schools do not become overcrowded and that all pupils have a local school that they are able to attend. The Trust's application for the school is far from guaranteed to go through and in the event that it does it will not affect our school directly. However I feel it is important that all members of the school community are aware of the work of the Trust.

Smoking Near the School Gate

A number of Parents/Carers have been smoking right next to the school gate. We would be grateful if smokers were able to stand well back from the gate in order to ensure that others do not have to walk through the smoke. Thank you.

Returning Swimarathon Sponsor Money

If you haven't yet returned your sponsor money for the swim marathon then don't forget to collect it over the half term break.

World Book Day

This year for World Book Day we are excited to announce that the theme is 'Share with your Bear.'

The children are invited to bring their bear to school on **Thursday 3rd March** and any books with bears in to share on the day. Throughout the day, the children will take part in lots of activities to promote a love for reading. There will also be a competition for the children to take a photograph

of their bear in an unusual place. Prizes will be available. Look out for posters around the School soon.

Footbal

The school football team was in action on Tuesday. In a tense match we managed to gain a 1-1 against Belmont and even rattled their crossbar in the last few minutes! Well done to all who played.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is currently full most mornings. This means that Parents/Carers must book ahead of time in order to ensure their place! Should places be booked and sessions missed on three occasions then the place will be handed over to other children who need the place.

Uniform Swap Shop/Second Hand Uniform Sale

Don't forget that we operate a uniform swap shop/second hand sale each Friday on the Infant Playground. Items can be exchanged or bought for 20p.