



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023

## Happy New Year!!!



Welcome back, everyone. It has been wonderful seeing you all again after the break. I hope you had a restful and enjoyable Christmas (and that you managed to avoid the dreaded bugs that seemed to be doing the rounds!). This newsletter is a very short one since pupils have only been back in school for three days. I have invested more time in the *School Calendars* sections instead.

**The family questionnaires feedback mentioned working families being given more notice for important school events.** We agreed with this, and have taken action to make improvements.

The New Year seems like the perfect time to share our plans for the year ahead. You will see on the next pages that things are organised slightly differently.

- There is a **short-term calendar** for things coming up imminently and up to the end of half term.
- On the following page, there is a **long-term calendar** taking us up to the summer break. I will continue to add to this and intend to share key dates and details (e.g. Christmas performances) very soon to allow you to book time off work and plan for additional childcare if you need to.

In addition to this, I am meeting the family focus group next Friday to discuss other ways that we can improve home-school communication.

# School Calendar (this half term)

Event	Class/Phase	Venue	Date(s)/Time(s)
Year 6 Parent/Carer Evening Bookings Open	Year 6	<a href="https://applegarth.schoolcloud.co.uk/">https://applegarth.schoolcloud.co.uk/</a>	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 4:00pm <i>Bookings close Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 8:00pm</i>
Swimming Gala	Team from Year 5 and 6	Northallerton Leisure Centre	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> January
NSPCC Number Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February
Year 6 Parent/Carer Evening	Mrs H/Mr E and Mrs Slinger	Applegarth Primary School (in-person)	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 3:30pm – 5:00pm (in person) 5:15pm – 6:00pm (online)
Year 6 Parent/Carer Evening	Mrs H/Mr E	Applegarth Primary School (in-person)	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 3:30pm – 5:00pm (in person) 5:15pm – 6:00pm (online)
Break up for Half Term	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February

## Our Safeguarding Team

At school we have five members of staff and a governor who make up our Safeguarding Leadership Team. Mr Peoples is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL); he is the lead person responsible for child protection and safeguarding issues. Mrs Hopkin, Mr Edwards and Mrs Crossley are our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (Deputy DSLs); a deputy DSL supports the DSL in their role safeguarding and child protection. Mrs Jo Burnside is our Safeguarding Link Governor. The role of the Safeguarding Governor is to support the DSL as well as regularly review, ask questions and make suggestions about our safeguarding policies and procedures and to report back to the governing body.

**All staff at Applegarth know that safeguarding is EVERYONE'S responsibility. Find out more on our [Safeguarding Page](#).**

For information about **Online Safety**, visit our dedicated [webpage](#).

You can also report any concerns you have to our [recently-changed welfare email: \[dsl@Applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk\]\(mailto:dsl@Applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk\)](#)



# School Calendar (long term)

Event	Class/Phase	Venue	Date(s)/Time(s)
Reception - Year 5 Parent/Carer Evening Bookings Open	Reception – Year 5	-	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 4:00pm <i>Bookings close Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 8:00pm</i>
Carlton Lodge Family Meeting	Year 5	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 5:00pm – 5:45pm (Provisional)
Reception – Year 5 Parent/Carer Evenings	Reception – Year 5	Applegarth Primary School (in person)	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 3:30pm – 5:00pm (in person) 5:15pm – 6:00pm (online)  Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 3:30pm – 5:00pm (in person) 5:15pm – 6:00pm (online)
Key Stage One SATs	Year 2	Applegarth Primary School	Throughout May <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Key Stage Two SATs Week	Year 6	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Carlton Lodge Residential	Year 5	Carlton Lodge, Carlton Miniott	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May and Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May
Robinwood	Year 6	Robinwood, Alston	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Phonics Screening Check	Year 1	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Multiplication Tables Check	Year 4	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Reception and Key Stage One Sports Day	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30am – 12:00pm
Key Stage Two Sports Day	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30am – 11:30am
Year 6 Leavers Performance	Whole School and Families	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2:00pm – 3:00pm



# STAY SAFE ON NEW DEVICES

Whether you're an internet newbie or a pro at surfing the web, it's always important to keep online safety in mind. We've pulled together a list of top tips to make it easier for you to protect yourself and your devices in the digital world - helping you steer clear of hazards like misleading information and vicious viruses. There's never a bad time to refresh your internet safety knowledge, but it's an especially smart thing to do before you start using any shiny new devices!

SHOW RESPECT TO OTHERS

TELL A TRUSTED ADULT IF SOMETHING UPSETS YOU

DON'T CHAT WITH STRANGERS

BE HONEST WITH PARENTS & CARERS

TAKE BREAKS FROM BEING ONLINE

ASK PERMISSION before downloading anything

AVOID SHARING PRIVATE PHOTOS

Stick to trusted apps

TAKE NOTICE OF AGE RESTRICTIONS

DOUBLE CHECK YOUR NEWS SOURCES

Don't give away personal information

BE SUSPICIOUS OF NEW INFORMATION