



News and events

Friday 13th May

Dear Parents/Carers,

Today in our Celebration Collective Worship we celebrated Lawson (Discoverers) for the value of hope, Holly (Explorers) for the value of friendship and Rhiannon (Shooting Stars) for the value of friendship. Congratulations to them all.



In addition, Year 6 were all celebrated for demonstrating the values of hope and wisdom this week during their SATs. We are extremely proud of how enthusiastic, confident and determined they all have been this week.



Our school parliamentarians received their badges today as well.



Finally, please remember parking on the zig-zag yellow lines outside school is not permitted. Thank you for your support with this.

Best wishes,

Mrs Blake-Thwaite

Important dates for your diary

25th May - Shooting Stars
Royal Family dress up day

27th May - School disco

10th June 3pm - Jubilee
picnic on the school field

1st Thursday of each
month - Pre-loved school
uniform for sale in the
library

The library will be open
from 3:30pm on Thurs
and Fri



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This week's attendance

Highest attendance class:

Voyagers - 98%

Lost learning:

77.5 hours

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

ONLINE SAFETY FOR UNDER 5s

10 Top Tips for Parents and Carers

According to Ofcom's most recent research, a significant proportion of children are already online by the time they start school, with 17% of 5-year-olds owning their own mobile phone and 50% using messaging platforms. As becoming familiar with technology is generally encouraged in younger children – and has been essential for education during the pandemic – it is crucial that trusted adults recognise both the benefits and the risks of infants and toddlers using digital devices. We've compiled our top tips to help the under-5s start their online safety journey.

1 USE DEVICES TOGETHER

This lets you monitor and control what your child is using the device for. It also provides the interaction that supports children's understanding of what they're seeing – allowing them to ask you questions, and so on.

PARENT CODE:

6 BLOCK IN-APP PURCHASES

If your child uses a device that's linked to a payment method (such as a bank card), use the parental controls to block buys from app stores, as well as in-app purchases. That will prevent your child from accidentally spending money while on your device.

2 ACTIVATE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Most digital devices have built-in parental controls that can limit the type of content children have access to. If your little one uses any device (even borrowing yours), it's a good idea to explore what controls the device has and enable them whenever they have access to it.

7 CHOOSE SAFE APPS AND SITES

There are some fantastic apps and platforms that are specifically designed to be safer for children. Always check the PEGI age rating before downloading an app, and test it yourself before allowing your child to use it.

3 MANAGE SCREEN TIME

This can be tricky, especially if your child is interested in a certain video, app or game. Try to agree on some ground rules and get your child into a routine which includes certain times of the day when they go without devices.

8 INVOLVE THE FAMILY

If your toddler has older siblings, it's likely that their rules for device use will be different – and that they'll access content that isn't appropriate for younger ones (a particular worry if they share devices). Encourage the whole family to be good role models and help little ones stay safe online.

4 TALK ABOUT BEING SAFE ONLINE

Just like we teach children about being safe in the real world, we need to educate them about how to stay safe online. Use age-appropriate language to help them understand, and plenty of hand gestures can reinforce what you're telling them.

9 IF IN DOUBT, ASK

The easiest way to find out what your child is doing online is usually just to talk about it with them. Developing an open dialogue at an early age helps them grow up feeling able to talk to you about their digital life – providing opportunities to intervene if you're concerned.

5 SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

Children often learn by watching and copying those around them, and using digital devices is no exception. When you're around your child, try to follow the same rules that you've set for them. Let them see you balancing your time online with interacting with people in real life, too.

10 SUPPORT CREATIVE & ACTIVE PLAY

Physical and creative activities are important for a child's wellbeing, and there are plenty of ways to incorporate technology into that. For example, you could encourage games that require physical movement; dance and sing along to songs your child loves; and follow step-by-step crafting videos.

Meet Our Expert

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School Disco....get your tickets now!

A vibrant poster for a school disco event. The background is dark purple with a large, glowing golden disco ball in the upper right corner. Strings of warm white lights and yellow stars are scattered across the top. At the bottom, a silhouette of a crowd of people is shown with their arms raised in excitement. The text is prominently displayed in the center and bottom sections.

 Friends of
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FOWAS PRESENTS:

SCHOOL DISCO

DJ | DANCING | GAMES | NO PARENTS!

FRIDAY 27TH MAY | KS1 4PM-5PM | KS2 5.15PM-6.15PM
ENTRY INCLUDES FREE SQUASH AND A 'DISCO GLOW STICK' | £3 PER CHILD

*Buy tickets direct from FOWAS as before using the following details:
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Family Badminton Session

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I am passionate about families and building relationships between children and parents

Families Connect Badminton sessions do just that! They are all about families coming together, having fun, being active and playful, learning about each other and strengthening bonds

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- Qualified teacher since 2011
- Licenced Thrive Practitioner
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 - Enhanced DBS certificate
- Safeguarding and Protecting Children
- Public Liability and Professional Indemnity Insurance
 - Mum of two boys!

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More Information

Bring your own rackets or borrow mine
No experience necessary
All badminton ability levels welcome



John of Gaunt sports hall
Sunday 22nd and 29th May
10-11am

£10 per family for up to 4 people. £2 per additional family member

To book a place at a session please get in touch

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Ages 3-15

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