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DON'T FORGET YOUR FIREWORK TICKETS

A message from Mrs Campbell...

It is wonderful to see children using technology across the school and using it with enthusiasm but also with great care. I love watching as headphone wires are painstakingly rolled neatly and put back ready for the next user! A huge thanks to the PTA for their input into this area - Reception are loving their new Beebots and all children are benefitting from our growing resources.

I led a staff meeting recently on online safety and have put together some points below.

Thank you for reading....

- Ø From early years to year 6 what are the noteworthy things you've found about a child's online use both in and out of the classroom? **Using the internet increases learning across all subjects**
- Ø Is there anything that surprises you about children's development online? How quickly they learn new things and how enthusiastic they are!
- Ø What would you say are your top concerns about what children are doing online during this early stage of their development? *Inappropriate contact, inappropriate conduct, inappropriate content, gaining and/or giving access to personal information and passing it on to others, enabling viruses and spyware, being the target of commercialism.*

That they are aware of being online and who is a trusted adult, that they know when to tell, that they don't give out any personal information, that they do not bully, that they are aware of their digital footprint, that they are not online too long - early addiction.

Ø Are there any watch-outs that parents should be aware of?

Clickjacking, sites and apps where children innocently upload video of themselves e.g. Musical.ly Use www.net-aware.org.uk for example, to check out anything you don't know - it changes quickly





Net Aware: Parents and young people review kids' social networks, apps & games www.net-aware.org.uk
From Facebook and Instagram to Snapchat

From Facebook and Instagram to Snapchat and Tumblr a simple no-nonsense guide for parents from NSPCC and O2 to the social media, apps and games that kids use

- Ø What are the concerns that parents report to your school? *The very real danger of bullying and strangers contacting children e.g. using Roblox, if chat and messaging features are not turned off.*
- Ø What is your school policy when it comes to teaching kids how to be safe online? How is that translated to parents? To be sure <u>all children in our care</u> understand the risks and dangers of being online and how to deal with anything that makes them feel uncomfortable. That they know they must tell a trusted adult if they see anything inappropriate. We teach them the appropriate behaviours and critical thinking skills to enable them to remain both safe and legal when using the internet and related technologies, in and beyond the context of the classroom.

We have online safety meetings for parents to come to, children from Y2 up are asked to discuss guides with their parents and then sign them, parents and children all sign and we check that <u>all families</u> have done this.

- Ø What would be your three top tips to parents to help them play an active role in their child's digital life and keep them safe?
 - 1. Think of the internet like London. Although wonderful to visit, we should always know exactly where our children are, who they are with, what the main risks and dangers are, where the 'safe' and best places are and always to be with young children to guide them.
 - 2. Have agreed house rules. Have time limits, age ratings must be followed, all devices in a basket after a certain time, no technology in bedrooms etc.
 - 3. Set parental controls. Check NSPCC online safety website and use free helpline 0808 800 5002 for advice and age ratings.

SPECIAL HALF TERMLY AWARDS

RECEPTION Alisa YEAR 1 Mia YEAR 2 **George C**



SPECIAL AWARDS

The following pupils have been awarded Special Awards from Mrs Foulger (certificates to be awarded after half term) Ava and Margaret (3) for singing Lily (5M) for spelling

INFORMATION/REMINDERS

- PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN HOLIDAY DATES. **DUE TO STAFF TRAINING WITH THE** WISHFORD SCHOOLS THERE WILL INSET DAYS ON MONDAY 7TH AND TUESDAY 8TH
- There will no longer be an Inset Day on
- Open Evening is on Monday 12th November
- Monday 5th November
- Travelling books arrive on Tuesday 6th November
- not been correct. We have a stand-in Chef at the moment, but rest assured the food is still brilliant!
- child brings in a play coat, wellies and a spare pair of tracksuit bottoms to protect their new uniform. No child will be allowed on the field without them!
- Please make a note of the Carol Service date as this is a compulsory event for all Prep children

DIARY DATES

OCTOBER

HOLIDAY CLUB

Monday 29th to Friday 2nd Nov 8am - 6.00pm

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 6th Travelling Books for 1 week Saturday 10th **PTA Fireworks Evening** Monday 12th Parents' Evening Wednesday 14th **School Council**

Monday 19th St David's Dash Y3 & Y4 Friday 23rd PTA 'own-clothes' bring a

bottle day

DECEMBER

Wednesday 5th Y6 First Lego League Tournament

Friday 7th Choir concert at

St John's Church

Saturday 8th **PTA Christmas Fair** Monday 10th 1.30pm Y1 and Y2

Christmas Production

Tuesday 11th 9.30am Y1 and Y2

Christmas Production

1.30pm Prep to The Churchill

Panto

Wednesday 12th **Pre-Prep Messy Christmas**

Friday 14th **Prep Carol Service**

(for all Prep pupils)

Monday 17th 2.00pm Pre Prep Party

2.00pm Y5 and Y6

Focus, St John's Eden Park

Tuesday 18th 9.30am EYFS Production

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 19th 11.30am Term Ends

11.30am to 3.30pm: Optional lunch and film afternoon

HOLIDAY CLUB

Thursday 20th and Friday 21st December

8am - 6.00pm

JANUARY

Monday 7th **Inset Day** Tuesday 8th **Inset Day**

Wednesday 9th Start of Spring Term

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEBSITE CALENDAR

- **JANUARY**
- Monday 25th February
- Sign-up sheets will be available from 3pm on
- Apologies if the menus on the website have
- Please can all children return to school in winter uniform including grey socks or tights - no WHITE
- After half term can you please ensure your

FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER at 7.00pm

INTER HOUSE STEAM DAY

A great time has been had by all today from Pre-Reception to Year 6. Thank you to Mr Hunter and all the staff who arranged such exciting activities. Full report next time.











HAVE A GREAT HALF TERM HOLIDAY