

Walpole Cross Keys Primary School

Weekly Newsletter - 28th June 2024



We had a very active week this week- Some of our Yr 5/6 pupils did their Bikability training- well done to those that took part and passed levels 1 and 2 in this training.

On Thursday Yrs 1/2 went to the Active kids festival at Lynnsport, they all had a lovely day and enjoyed joining in with the various activities on offer and on Friday, St Clements High School hosted the Top Link festival for our EYFS/KS1 pupils. It was a lovely day with many different activities set up for them to take part in and they all did brilliantly-well done!

Staffing News: Sadly we will be saying goodbye to two of our wonderful staff members at the end of this term.

Mrs Anu will be leaving us as she has gained a new position in another school. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work over the last few years, she will be very missed by colleagues and pupils alike. We wish her all the best for the future - her new school will be lucky to have her.

Mrs Mead will also be leaving us as she is retiring. She has worked at the school for 30 years! In this time she has taken her hand to a lot of the roles within the school, including starting up the Ladybirds playgroup which is still thriving to this day, so I think she definitely deserves a very well earned relaxing retirement! It has been a privilege to work with her and we will all be very sad to see her go. We would like to thank her for everything she has done for the school. I'm sure many of you, like us have some wonderful memories of her from over the years and I'm sure you will all join us in wishing her the very best for her retirement.

As always, we would like to ensure that your **experience** at Walpole Cross Keys Primary is a **positive** one. If you have any concerns, in the first instance please telephone, email the school office or speak with the class teacher.

Best Wishes

Ms J. Borley, Executive Head Teacher

W/C 1st July...

Monday

- Class 3 dance rehearsals *wear PE kits*
- Brilliant Club graduation
- Yoga and Mindfulness *Selected pupils*
- Lunchtime table tennis club

Tuesday

- Yr 5 Gressenhall trip
- Music lessons *instruments*
- Lunchtime reading club
- Trust community music event

Wednesday

- Lunchtime golf club

Thursday

- Yr 5 Primary Maths challenge *selected pupils*
- Yr 6 Transition day at St Clements
- Move up day
- Lunchtime table tennis club
- Yrs R-3 PE day *wear PE kits*
- Starter band practice
- Football club 3:15pm-4:15pm *bookings*
- WNAT outdoor Summer singing

Friday

- Apprentice day-Yrs 2-6

Attendance

Reception: 87.5%

Year 1: 100%

Year 2: 100%

Year 3: 96.67%

Year 4: 97.5%

Year 5: 82.86%

Year 6: 96.25%

Whole school: 94.53%

Attendance bear winners: Class 2



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- ✓ Yr 5 and 6 Gressenhall trip- Packed lunch needed for day- home or order on parentpay
- ✓ Yr 6 Transition day- Please Consent on Parentpay
- ✓ YrsR&1 little city workshop 8/7: Consent & contribution on ParentPay by 1st July.
- ✓ Yr 5 Opportunity day- Please consent on Parentpay

✓ Yr 4-6 Dance Festival- please hand in consent form for trip to consent to the rehearsal during the school day and to confirm if your child will or will not be taking part- Thank you

Diary Dates

Please be aware that dates are for guidance only and are subject to change

Monday 1st July	Brilliant Club Graduation event *selected pupils*
Tuesday 2nd July	Yrs5&6 Gressenhall WNAT Primary MITI Concert *Selected pupils- please return slip to school*
Thursday 4th July	Yr6 St Clements transition day *Please consent on Parentpay* MOVE UP DAY - ALL YEARS Yr5 Primary Maths Challenge *consent on ParentPay by 7th June*
	WANT Outdoor Summer concert- Singing concert *Class 3*
Friday 5th July	Apprentice day
Sunday 7th to Wednesday 10th July	Yr6 Hilltop residential **Payments Due by 17th June*
Monday 8th July	YrsR&1 little city workshop *consent & contribution on ParentPay by 1st July*
Tuesday 9th July	Yr5 St Clements opportunity day-Letter sent- *Permission on Parentpay ASAP*
Tuesday 16th July	Yrs4-6 WNAT dance festival *Letter sent- Please hand in consent slip ASAP*
	Special Olympic Lunch- Flyer attached *No other meals will be available on this day* Please book as normal on Parentpay
Friday 19th July	Year 6 leavers assembly @ 11am *Yr6 families only*
Monday 22nd July to Tuesday 3rd September	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR SUMMER BREAK

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WEEK 2 MENU

WEEKS: 22/04, 13/05, 10/06, 01/07, 02/09, 23/09, 14/10



STREET FEAST

MONDAY

Beef Bolognese served with Penne Pasta, Garlic & Herb Bread, Seasonal Vegetables or Mixed Salad

MAIN MEAL

TUESDAY

Chicken Nuggets served with Potato Wedges and Garden Peas

Vegetable Bolognese served with Penne Pasta, Garlic & Herb Bread, Seasonal Vegetables or Mixed Salad

MEAT FREE

Veggie Nuggets served with Potato Wedges and Garden Peas

WEDNESDAY

Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel served with Wholemeal Vegetable Rice & Mixed Salad

Vegetable Korma served with Wholemeal Rice and Naan Finger & Mixed Vegetables

THURSDAY

Pork Sausage served with Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Carrots, Broccoli & Gravy

Quorn Sausage served with Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Carrots & Broccoli

FRIDAY

Fish Fingers served with Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans

Vegan Sausage Roll served with Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans

Jacket Potato with Choice of Toppings served with Fresh Salad

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Choice of Sandwich Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo Sandwich Tortilla Chips Duo of Salad Sticks

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Chocolate Shortbread with Orange Wedge Fresh Fruit Pot

DESSERTS

Cornflake Tart Fresh Fruit Pot

Sticky Toffee Apple Cake Fresh Fruit Pot

Ice Cream Thursday Vanilla Ice-Cream & Fruit Sauce Fresh Fruit Pot

Iced School Cake Fresh Fruit Pot

Making lunchtime the highlight of your day

If your child would like any school lunches please order for the week using ParentPay, the deadline for orders is midnight on Sunday. If you miss the deadline please email the

OLYMPIC LUNCH



TUESDAY 16TH JULY

**Pork Sausage or
Quorn Vegan Sausage
Chips**

Baked Beans

Orange or Blackcurrant Squash

**Olympic Chocolate Cup Cake
Fresh Fruit Pot**

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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

YOUTUBE

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Almost anyone with an internet connection knows YouTube. The Google-owned site lets anyone upload videos to be shared around the world, and as a result, it's an incredible resource with instant free access to material covering every conceivable topic. But with over 500 hours of video uploaded every minute, not all of it will be appropriate for young eyes.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is flagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate content. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but it can also lead to binge-watching and screen addiction – especially if 'auto-play' is active. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

RADICALISATION

YouTube's algorithm tends to promote content that's getting the most traffic – a lot of which can be quite extreme. This can be fine for harmless topics, but YouTube isn't regulated like television, and that means that conspiracy theories, fake news and hateful ideologies can occasionally surface to warp impressionable minds all too easily. Remember – the more they watch, the more they'll be recommended.

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as message other users directly. Connecting with strangers online can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, cyberbullying and – in the worst cases – online predators. If a child is creating content themselves, this can increase the likelihood of them becoming a target.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends and challenges, some of which are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might want to try them out. Most challenges tend to be safe, but many others may cause physical or emotional harm. Children who watch or copy them. The painful 'salt and ice challenge' – where people use these two ingredients to burn their skin – is just one of many examples.

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

The comments sections of popular content creators regularly have scammers posing as that influencer, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and often offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users aren't who they claim to be.

Advice for Parents & Educators

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

For older children, Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate material (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence, and sexual content) to underage viewers. To prevent children from chancing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that they use to access YouTube. It's worth also turning the auto-play feature off, to prevent YouTube's algorithm automatically recommending something inappropriate.



TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows parents and carers to monitor what their child is watching, uploading, and sharing with other users. It will also display their recently watched videos, searches, and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives a parent or carer oversight of how their child uses sites like YouTube and helps to ensure that they are only accessing appropriate content.



MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them under 18. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course. You may want to keep an eye on how children interact with this material – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand what they're interested in. Remember that creators often share content outside of YouTube, so don't ignore their web presence elsewhere!



CONSIDER YOUTUBE KIDS

It's possible to sidestep most inappropriate content completely via Google's own YouTube Kids app for Android handsets and iPhone. This lets you filter content by 'preschool' (4 and under), 'younger' (ages 5 to 8) and 'older' (ages 9 to 12). This isn't a perfect substitute for personal supervision, as the app's filtering system is automated, and Google can't manually review all videos.

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos as 'private' or 'unlisted' – so they could be shared exclusively with family and friends, for example. Comments on videos can also be disabled and channels that a child is subscribed to can be hidden. If the child is only uploading videos set as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.



LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases. For example, users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch. If you'd like to avoid children purchasing content online, limit their access to online payment methods. Many parents have discovered the hard way that a child happily consuming a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!



Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard and The New Statesman.



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