# **NEWSLETTER** 26TH JANUARY 2024

SPRING TERM | WEEK 3

Inspiring all to
"live life in all its fullness"\*
so that we may look back
with pride and move
forward with confidence.
\*(John 10:10)

Dear Families.

We hope you are doing well after another positive week in school. There has been a lot happening in school and continually lots to celebrate.

Values: After some printing issues (!) our 'Values Passports' are being sent home with the children on Monday. Each term we will focus on one of our 6 School Values. This term is Hope - there are suggestions within the passport for how to show the value of Hope at home, or when you're out and about. If the children show the value, please note it down at home, and then children will bring their Values Passport into school. They will then be awarded their values badge which they can wear on their tie, or attach to their school bag etc. Because of the introduction at this point in the year, over time, we are encouraging the everyone to show the value of Friendship and Respect (Term 1 and 2) to also earn their badge for those as well. Next term, we will focus on Compassion to bring ourselves in line!

**Parents evening:** From the results of the survey conducted last term, most families were in favour of the face-to-face option. We have taken this feedback, and our teachers will be available on both evenings on the  $6^{th}$  and  $8^{th}$  Feb from 15:50 to 18:30.

Have a great weekend and see you all next week,

Mr Reed

Dates for your diary

31<sup>st</sup> Jan – Carbon Monoxide Awareness Y2 & Y3

6th Feb – Parents Evening

8th Feb – Parents Evening

9<sup>th</sup> Feb – Carbon Monoxide Awareness Y5 & Y6

13<sup>th</sup> Feb – Y2 Trip to Oakham Museum

15<sup>th</sup> Feb – Woolsthorpe Class Assembly @ 3pm

16<sup>th</sup> Feb – Break up for Half Term

27th Feb – Start of Term 4



# **ATTENDANCE**

Class	YTD %
Belvoir	96.7%
Belton	97.8%
Rockingham	97.1%
Burghley	98.3%
Woolsthorpe	97.9%
Tolethorpe	93.5%
Hambleton	92.9%

Our overall school attendance this week is 96.29% which is above the national average and we are always striving to be the best that we can be.

Well done to Burghley Class who won the Attendance Trophy with 98.3% attendance for all.

Thank you for the continued communication and co-operation with the different procedures in place.

## STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the children awarded Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly this morning.



Belvoir	Luna
Belton	Harry H
Rockingham	Isabelle
Burghley	Skye
Woolsthorpe	Orla
Tolethorpe	Isla
Hambleton	Isabelle







# Online Safety Newsletter January 2024

### WhatsApp

You must be at least 16 years old to register for and use WhatsApp. WhatsApp is a free messaging app that allows you to send messages, voice notes, photos and videos.

#### What should I be aware of?

Group chats: One of the key features is the group chat function. Everybody in the group, even if they are not one of your child's phone contacts, will be able to see all messages within that group. If your child is added to a group with someone that they have previously blocked, that person can still see their messages and send them messages within the group chat. In settings, you can change who can add your child to groups. You can leave a group chat at any point so talk to your child and encourage them to leave any chat that makes them feel uncomfortable.

Location sharing: you can share your location on WhatsApp. Talk to your child about when this would be appropriate to use but also the potential danger of sharing their location, for example with strangers.

Blocking/Reporting: Show your child how to block and report other users or inappropriate content. You can find out how to do it based on your child's device here:

https://faq.whatsapp.com/11424817 66359885/

#### **Further information**

NSPCC provide further advice and tips to help keep your child safe: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/

## **New devices**

If your child has a new device, have you set up parental controls?



#### Consoles

All consoles offer parental controls such as limiting the time spent on the device or restricting who your child can communicate with. Find out the specific settings below:

- PlayStation: <a href="https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/psn-safety-parents-guide/">https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/psn-safety-parents-guide/</a>
- Xbox: <a href="https://www.xbox.com/en-GB/family-hub">https://www.xbox.com/en-GB/family-hub</a>
- Nintendo Switch:

https://www.nintendo.co.uk/Hardware/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls-1183145.html



#### Mobiles/Tablets

You can set up parental controls and restrictions on most mobile devices, which can limit what your child can access. Additionally, make sure appropriate settings are applied on the apps your child is using.

- Apple devices: <a href="https://www.apple.com/uk/families/">https://www.apple.com/uk/families/</a>
- · Android devices: https://families.google/familylink/

#### Further information

Internet Matters provide a checklist here: <a href="https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/e-safety-checklist-getting-your-kids-tech-devices-set-up-safe">https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/e-safety-checklist-getting-your-kids-tech-devices-set-up-safe</a>

#### LEGO Fortnite - PEGI 7

Lego Fortnite is free to play (in game purchases are available though). The game has been rated as PEGI 7, meaning that the content is suitable for children over the age of 7. However, you should be aware that this game can be played with up to seven people (or solo). Lego Fortnite is only accessible on Fortnite, so you must download the main game. When setting up an account, if your child is under the age of 13, then they will be given a 'cabined account,' therefore certain features will be disabled (such as communicating with other players) unless you override them.

Please ensure you set the parental controls as appropriate for your child, we also recommend setting the appropriate settings on the console itself.

There are two worlds available - Survival or Sandbox, you can find out more about each world here so you can decide which would be best for your child: https://www.lego.com/en-gb/themes/fortnite/lego-fortnite-parents-guide

Users of this guide do so at their own discretion. No liability is entered into.

Current as of the date released 01.01.24.





## YouTube

YouTube is intended for users over the age of 13 (however, children of all ages may use the Service and YouTube Kids if enabled by a parent/legal guardian).

#### What if my child is under the age of 13?

If your child is under the age of 13 then your child should use either YouTube Kids or a Supervised Account. Which option you choose, will depend on your child's age and your requirements.

- YouTube Kids this is a separate app that includes a smaller selection of videos based on the age you select:
  - Preschool (ages four and under)
  - Younger (ages 5–8)
  - Older (ages 9–12)
- Supervised accounts this is a parent-managed version of YouTube. You
  can select one of the following options, again depending on your child's age
  and your requirements:
  - Explore Generally for viewers aged 9+.
  - Explore more Generally for viewers aged 13+
  - Most of YouTube This setting includes almost everything on YouTube except for videos marked as 18+ and other videos that may not be appropriate for viewers using supervised experiences.

Google have created a table to show the differences between YouTube Kids and a Supervised account to help in your decision:

https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/10315420

#### Posting videos

You should be over 13 to post videos. If your child does post videos on YouTube, ensure they understand what information they should keep private and what to do if they receive negative comments. Talk to them about the different settings available -

- 1. Public: anyone can view the video.
- Private: video can only be viewed by users that you select.
- Unlisted: only people who have the link to the video can view it.
   YouTube have produced these safety tips for teens when posting content: https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/2802244

#### How can I make YouTube safer?

- Explore YouTube together and see what they like to watch. Make sure
  your child understands that they can talk to you if they see anything that
  makes them feel uncomfortable online.
- Restricted mode is an additional setting (when logged in via a Google account) to restrict the availability of mature content.



## A Guide to the Online Safety Bill

The Online Safety Bill is a new set of laws to protect people online. The laws will make social media companies more responsible for the safety of their users on their platforms. The Government have created a guide to the new laws detailing how the laws will protect children and adults. For example, the new laws mean social media companies will have to show how they are enforcing age limits.

### YouTube Content Warning

The INEQE Safeguarding Group have published a report warning about the YouTube cartoon series called Jeffy. Due to the content being animated, viewers may believe that it is suitable for children to watch when in fact the content is inappropriate. You can find out more here:

#### **World Events**

There are a lot of distressing events happening around the world, which your child may see online. Childnet have published an article discussing how you can support your child when they see something worrying or upsetting online. The article also directs you to other organisations that you can contact if you require further help and support:

https://www.childnet.com/blog/navi gating-violent-online-content-fromglobal-events/





# **LOCAL EVENTS**

Pancake Party!

Crafts, games, drama and songs for all ages
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 10.00 – 12.30 (with lunch)

Ryhall Methodist Church, Mill Lane, Ryhall

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Donations welcome on the day.

To find out more, or to book places, please

email: messychurchryhall@gmail.com

or text/call: 07592 625247

















Dental Chews - Dog biscuits (Harrington or Bonio) - Tinned dog meat or tripe (Butchers brand) - Schmackos



Please take donations to the school office



#### **Worried About A Child?**

Should you have any concerns about a child, please speak to any member of school staff who can, where required, direct you to the relevant people.

Our staff trained to deal with potential safeguarding concerns and worries are:

- Mr A Reed (Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs D Jesson (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs C Hicks (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs E Jagger (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- Mrs L Garwood (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)