



National Sandwich Day. 3rd November 2023

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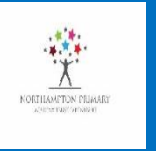


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Dear Parents and Carers.

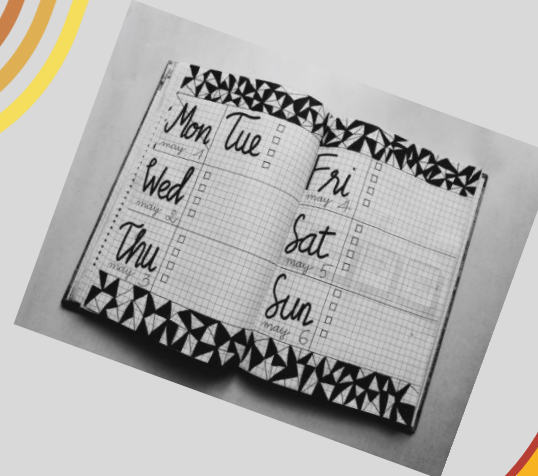
The start to the term has been a great one with our whole school unit based on the Carnival of the Animals started and completed in four days! The whole school have enjoyed a writing, art and music unit based on The Carnival of the Animals by Saint Saens, performed by The Kanneh Mason family. Each year group chose an animal from the carnival and gathered rich vocabulary to describe them. In addition, they created similes and metaphors. They then produced a poem as a final written piece, along with a pencil sketch or watercolour piece of their animal. The final outcomes are stunning, and every child is extremely proud of their work, as we all are! This has been a superb start to the new term, and we are all looking forward to coming weeks ahead for more wonderful teaching and learning, along with some exciting experiences.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Fennelly

Our Autumn Term, Dates for your

diary





Simon de Senlis Primary Weekly Update – 3rd November 2023



Date	Year group	Event
1st - 10th November	Whole School	Royal British Legion. Poppy sales in class. Snap bands available in the main foyer after school, next week?
8th – 9th November	Year 2, Year 3, year 4 & Year 5	Life Education visit school.
9th November	Year 1	Walk around our local area.
9th November	Year 4	Rainforest Roadshow.
9th November	Year 4 at 3:20pm	West Runton residential Parents Meeting.
10th November	Year 6	Remembrance Event
13th – 17th November	Whole School	Anti-bullying week Odd Socks Day- Monday only. No donations required.
16th November	Prospective Parents September 2024	Open evening for prospective Parents for September 2024 at 6pm.
17th November	Whole School	Mufti day for Children in Need. Donations, if you would like to, via Just giving, opens 8th Nov – 21st Nov.
17th November	Assembly for Year 4 parents KS1 – 10:45am to 11:15am KS2 – 9:30am to 10:30am	Assembly NMPAT Woodwind Quintet.
21st November	Whole School	Flu Vaccinations.

Date	Year group	Event
1st December	Whole School	Christmas Colour Hamper donations accepted with Thanks. Tickets go on sale on ParentMail.
4th December	The Players. Drama club.	Costume deadline. In a named bag please and to be kept in school.
4th December	Whole School	This is the final week of Clubs for this term.
5th December	Prospective Parents September 2024	Open Morning 09:30 for prospective parents 2024.
11th December	The Player. Drama Club.	Parents and Families. Tickets available via ParentMail from 31.10.23. 3 tickets per Child
13th December	Year 5	National Space Centre.
14th December	Whole School	Dolce Christmas Lunch
20th December	Whole School	Christmas raffle draw
20th December	Whole School. 1pm.	Christmas Party. Mufti day
20th December	Whole School	Break up for the Festive period
4th January	Whole School	School re-opens for Children
15th January	All Parents	Simon Aston Online Safety Workshop for parents 8:45 – 9:45am

Simon de Senlis

Christmas Performances 2023





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Year Group	Date	Time	Location	Tickets
Reception	7th December 8th December	1:30pm 09:30am	School Hall	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 3 Tickets per child
Year 1	7th December 8th December	2:30pm 10:30am	School Hall	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 3 Tickets per child
Year 2	7th December 8th December	2pm 10:00am	School Hall	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 3 Tickets per child
Year 3	12th December	2pm	School Hall	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 3 Tickets per child
Year 4	12th December	09:30am	School Hall	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 3 Tickets per child
Year 5	15th December	11:15am	St Benedicts Church	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 2 Tickets per child
Year 6	15th December	09:45am	St Benedicts Church	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 2 Tickets per child
Wiggins	14th December	2:15pm	Wiggins Class-room	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 3 Tickets per child
Robinson	13th December	2:30pm	Robinson Class-room	Tickets available on ParentMail 31.10.23. 2 Tickets per child



Enjoy failure and learn from it. You can never learn from success.

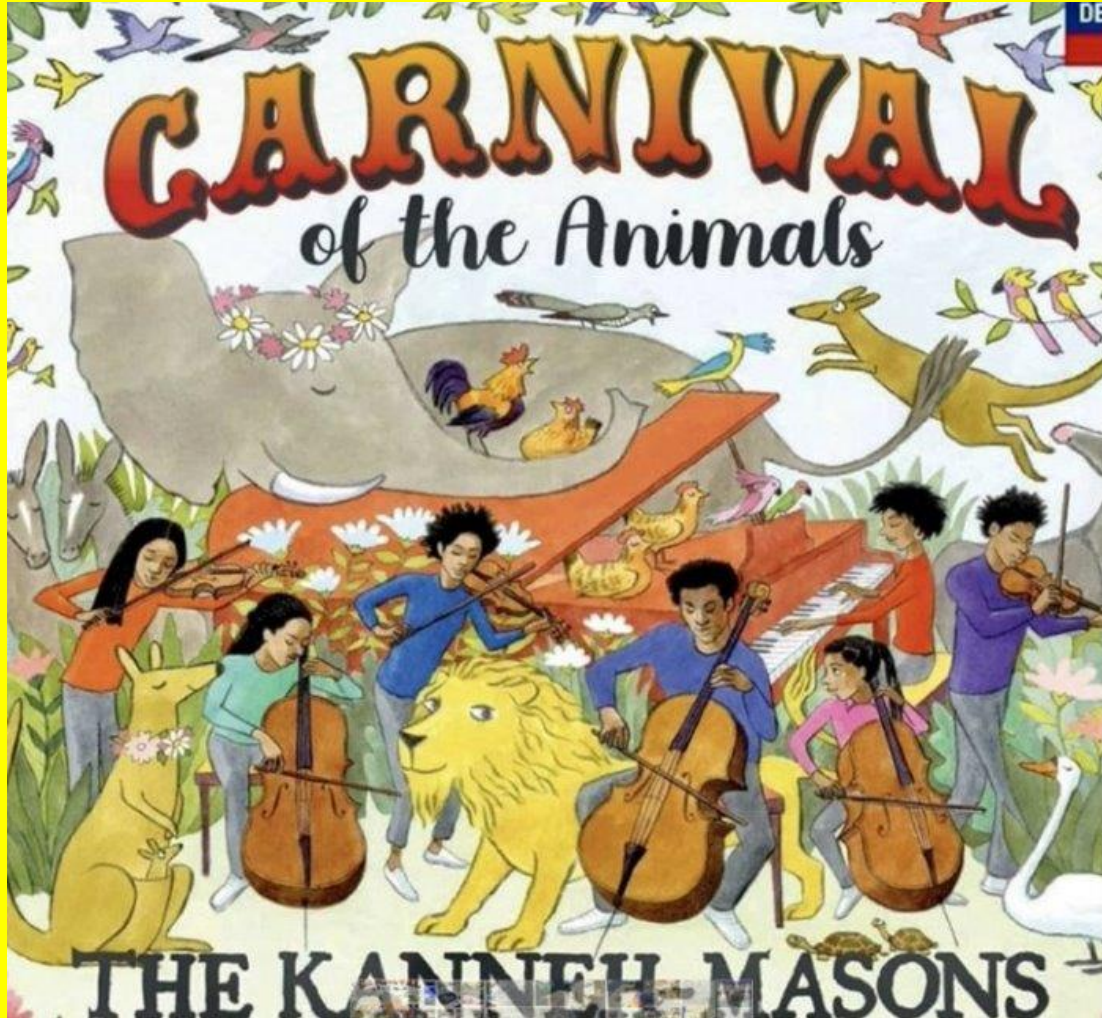
(James Dyson)

From your final pieces this week, you've learned to believe in yourself, and you have achieved so much!

Today we took inspiration from James Dyson and how he took time to develop the prototype for his vacuum cleaner, making over 3000 adaptations before he was happy with the end result. We too, know that we will sometimes need to adapt, edit and develop our work until it is correct and that's ok. We will always learn from this and succeed.

This week, the whole school have enjoyed a writing, art and music unit based on The Carnival of the Animals by Saint Saens, performed by The Kanneh Mason family. Each year group chose an animal from the carnival and gathered rich vocabulary to describe them. In addition, they created similes and metaphors. They then produced a poem as a final written piece, along with a pencil sketch or watercolour piece of their animal. If you would like to watch and listen to the Carnival of the Animals with the Kanneh Masons, click on the link below.

[🦩 Saint-Saëns: Carnival of the Animals - Kanneh-Masons \(With Narration\) \[Proms 2021 - Family Prom\] - Bing video](#)



This Anti-Bullying Week, let's make a noise about bullying.

MAKE A
NOISE
ABOUT
BULLYING

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

ANTI-BULLYING
WEEK 2023

from Monday 13th to
Friday 17th November

ODD SOCKS
DAY 2023

Monday 13th November



#OddSocksDay

#MakeANoise

Mrs Cotterill says....



The NSCP website has many resources that can offer support and guidance to parents around online safety at home.

This includes specific information around TikTok and gaming, alongside online safety agreements that can be put in place between parents and children at home. Please see the link below to take you to this support.

[Online Safety Advice - Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Board \(northamptonshirescb.org.uk\)](https://northamptonshirescb.org.uk)

Online Safety Advice

Important information for parents and professionals around online safety.

Online safety agreements work very well if children or young people are doing dangerous things online or you are concerned with the amount of time your child may be spending online and what they are doing during this period.

Please see our current guides below which will be added to during the coming months.

Online Safety - Gaming and Social Media

Online Safety Agreements

Online Safety - Tik Tok

Online Safety Advice Sheet

Online Safety - Online Safety and Wellbeing Teaching Resources

Simon Aston has put a number of online safety and wellbeing resources on Google classroom, the resources are aimed at parents, professionals and schools. He had made 3 videos to go with the resources. In order to access the resources you can download the Google classroom app or access them via the internet. You will need a code to access the resources which is: g7rey75



Mrs Cotterill says....

Attendance reminder

Following the NPAT attendance policy, if your child's attendance has dropped below 96%, you may receive a letter sharing this with you this week. This is an NPAT letter and if you receive one of these, you do not need to respond to school at this stage.

If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to phone the school office or organise a meeting with myself directly.

Lates reminder

Any child that arrives after 8.45am but before 9.15am is marked with an 'L' code which is classed as 'late before the register closes'. If a child arrives at school after 9.15am they are then marked with a 'U' code which is classed as 'unauthorised absence'.

Lessons begin at 8.45am with morning tasks in all classrooms and as we know a prompt start in the mornings has huge benefits on a child's learning. Unfortunately, repeated lateness can mean children missing vital input required for the day ahead.

Mrs Cotterill says....



SPENCER CONTACT'S THE BIG SALE!

Monday 20th to Saturday 25th November

10:00am – 4:00pm at Spencer Contact

Gladstone Close, Northampton, NN5 7AY (Next door to Screwfix)

**Come along more than once
& grab yourself a bargain!**

**Stock will be replenished daily but the sale
will only continue as long as items are available**

★Admission: 50p ★Limited free parking★

★Refreshments also available★

**Christmas
items**

Ornaments



Furniture



**Keep an eye on our Facebook page
for further updates and photos**



Any questions? Call us on 01604 587589 or visit our website: www.spencercontact.com

New Ways November 2023

MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month

2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way

3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you

4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community

5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel

6 Try out a new way of being physically active

7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire

8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week

9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"

10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea

11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way

12 Find out something new about someone you care about

13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax

14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about

15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."

16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective

17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself

18 Connect with someone from a different generation

19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site

20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before

21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them

22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them

23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love

24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently

25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show

27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it

28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card

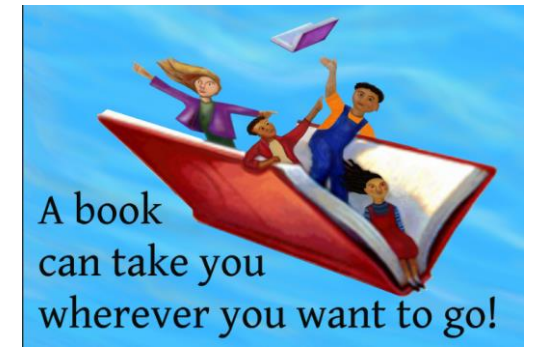
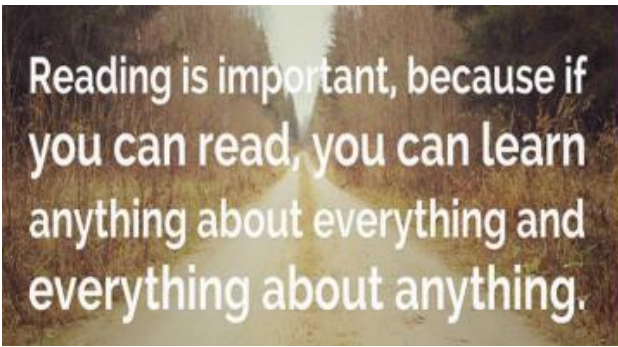
29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen

30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



We are looking for people who are able to offer 1 or 2 hours a week to volunteer in school. We primarily need people to listen to children read but may also ask you to help with art activities and other group work.

What we need from you: 1 or 2 hours per week of your time.

An application pack and DBS check completed prior to coming into school.

What we can offer you: A warm, welcoming environment where your donation of time is incredibly

appreciated.

Fantastic children to work with.

A sense of satisfaction that you are making a difference.

Please email jennifer.deboard@simondesensilis.org if you would like to chat about what it entails or to volunteer.

THIS WEEK IN ASSEMBLY

In assembly this week, we realised that November is a month to remember. In our ks1 assembly, we revisited the story of The Gunpowder Plot and talked about why we have a bonfire and fireworks on November 5th. In ks2, we remembered the antics of Guy Fawkes and his friends and also learned a little more about Remembrance Day in preparation for the Year 6 Remembrance assembly next week. We reflected on the best ways to solve a dispute and how this might look on our school playground.



STAY SAFE WITH THE SPARKS

As autumn arrives, you may be tempted to hold your own bonfire or fireworks display. It's always safer to go to an official display, but remember the following advice if you do hold your own.

Fireworks are fun but pose a danger if mishandled or misused. Make sure you

- Follow manufacturer instructions carefully and read them in the day or by torchlight, never a naked flame
- Never go back to a firework once it has been lit, and never throw a firework or put it in your pocket
- Light fireworks at arm's length, using a safety firework lighter or fuse wick, and stand well back
- Collect fireworks after a display with care. Douse them with water and dispose of them properly in a metal container

Sparklers can reach temperatures of 100°C, so stay safe by ensuring you:

- Always wear gloves, preferably leather ones
- Supervise children with sparklers and don't give one to children under the age of five
- Hold sparklers at an arm's length, and don't wave them near other people
- Put used sparklers into a bucket of sand or water

Bonfires are a hazard at any time of the year. Make sure you:

- Build them well away from houses, garages, sheds, fences, overhead cables, trees and shrubs
- Never use flammable liquids to light the fire such as paraffin or petrol, and don't burn furniture, aerosols or bottles
- Never leave a bonfire unsupervised - especially around children
- Pour water on embers before leaving

And always remember:

- Have a bucket of water, garden hose or fire extinguisher ready and on standby
- Never drink alcohol when in charge of a bonfire or fireworks display

Follow these safety tips and enjoy a safe time this bonfire night.
Find out more by visiting
www.northantsfire.gov.uk
[@NorthantsFire](https://twitter.com/NorthantsFire)



Non-Fiction November 2023

Every year, the National Literacy Trust celebrates Non-Fiction November.

This year, the theme is 'Wonderful Water'.

Their research has found that *'providing children with the opportunity to read and explore non-fiction plays a vital role in helping them to learn about their world, as well as fostering reading for pleasure.'*

Here are a few suggested books that you might like to read on the theme of water.

Protecting the Planet: Ice Journey of a Polar Bear
Martin Jenkins, illustrated by Lou Baker-Smith

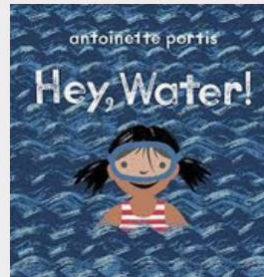


Publishing in November 2023, this beautifully illustrated book looks at how polar bears are coping with climate change and how we can help them.

The Rhythm of the Rain
Grahame Baker-Smith



Although not a poem, this gorgeous picture book is one not to be missed! A stunning celebration of the water cycle.



A young girl explores her environment and finds that water is everywhere. At the end of the book, there is additional factual information. A wonderful way to encourage conversations about the importance of water!

The Big Book of the Blue
Yuval Zommer



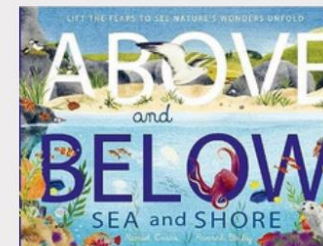
One of the 'Big Book of...' series, 'The Big Book of the Blue' combines stunning illustrations with plenty of information offered in an appealing, informal style.

One Day on our Blue Planet... in the Ocean
Ella Bailey



Follow the adventures of a bottle-nosed dolphin calf as she explores the Pacific Ocean with her mother, meeting many fascinating creatures. 'In the Antarctic' (ISBN: 978-1912497096) is another title in this charming series.

Above and Below: Sea and Shore
Harriet Evans and Hannah Bailey



Exploring the incredible plants and creatures which live beneath the waves, this is a perfect book for sharing.

Simon de Senlis Primary School



Reception Places Sept 2024

We invite you to visit our amazing school, to hear about our ethos and see our wonderful staff and children in our engaging learning environment.

September 28th 2023 at 6:00pm | October 9th 2023 at 9:30am

November 16th 2023 at 6:00pm | December 5th 2023 at 9:30am

January 8th 2024 at 6:00pm

Book your place at: www.simondesenlis.org



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School Mental Health Leads

Ms Cunningham and Miss Cotterill are the Mental Health Leads at Simon de Senlis

If you have any worries or concerns about any aspect of your child's mental wellbeing please speak to your child's class teacher or contact us in school.



Laura Cunningham

Inclusion Leader
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mental Health First Aider



Hannah Cotterill

Family Support Worker
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mental Health First Aider

World Mental Health Day: Britain Get Talking!

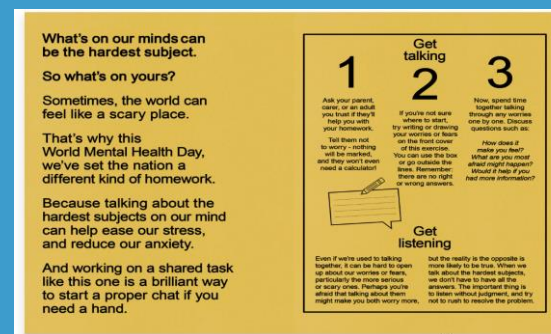
A different kind of homework

Mental Health has declined in almost 40% of school children (NHS Survey). That's why 'Britain Get Talking' is setting the nation a different kind of homework. It's designed to help ease our stress and reduce our anxiety by asking what's on our minds. Have a chat tonight or take part in ITV's national homework exercise. You don't need a pen or paper, but if you're unsure where to start, download the task and try writing or drawing your worries on the front cover.



Click the link below to access the homework online:

https://www.itv.com/britaingettalking/?gclid=EAlaIQobChMI0Nj_wvPogQMVGuztCh0VkwPGEAAYASAAEgIFBPD_BwE&scrylbrkr=07752e01



If you have any worries or concerns about any aspect of your child's mental health or wellbeing please speak to your child's class teacher or contact Ms Cunningham or Mrs Cotterill in school

Thunk of the Week

A **thunk** is an **unusual question** that makes you **think**. A beguiling question about everyday things that stops you in your tracks and helps you start to look at the world in a whole new light.



Do you think you would
have the resilience like
James Dyson to make 3000
adaptations to an invention
for it to be the best it can
be?





Northamptonshire
Police



Cuppa with a Copper - Hunsbury Library

Officers from the local Neighborhood policing team will be holding a community surgery on:

- Wed 22nd November
- Wed 20th December

Sessions run between 10am and 12pm at Hunsbury Library, Overslade Close, Northampton NN4 0RZ.

Also: A community surgery on **Monday 16th October 2023** , from **12pm to 1:30pm**, at Northampton General Hospital, South Entrance desk.

We will be on hand to listen to any concerns you have in your local community and to offer crime prevention advice.

Please come along to speak to your local officers about any issues of concern in your local community.

Everyone is welcome and it would be great to see you there.



Online Safety Newsletter November 2023

Staying safe on a PlayStation

Internet Matters have teamed up with Sony Interactive Entertainment to create a quiz that you can play with your child to see who knows more about the safety options available on a PlayStation. Play the quiz here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/press-start-for-playstation-safety/>



Ollee - your virtual friend

Parent Zone have created 'Ollee,' a virtual friend that asks your child how they are feeling and provides ideas and advice to help. Ollee is aimed at 8-11 year olds. You are also able to use the app to find advice around any issues that you think your child might be having.

You can find out more here:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/Ollee>

Roblox

Roblox is a platform consisting of a collection of games. Players can either create games or play games that other users have created. It is free to download (however subscription options and in game/app purchases are available) and can be played across numerous devices. **A lot of the content is user generated, which may mean not all games will be suitable for your child to view/play. It is important to set up appropriate parental controls for your child.**



What rating is Roblox?

PEGI rate Roblox with a Parental Guidance label, this is because it is difficult to rate due to the huge level of user generated content. It is rated for 'Teens' on Google Play and 12+ on the App store.

What should I be aware of?

Chat Facility - Players can chat to each other on Roblox. You can turn communication off completely or add restrictions, such as only communicate with friends.

Virtual Currency - Players can buy Robux (their virtual currency) to buy in-game upgrades or accessories. For children under 13, you can set the Monthly Spend Restriction in settings.

Game content - as mentioned, users create games so sometimes the content/themes may not be appropriate for your child.

How do I report abuse and block users?

Roblox have a Report Abuse system so show your child how to use it to report inappropriate content as well as how to block other users. There are different ways of doing this depending on the device being used.

How do I set up parental controls and a pin?

Parental controls are available within settings. We recommend that you explore the parental controls available and set as appropriate. You can enable a PIN, which means that changes cannot be made without this pin. You can set up Allowed Experiences, which allows you to select age-appropriate experiences, so your child can only join experiences that match their age. Age categories available are for all, 9+, 13+ and 17+. All experiences are still searchable though.

To view content that is suitable for 17+, then a user must participate in a verification process by submitting valid ID.

Further information:

- <https://corp.roblox.com/parents/>
- <https://swgfl.org.uk/resources/checklists/roblox/>

Users of this guide do so at their own discretion. No liability is entered into.
Current as of the date released 1.11.23.

TikTok

You must be over 13 years of age to use TikTok.

TikTok is a social media platform for sharing and watching short video clips. Some of the videos on TikTok may not be appropriate for your child to view and there is also the risk of strangers contacting your child. If your child is using TikTok then make sure the appropriate security/privacy settings are on.



Account set up

By default, accounts for people under 16 are set to private at the start and we would recommend keeping it as this. This means your child must approve follower requests. You can read more about the other settings available (such as switching off comments and switching on restricted mode) here: <https://support.tiktok.com/en/account-and-privacy/account-privacy-settings>

As always, it is important that when setting up an account on TikTok, your child enters their real date of birth as accounts are tailored by age. For example, Direct Messaging is disabled for accounts aged 13-15 and they do not receive push notifications from 9pm. In addition, advertisements are tailored to the user's age.

Family Pairing

This allows you to link your own account to your child's account. You can then set controls such as restricted mode (limit the appearance of content that may not be appropriate) and screen time management. You can find out more here: <https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en/guardians-guide/>

Inappropriate content, themes and challenges on TikTok

Whilst against TikTok's guidelines, explicit and inappropriate content can be found on this platform, for example nudity/sexual content and hate speech. We often see viral challenges on social media, some of which can be dangerous. If your child is using TikTok, chat to them regularly about what they are viewing.

Blocking and Reporting

Ensure your child knows how to use the safety features available to them, including how to report comments, direct messages and another user. You can find out more here: <https://support.tiktok.com/en/safety-hc/report-a-problem>

Further information

- <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/tiktok>

WhatsApp's editing feature

You must be at least 16 years old to use WhatsApp.

You may have noticed that WhatsApp have added an editing feature so you can change messages that you have sent for up to 15 minutes afterwards. **Childnet** have published a blog outlining what you should be aware about with this new feature:

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/find-out-whatsapps-new-features-and-how-it-can-impact-online-safety/>

EA Sports FC 24

EA Sports FC 24 has been rated as PEGI 3, which means it is suitable for those over the age of 3. However, you need to be aware that the game does include in-app purchases and users can interact with each other.

EA Sports FC 24 was released in September and is a rebranding for the EA FIFA series. It is available to play across a series of platforms.

As players can communicate with others, your child may be exposed to inappropriate language and there is also the risk of grooming when online interaction takes place. Ensure your child knows how to use the applicable reporting tools. The chat facility can be switched off.



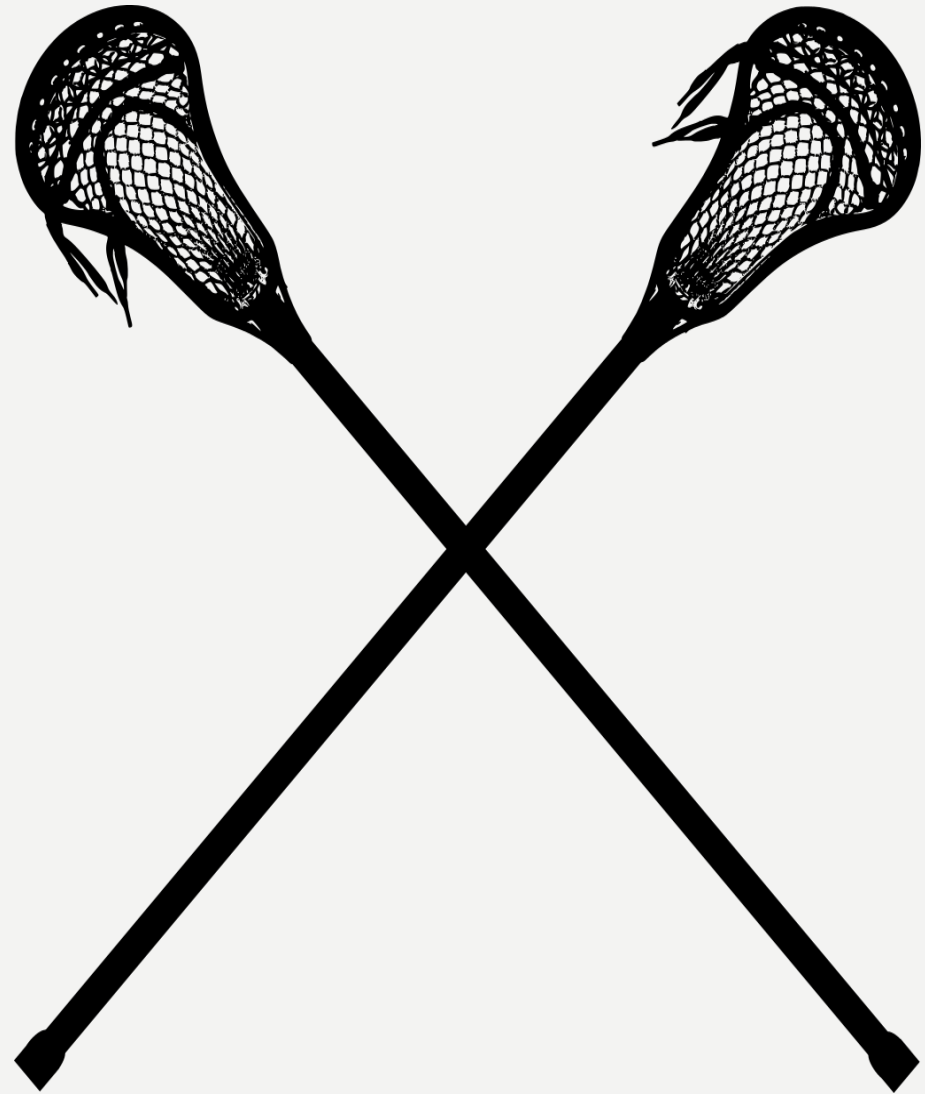


Sports-Football

- This week it was the boys turn to enter a tournament with 14 other schools on Wednesday 1st November at Moulton College. Each match was tough, but the boys shone through and came second in their pool. It was then on to the play offs. SdS team showed great teamwork and determination however the goals went against us. We ended up in a respectable 6th place out of 15 schools. Well played team, we are very proud of your superb team play and persistence.
- If you want to practice your skills out of school time, why not think about joining a team. There are plenty of football clubs for you to select from, so follow this link to find out more.
- <https://www.northamptonshirefa.com/players/youth>

**3RD
NOVEMBER
2023**

**NEWS
FOR OUR
CHILDREN**



 Pupil Days	 Bank Holidays
 School Holidays	 Teacher Training Days

NPAT Academic Calendar 24/25

Teacher Training Days
Monday 2 September 2024
Tuesday 3 September 2024
Monday 4 November 2024
Monday 24 February 2025
Monday 2 June 2025

September 2024						
Mon		2	9	16	23	
Tues		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thu		5	12	19	26	
Fri	30	6	13	20	27	

October 2024						
Mon	30	7	14	21	28	
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thu	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		

November 2024						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tues		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thu		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	

December 2024						
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	
Tues	3	10	17	24	31	
Wed	4	11	18	25		
Thu	5	12	19	26		
Fri	6	13	20	27		

January 2025						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tues		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thu	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	

February 2025						
Mon	3	10	17	24		
Tues	4	11	18	25		
Wed	5	12	19	26		
Thu	6	13	20	27		
Fri	7	14	21	28		

March 2025						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tues		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thu		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	

April 2025						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thu	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		

May 2025						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tues		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thu	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	

June 2025						
Mon		2	9	16	23	
Tues		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thu		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	

July 2025						
Mon	30	7	14	21	28	
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thu	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		

August 2025						
Mon			4	11	18	25
Tues			5	12	19	26
Wed			6	13	20	27
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Let's look at this week's story

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Cat with Two Noses



Pictured: Nanny McPhee. **Source:** Cats Protection Warrington Adoption Centre Facebook page.

Nanny McPhee, a 4-year-old black and white female cat, has become famous for her 'one of a kind' nose. Staff, at the Cats Protection Adoption Centre in Warrington, thought that she had one very large nose, until she was checked by vets, who discovered two! 'A cat with two noses is a first for us in the field vet team,' exclaimed Fiona Brockbank, who works as a senior field veterinary officer at Cats Protection. 'This is a real rarity and, thankfully, it isn't causing her any problems at all.' Centre manager, Lindsay Kerr, said, 'We have all fallen in love with our one-of-a-kind Nanny McPhee. We can't stop looking



at her two noses. She has proven to be a gentle lady who adores a fuss and a cuddle, and we are hopeful her new-found fame will mean she will have no shortage of potential adopters. She really does deserve a home where she can settle down and become the centre of a loving family.' The unique feline was named by centre staff after the film character known for her distinctively shaped nose. Since making it into the news, she has now been reserved and will soon be going to what is hoped will be her 'fur-ever' home with her new family.

New Olympic Sports

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) has approved five new sports for the 2028 Games in Los Angeles, USA. At a meeting held in Mumbai, India, the committee approved the inclusion of cricket, lacrosse, flag football, softball-baseball and squash! The IOC rules say that each host city can ask to have several sports included for the games they will be hosting. Cricket was last played at the 1900 Olympic Games in Paris. Richard Gould, from the England and Wales Cricket Board said, 'It's fantastic that cricket will be included in the Olympics in 2028, putting it on one of the world's biggest sporting stages. This is a great opportunity to take cricket to new parts of the world, and to allow more people to develop a love for our sport. In particular I'm delighted that the Games will

feature both men's and women's cricket and have no doubt that featuring in the Olympics will accelerate the continuing and rapid growth of the women's game.' Squash and flag football have never appeared in the Olympic Games before so will be played for the first time as an Olympic sport! Squash has been nominated before but was never approved. Flag football is a non-contact version of American football played in teams of five. Softball-baseball has appeared at the games several times previously. The last time participants could win an Olympic medal for Lacrosse was in 1908!

What sports would you put forward to be added to the Olympic programme?
Why do you think it would make a great Olympic sport?



Pictured: The 5 additional sports to be included for the 2028 Olympic Games in Los Angeles. **Source:** The Olympic Games @Olympics X page.

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Amazing Art Detective



Pictured: Arthur Brand Art Detective with the six paintings that were stolen.
Source: Arthur Brand (art detective) @brand_Arthur X page.

A Dutch art detective, called Arthur Brand, has recovered six missing paintings! The paintings were sent to him anonymously in a delivery van. Brand believes that the stolen artworks, valued at £87,000, were unable to be sold, therefore the thieves discarded them. He announced on his X page, 'I recovered the 6 paintings that were stolen last month from the town hall of Medemblik, the Netherlands. Historically very important paintings. Especially the one showing King Radbod, the last ruler of Frisia. The oldest portrait known of him. And one of William of Orange.' He thinks the thieves had heard about his previous

famous find – a stolen Van Gogh painting in an Ikea bag. Arthur, who is now being referred to as the 'Indiana Jones of the art world' said, 'In some cases, they burn them, just to get rid of the evidence because they find out they cannot sell them. So, I'm very thankful that they decided to do the right thing. Stealing is wrong, but if you return it, at least you do something right.' Arthur did not claim the €10,000 reward offered by the authorities in Medemblik, joking that he would like a 'good book voucher' instead!

Have you ever found something that was thought to be missing?

How did it feel to return it to its owner?

Last week's topic:

How can we remember things that were important to us?



We have pictures around our home of all the people and places that are special to our family. We can look at them to remember our feelings.

Barney

I think that we remember the important things and people in our lives by always keeping them in our hearts.

Rose

I like to talk to my friends and remember through telling stories and my favourite memories.

Layton

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Should 'super shoes' be allowed in races?



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Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think it is fair that a lot of focus has been on the shoes Kelvin was wearing rather than what he has achieved with a new world record?
- > Do you feel that people should be allowed to wear whatever they like in competitions?
- > In your opinion, should there be a different rule for professional athletes and those who are entering for fun/not as a professional?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Reflection



As technology improves, it can help athletes perform better and better in sports. It's important for us to respect rules and ensure any possible advantages are fair for all.

