



Ryton-on-Dunsmore Provost Williams

Church of England Academy

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Newsletter 23rd September 2024

"Let your light shine"

This is our first Monday newsletter. It felt very strange not sending this out on a Friday, but for us, it is a good to start the new week by reflecting and the successes of last week.

It was great to hear from Year 3, 4 and 6 about their experience from Tag Rugby, and to also received an unexpected bag of kit. Tag Rugby features on our curriculum for PE this year and it will be great to be able to see the children using the equipment. Across school, all children are now settled into the routines of school life, and from the monitoring that takes place in school, all pupils are set to make great progress this year.

Last Monday, we also had our SIAMS inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools). It is always great to be able to show visitors around our school and show the wonderful work of the children and staff. The school has come on a long way since I started two years ago, and the journey has been a wonderful one. As soon as the report is published, I will share this with you.

Miss Cullen, Head Teacher

On Wednesday, Years 3, 4 and 6 took part in the School Sports Partnership Tag Rugby Festival at St Andrew's Rugby Club. Year 3 and 4 went in the morning and Year 6 in the afternoon. Mrs Lambeth said:-

"We all had a great time, playing some games and practicing skills that we will need for tag rugby. The children's behaviour was excellent, there was great sportsmanship and their manners shone. Well done Year 3 and 4!"

Pictured here are two of our Year 4 children (already big Rugby fans) who enjoyed the event and were very pleased to see the bags of free equipment we received!





A little peep into Year 1 last week revealed children involved and engaged in different activities all at once! Some children were learning how to log on to their laptops independently, using their school log-ins. Over in the painting area, children were asked to paint a picture of the 6th day of creation, where God created animals and man. Other children were developing motor skills by colouring and cutting out animals. Super work Year 1!

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Ryton-on-Dunsmore Academy Stars



EYFS Star Learner this week is

Nova

Year 1 Star Learner this week is

Isabella



Year 3 Star Learner this week is

Ted

Year 2 Star Learner this week is

Bella

Value Awards



Year 4 Star Learner this week is

James

The "Value Awards" are designed to recognise children who show our school values.

This week, Carter was awarded a value award for "Respect".

Well done Carter!

Year 5 Star Learner this week is

Leighton



Year 6 Star Learner this week is

Whole Class



LOVE
HONESTY
HOPE
FAIRNESS
RESPECT
FORGIVENESS



10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

USING AND REVIEWING PARENTAL CONTROLS

Phones and computers are essential parts of children's lives, but with unfettered internet access comes a multitude of risks. While not foolproof, parental controls can help with this; filtering out inappropriate content, limiting the ability to spend real money, capping screen time and generally making devices safer for young people.

1 KNOW THE TYPES

While parental control software can apply to an entire device, it also pays to know about options on individual apps and websites. TikTok, for example, has Restricted Mode for limiting unsuitable videos, while Snapchat lets you keep an eye on who a child has been talking to. Check the settings of any new app young users want and review your options.

2 COVER ALL DEVICES

Knowing what parental controls cover is crucial, as remaining unaware can run the risk of 'blind spots' in the device's safety measures. Controls on a phone will apply whenever a child's on that device, for instance – but you'll want to ensure that parental controls are set up across any laptops, tablets and potentially other phones, too. Remember, buying a new device may require you to set everything up again.

3 DON'T NEGLECT SHARED TECH

While children often have their own devices, if you have a shared family computer or tablet, for example, you'll need to make sure that's not a weak point in your safety measures. Parental controls for your router, that cover everything connected to your Wi-Fi, are one option – or you can just be thorough with each device and online account. Just ensure that unprotected laptops, phones and tablets are password locked.

4 CONSIDER TIME CONTROLS

Even safe internet content can be harmful if it's viewed in excess. Not only are certain apps addictive enough to distract from other duties, but late-night usage can badly disrupt sleep, which is vital for adolescent brain development. Most parental controls offer some kind of time limit – either blocking access at certain hours or capping the number of minutes it can be used per day – so be sure to consider these.

5 BLOCK APP SPENDING

Seemingly free apps can sometimes include microtransactions: purchases that can be made using real money. While plenty of developers implement these fairly, some companies attempt to manipulate children into paying for additional features or content, which can soon add up to hundreds of pounds if a child gets carried away. Thankfully, iOS and Android's settings allow you to block in-app purchases, preventing any huge bills.

6 NO CONTROLS ARE PERFECT

Parental controls can be very useful, but they're far from infallible. Some unpleasant content can and unfortunately will slip through the net, so remember that setting up these measures isn't a substitute for taking an active interest in young people's digital lives. Talk to them, and make sure they're aware of the risks of the internet as well as its benefits.

7 MIND THE GAPS

There'll undoubtedly be some gaps in parental controls, no matter how thorough you intend to be. For example, if you use router-level parental controls, bear in mind that these won't cover WiFi outside the home. For that reason, it's important to keep an open dialogue with children about the many unpalatable aspects of social media and the web.

8 KEEP THINGS SECURE

Some children can react poorly to parental controls and feel tempted to circumvent them. It's important to ensure that the passwords to these settings remain unknown to children, otherwise they can easily modify the restrictions without you knowing. Similarly, make sure your phone isn't left unlocked and unattended.

9 REVIEW CONTROLS REGULARLY

Parental controls shouldn't be a 'set and forget' deal. Not only can parental summaries provide you with a frequent overview of a child's digital life – to let you spot any warning signs – but companies often add new features, and some of these may be useful to enable (or disable). Regularly checking in ensures that if a child has found a way to wiggle out of the controls, you'll be the first to know.

10 KNOW WHEN TO LET UP

The parental controls you install on a computer for a seven-year-old probably wouldn't be appropriate for a child of 16 – and as young people approach adulthood, bubble wrapping the internet can do more harm than good. Consider relaxing parental controls as children get older, so they can learn to manage the risks of the internet themselves, without so many training wheels.

Meet Our Expert

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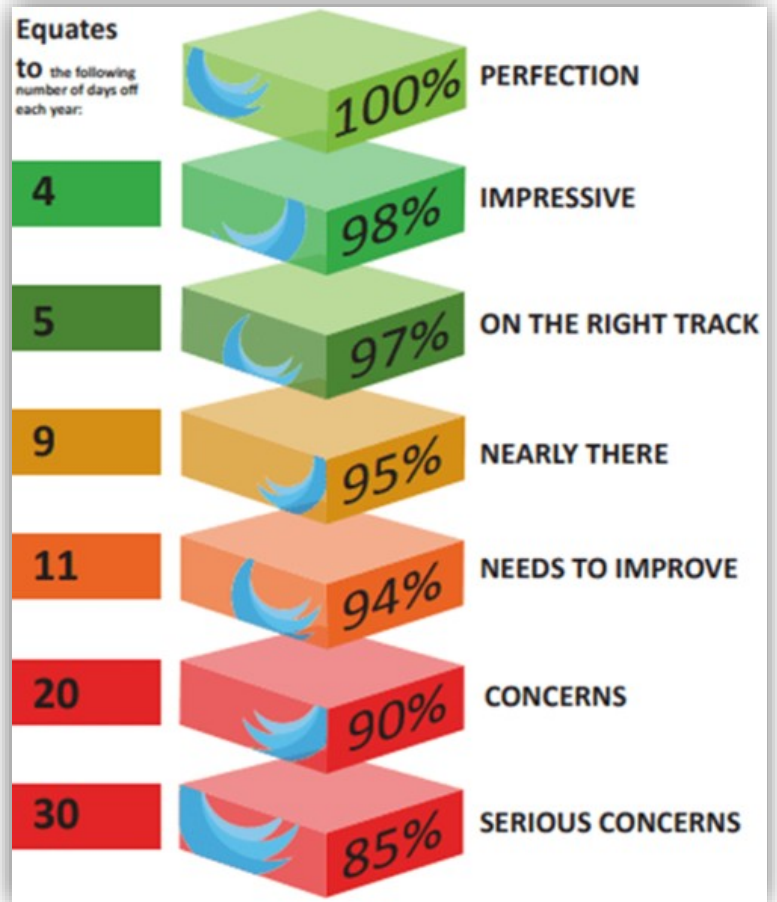
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Attendance Update

Attendance	
Nursery	100%
Reception	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	95.4%
Year 3	99%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	88.8%



Fantastic attendance from our Nursery, Reception and Year 1 classes, 100%!

Today, all parents should have received a letter regarding fines for children taken out of school.

These forms part of the new Attendance Regulations imposed by the Department for Education from this school year.

Get To School On Time Check List

-  Pick out your outfit and lay it out.
-  Pack your lunch.
-  Get all your school work together in your backpack.
-  Lay your shoes by the door.
-  Double check that your alarm is set.
-  Go to bed early to get as much sleep as possible.



Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME

Monday 23rd September 5pm

Thursday 26th September

Friday 27th September 9am

Monday 30th September 3.30pm

Monday 7th to Friday 11th October

Tuesday 15th October

Wednesday 16th October

Friday 18th October

Wednesday 23rd October

Thursday 24th October

Friday 25th October

Monday 4th November

Tuesday 5th November

Monday 11th November

Thursday 20th November

Wednesday 4th December

Thursday 12th December

Tuesday 17th December

18th/19th December

Friday 20th December

Frontier meeting for parents Year 6.

Cake donation day for Macmillan

Macmillan Coffee morning

SATS meeting Year 6

Frontier Residential

Parent Consultation Meetings

Parent Consultation Meetings

Harvest Worship

Year 6 Come and Learn

Children break up

Teacher training day

Back to school

Early Bird Week starts

Individual school photos

Act of Remembrance

2.45pm Anti Bullying Workshop

Year 3/4 Come and Learn

Year 4/5 Come and Learn

Flu vaccinations for Nursery-Year 6 for children with consent

Whole school panto trip

Early Years/KS1 Nativity

Break up



Can we please remind all parents that we are a nut free school. This includes chocolate spread in sandwiches. We aim to protect children who have allergies to nuts yet also help them, as they grow up, to take responsibility as to what foods they can eat and to be aware of where they may be put at risk. We do not allow nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes.



Here is a reminder of the After-school Clubs on offer this half term. Follow the links for more information and to sign up.

Benchball/Dodgeball

<https://forms.office.com/e/FpZ5bXuWmu>

iDraw

<https://forms.office.com/e/mm70aR1pCf>

Touch Typing

<https://forms.office.com/e/RC3YWXebtr>

Forest School

<https://forms.office.com/e/a9gn3yDYxd>

Football Club

<https://forms.office.com/e/h7MPvMcqYG>



Latest issue here:-

<https://shorturl.at/OcLSn>

educaterers A FOOD STORY

Thursday 3rd October is our school census day, where data is uploaded including free meal uptake. Most of our younger children do take up the option of a hot meal but the ones that don't will be offered a "taster" plate on this day to encourage them to try whilst still having the back up of their packed lunch.



Educaterers have made a fab recipe book!

Click here to download:-

[educaterers-recipe-book.pdf](#)

COME FOR
COFFEE
AND
CAKE

WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



Organised by our Year
6 children

Last year, Macmillan Coffee Mornings raised over £18,000,000, which was enough to fund 288 Macmillan nurses.

At Ryton on Dunsmore Academy we raised an amazing £211.00 in 2023; let's see if we can beat that in 2024!

Our coffee morning is on Friday 27th September at 9am. After the coffee morning, children will be able to buy cakes for playtime.

Any cake donations would be very welcome – please send in on Thursday 26th September.

Cash payments only please, our phone signal is too poor to support on-line payments.

Thank you!



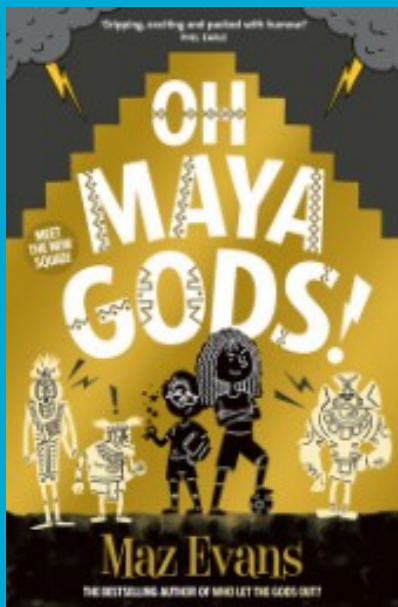


Miss Cullen's Recommended Reads

In every house, on every street . . . there is laughter

and tears. There are friends. There is family. And there is love.

A heartwarming celebration of homes . . . and all the families that make them.



Vesper is brilliant at football. She's great at helping her dad run the farm. She's not so good at being friends with her cousin, Aster. Oh, and she hears a voice coming from the stones of Stonehenge.

Meanwhile, Aster is super-bright, and he's travelled the world with his mum, but every time he worries or panics (which is pretty often), his hands start to dissolve into stars.



St Leonard's Church **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Sunday 6th October

9.30 am

supporting local food banks:

Please don't bring fresh fruit & vegetables

Gifts of tinned & packet foods will
be gratefully received
and delivered to local food banks.

Any monies collected at the service
will also be donated to Food Banks

