

Ryton-on-Dunsmore Provost Williams

Church of England Academy

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Newsletter 6th October 2023

"Let your light shine"



This week, we welcomed Year 6 parents in for a SATs meeting to ensure that we are able to support our Year 6 pupils to achieve their very best at the end of the year.

It seems strange to be thinking forward to May 2024 as we come to the end of week five of the Autumn term, but as a school, we are always forward thinking and striving for excellence. With the help of parents at home, we can ensure all children are able to achieve their full potential.

I want to say a huge thank you to the parents and carers who came to our Harvest Worship today. I was unfortunately not able to join pupils and staff as they came together to give thanks through song, prayer and poetry but I have been told how proud the teaching staff were of the hard work and thought that went into the preparations.

Thank you also to parents and carers who kindly donated to our Harvest Table. All items collected will be donated to help support families in the Rugby area. The Rugby foodbank (and we as a school) *"...don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why we provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to us in crisis."*

If you are experiencing hardship and would like some support and advice, please come and speak to me.

Grateful
to
God

Love

Honesty

Hope

Fairness

Respect

Forgiveness

Ryton-on-Dunsmore Academy Stars

Nursery Star Learner this week is

Iylah



Reception Star Learner this week is

Orla

Year 1 Star Learner this week is

Valentina and Sapphire

Year 2 Star Learner this week is

Zephy

Year 3 Star Learner this week is

Alexander



Year 4 Star Learner this week is

Oakley



Year 5 Star Learner this week is

Pearl

Year 6 Star Learner this week is

Ted





Dojo Rewards

This year, we are relaunching our Dojo reward system and this will be shared with the children this week. Points are given for a variety of reasons when staff see pupils demonstrating our values and excellence in all they do. There are a number of milestones for the children to hit and rewards will look like this:

25 points - a certificate from Mrs Lampe Cullen or Mrs Baddeley

50 points - a certificate from Mrs Lampe Cullen or Mrs Baddeley and a pencil

100 points - a certificate from Mrs Lampe Cullen or Mrs Baddeley and a larger prize

200 points - a certificate from Mrs Lampe Cullen or Mrs Baddeley and an extra playtime session on a Friday

300 points - a certificate from Mrs Lampe Cullen or Mrs Baddeley and afternoon cake and squash.

There will also be a whole class reward each term and this will be calculated based on the average number of points per class. There will be a prize for each key stage and will vary from Golden time on a Friday afternoon where the children can choose, to a movie afternoon or a new class book.



Attendance Update

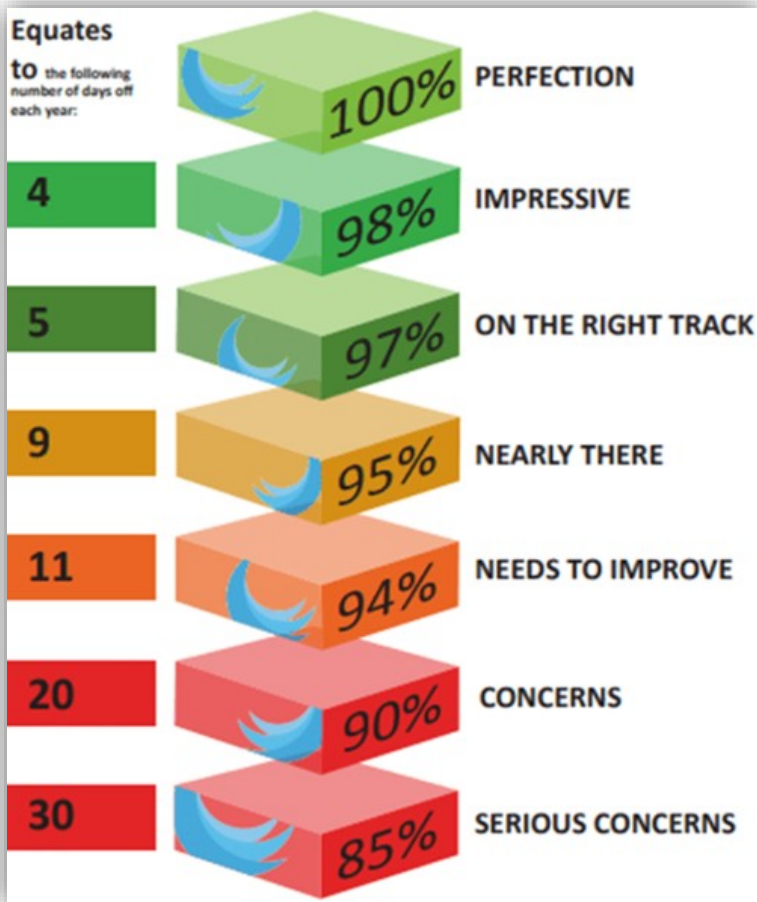


Attendance	
Nursery	93.4%
Reception	90%
Year 1	90.8%
Year 2	80.8%
Year 3	91.4%
Year 4	90.7%
Year 5	85.8%
Year 6	99.1%

PWP Attendance League 2023/4

Position	Class	Points
1st	Year 1	11
2nd	Nursery	9
3rd	Year 6	8

Well done to Year 6 this week, very impressive!



Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME

A number of children in KS1 have mentioned a YouTube video (The Grimace Shake). The videos are not appropriate content and the children have expressed that they are frightened by it. The National Online Safety website is full of free videos that help parents to ensure that apps such as YouTube are as secure as possible to minimise inappropriate content being viewed.

Below is a one page guide to 'What Parents and Carers Need to Know About YouTube'.

Mrs Lampe Cullen

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps that we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE

YouTube is a video-sharing social media platform that allows billions of people around the world to watch, share and upload their own videos with a vast range of content – including sport, entertainment, education and lots more. It's a superb space for people to consume content that they're interested in. As a result, this astronomically popular platform has had a huge social impact: influencing online culture on a global scale and creating new celebrities.

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 material. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

HIGH VISIBILITY

Content creators can also be put at risk – especially young ones who try to make their online presence as visible as possible. Creating and uploading content exposes children to potential harassment and toxicity from the comments section, along with the possibility of direct messaging from strangers. Videos posted publicly can be watched by anyone in the world.

CONNECT 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 messaging other users directly. Connecting with strangers online, of course, can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, to cyberbullying and even to encountering online predators.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends, challenges and memes that 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 harm children through either watching or copying. The painful 'salt and ice challenge', which can cause injuries very quickly, is just one of many such examples.

SUGGESTED CONTENT

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 can also lead to binge-watching and the risk of screen addiction, especially if 'auto-play' is activated. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

Popular YouTube channels regularly have scammers posing as a well-known influencer in the comments section, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and sometimes offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users are not who they claim to be.

Advice for Parents & Carers

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate content (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence and sexual situations) to underage viewers. To prevent your child from chancing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that your child uses to access YouTube.

TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows you to monitor what your 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 you an oversight of how your child is using sites like YouTube and helps you ensure they are only accessing appropriate content.

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 your child is subscribed to can be hidden. If your child is uploading videos that are protected as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.

CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS

Influential content creators usually have other social media accounts which they encourage their fans to follow. Having an open discussion about this with your child makes it easier to find out how else they might be following a particular creator online. It also opens up avenues for you to check out that creator's other channels to see what type of content your child is being exposed to.

MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them children. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course, and react to content differently. You may want to keep an eye on how your child interacts with content on YouTube – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand the types of videos they are interested in.

LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases: users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch, for example. If you're not comfortable with your child purchasing content online, limit their access to your bank cards and online payment methods. Many parents have discovered to their cost that a child happily devouring a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!

Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

Diary Dates

9th-13th October	Year 6 at Culmington Manor
10th October	Year 1 and Year 5 Fire Safety Visit
11th October	Year 5 to Ryton Pools for the Anglo Saxon workshop
18th October	Individual School Photographs 8.30am for families with younger children not in school.
17th/18th October	Parent Consultation Meetings 3.30pm to 6pm
25th October 2.30pm	Year 1 Victorian Toys and Games Workshop Year 6 Parents "Come and Learn" session on resilience.
27th October	Break up for half term
6th November	Early Bird Week begins
10th November	Remembrance Service
15th November 2.45pm	Anti Bullying Parent Workshop
24th November 2.30pm	"Come and Learn" Year 3
30th November	Flu vaccination for all children with consent
1st December	"Come and Learn" year 4
12th December am	Nursery, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Production Year 3 4 5 and 6 Carol Service
13th December	Early Years family trip to see the Gruffalo
14th December	Nursery, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Production
22nd December	Christmas Day at school
8th January	Teacher Training Day, school closed to children



£212.00 RAISED!

Thanks you so much for every cake donated or purchased.

Schoolreaders
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We're a Partner School



Our Year 6 children are off to Manor Adventure next week! This 4 night residential is often seen by the children as one of the most memorable experiences of their time at our school as they face fears and challenge themselves in a range of activities. This year they will tackle high ropes, canoeing, abseiling, rifle shooting and for the first time...axe throwing! Full days have 5 activities per day, so we are sure to have some very tired children returning to Ryton on Friday.

The whole school wish them a wonderful week.

AUTISUM SUPPORT GROUP



FAMILY SESSION

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN DIAGNOSED WITH ASD OR AWAITING ASSESSMENT. ALL ARE WELCOME. NO AGE RESTRICTIONS. SIBLINGS WELCOME.

The second Wednesday of every month
5pm – 7pm
Exhall Old School Community Centre,
Exhall CV7 9GB

· safe & sympathetic environment · fun activities & games ·
· refreshments available · must be accompanied by a parent/carer ·

AUTISUM SUPPORT GROUP



11YRS+ YOUTH CLUB

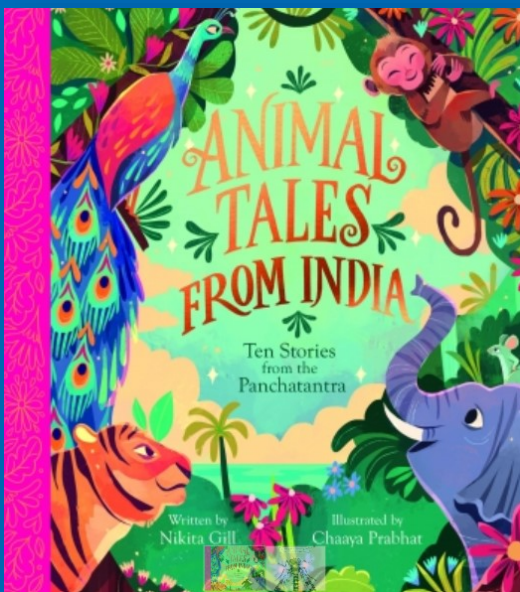
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH A DIAGNOSIS OF ASD OR AWAITING ASSESSMENT. AN OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP SKILLS & MEET YOUNG ADULTS WITH LIKE MINDED INTERESTS

The second & fourth Monday of every month
5.30pm – 7.30pm
Old Meeting URC Church,
Leicester Street, Bedworth CV12 8AH

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Mrs Lampe Cullen's Recommended Reads



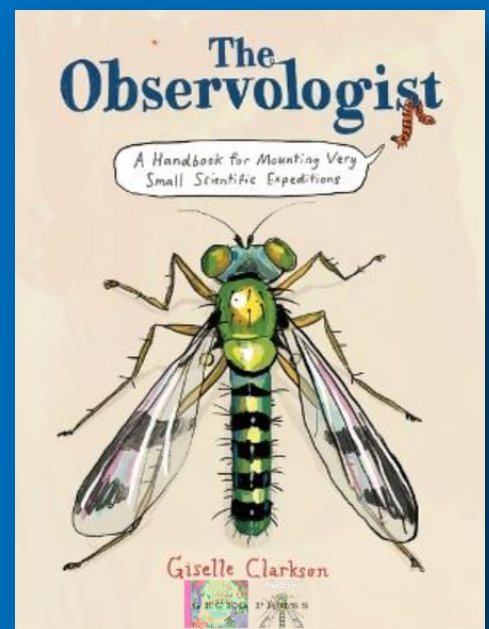
The stories of the Panchatantra have been read aloud and shared for thousands of years, kept alive by generation after generation of storytellers. In this captivating collection of ten animal tales, reimagined with warmth and wit by Nikita Gill, you'll meet mighty elephants and courageous mice, cunning crocodiles and clever monkeys, talkative tortoises and little lapwing birds. Discover a world of wonder, wisdom and friendship, of helping others, speaking out and finding courage.

With sumptuous high-end finishes, including a jacket, foiled cloth binding and a ribbon marker, this is a timeless gift book for every child to enjoy and treasure.

Observology is the study of looking. An observologist makes scientific expeditions, albeit very small ones, every day.

They notice interesting details in the world around them. They are expert at finding tiny creatures, plants and fungi.

They know that water snails glide upside down on the undersurface of the water; not all flies have wings; earthworms have bristles; butterflies taste with their feet.





What's On

October Half Term 2023



Get ready for a family friendly bone-chilling experience at **ST JOHN'S HAUNTED HOUSE!** Bring your friends and family for screams and thrills!

Saturday 28th - Tuesday 31st October
10am - 4.30pm

Get spooked as you explore rooms at St John's House, see them as you've never seen them before. Discover the creepy story of Hansel and Gretel, go on a trail and hope the witch isn't in the kitchen! Make slime, get messy making potions, enjoy messy play and crafts.

Tickets: £12 children, £6 adults, 2 and under free. Spaces limited so book soon. Adult tickets includes a hot drink. Book at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice



Arty Tots: WHOOSH! BANG! WHIZZ!

Market Hall Museum

Wednesday 1st November 10am - 1pm

Calling all Arty Tots and their families. It's time to light up the skies, ready for Bonfire Night. You can create 'Bonfire Night' inspired crafts to decorate your home and dazzle your family and friends. Let's all SPARKLE!

£3 per child, no need to book just drop in. Suitable for under 5's, older siblings welcome

CSI Warwick

Market Hall Museum

Thursday 2nd November 10am - 1pm

A valuable artefact has been stolen from Market Hall Museum! Test out your forensic skills with STEM activities and become a super science sleuth. Will you be able to solve the crime and work out who the culprit is?

£3 per child, no need to book just drop in.

Make and Create

Market Hall Museum

Saturday 4th November 10am - 12noon

Get ready for Bonfire Night with some fantastic fireworks crafts!

£1 per child, no need to book just drop in.

St John's House, St John's, Warwick, CV34 4NF
Market Hall Museum, Market Place, Warwick CV34 4SA
Tel: 01926 412501

Email: museum@warwickshire.gov.uk
Website: heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk



Warwickshire Museum

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October Half Term Activities from Heritage and Culture Warwickshire

Get spooked at St John's Haunted House, take part STEM activities at CSI Warwick and get crafty with a Bonfire themed Arty Tots.

St John's Haunted House

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Make slime and crafts to take home and get messy making potions and enjoy messy play.

And dressing up is welcomed for children and adults!

£12 children, £6 adults. Children under 2 are free. Spaces are limited so book soon. For full details and to book tickets visit warwickshire.gov.uk/heritageboxoffice

Adult tickets include a hot drink from Pickled & Tipsy Mobile Café, so you can sit back while your children make potions and slime. Undercover seated area available.

Bags of pick and mix sweets will be available to buy (cash only)

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Click the link to see the latest copy:-

https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS_SEPTNOV23

It's currently **illegal** to ride a **privately owned e-scooter** in any **public place**

We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can get them from many popular retailers.

However the current law is clear

You can buy one but it is illegal to use a **PRIVATELY OWNED** e-scooter in ANY public space including roads, pavements, parks, town centres or canal towpaths for example. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land.

What will happen if I'm stopped by Warwickshire Police?

If you ride an e-scooter on public land and roads you need to comply with a number of conditions including having appropriate insurance. Warwickshire Police has the power to seize e-scooters if you do not have insurance and to prosecute riders – please make sure you keep your privately owned e-scooter on private land so this doesn't happen to you.

Why is this?

E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs) so they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements such as:

- MOT
- Licensing
- Tax
- Insurance

As e-scooters do not have number plates, signalling ability and don't always have visible rear lights, they can't be used legally on the roads.

Warwickshire is currently not part of the trials so e-scooters cannot be hired at this time.

The UK Government is currently taking part in 'Future Transport Zone' trials for e-scooter hire, with a view to making them legal to use on the roads.

Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership understand the public's support for environmentally friendly modes of transport. We want to work with the public to make sure the roads are safe for everyone.



Sarah Cooke School Of Dance



SCSD Dancer
Photo courtesy of Andy McGarty

Ballet, Tap & Disco/Street Dance
Classes for children & Teenagers
(Pre-school Ballet from age 2)

Our classes are held in Bubbenhall near
Leamington Spa & Wellesbourne

Contact Sarah Cooke
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or 07751 470318

GO AHEAD, GET DANCING!

Have a lovely weekend!

