



Newsletter Date 12.04.24

Together

Diary Dates

April 2024

Wednesday 24th April 6pm-7pm Year 6 Parents' briefing for Pioneer and SATs

May 2024

Y6 SATs week Monday 13th May- Thursday 16th May

Tuesday 21st May REP Parent drop-in 2.45pm

Wednesday 22nd May RKD Parent drop-in 2.45pm

Thursday 23rd May RHC Parent drop-in 2.45pm

Half term Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

June 2024

Tuesday 4th June – Year 2 Trip to the Botanical Gardens

Tuesday 4th June – INSPIRE Workshop 9:30am 4GO

Wednesday 5th June – INSPIRE Workshop 9:30am 4LH

Thursday 6th June – INSPIRE Workshop 9:30am 4HG

Friday 7th June – KS2 Lutley's got Talent performance 9:15 – details to follow



PARKING



Our local police officers have been patrolling the streets around school and are focusing on illegal and dangerous parking. Please ensure you park safely to enable our children and community to be safe as they move around the streets. Patrols are happening daily for the time being.

Worker of the Week 12th April 2024

Class	Name	Class	Name	Class	Name
RJG	Annabelle M Theya N	RHC	Molly C Jack F	RKD	Poppy Ha Fayed
1HH	Neve M	1LI	Jasmine N	1SB	Amber H
2AB	Hunter H-M	2RT	Isla H	2RA	Archer M-R
3EG	Lottie J	3KR	Preston M	3LO	Stanley H
4GO	Hudson D	4HG	James C	4LH	Eleanor B
5LW	Daniel D	5AO	Rogan S	5SM	Darcey T
6BR	Lenny L	6EG	Harley D	6ES	Elijah H

Behaviour Champions

We'll done to all of these children who have been recognised with ABC awards last half term! They celebrated with a special Forest School Afternoon! **We are still waiting for our order of new badges – as soon as they arrived Mr Hall will bring them straight to the children that need them**

	Name	Class	Name	Class	Name
RJG	Arthur M	RHC	Ada G	RKD	James T
1HH	Sophie G-C	1LI	Arabella S	1SB	Zachary F
2AB	Zaid M	2RT	Elodie S	2RA	Ruby H
3EG	Jessica M	3KR	Harry T	3LO	Lara T
4GO	Lyla P	4HG	Olivia B	4LH	Lilly B
5LW	Ezekiel S	5AO	Ella-Jade C	5SM	Grace P
6BR	Charlie S	6EG	Erin P	6ES	Logan W

Attendance

8th – 12th April 2024

Class	%	Class	%	Class	%
RJG	95.77	RHC	93.33	RKD	91.92
1HH	92.67	1LI	99.33	1SB	97.00
2AB	93.18	2RT	95.52	2RA	89.43
3EG	96.00	3KR	92.58	3LO	92.41
4GO	97.10	4HG	96.67	4LH	97.24
5LW	97.10	5AO	93.33	5SM	96.55
6BR	93.10	6EG	94.14	6ES	94.07

Notices

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Blue Peter Badge Winner!

We know that children are applying for their Blue Peter badges all of the time! Jacob has received his music badge. Well done Jacob 😊

2024-2025 Inset Days

- 02.09.24
- 03.09.24
- 04.11.24
- 14.02.25
- 21.07.25

Year 6 Eco Warriors

Year 6 went litter picking with Mrs Cole in school and around the local area – they collected 12 bags of rubbish! We have been reflecting on how we can help to reduce this mess by raising awareness!



Trust Debate Team

We are so proud of our Year 6 children who represented Lutley at the Hales Valley Trust Debate competition held at Woodside Primary. They have worked incredibly hard to prepare for their speeches both in school and at home. All of the children spoke eloquently, presenting their points in a very persuasive way! Not only this, but they considered the oracy framework and used techniques that captured their audience. The children got through to the final round of the debate, which is a super achievement against our trust schools. Well done everyone- you were all fabulous!

Lutley Finalists

Lutley were finalists in the Trust football competition losing narrowly to the winners Lapal 0-1. Well done Team Lutley!



HALESOWEN BID PRESENTS



SATURDAY MAY 4TH

HALESOWEN TOWN CENTRE, 10AM – 2PM
FACEPAINTING, FANCY DRESS COMPETITION
& MORE



Webinar - Unravelling ADHD in Adulthood

Many parents of children with ADHD are starting to recognise the traits in themselves, and are realising that they are struggling too.

If you think you have ADHD, or you have just been diagnosed and have no idea what to do next, then join me for a jam packed hour full of information.

Date: April 25th 2024

Time: 1-2 pm

Venue: Zoom

Link: <https://bit.ly/unravellingadhd>

Notices

DUDLEY
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



Activities for the holidays

<https://www.dudleyholidayactivities.org.uk/>



Earth Hour 2024, a
great way to
engage your school
community this
Saturday!



**Well done
Sapphire House
Point winners
for Spring Term!**

Year 5 have been exploring
Earth Hour and made
postcards top take home!

<https://www.wwf.org.uk/earth-hour>

RSPB Big Bird Watch!

In February, Oliver, Joel, Finley, Samuel, Ivan and Elijah from year 6 joined Mrs Cole and Mrs Sumner at Forest School to carry out the RSPB Big Schools' Birdwatch. We all enjoyed a wonderful quiet hour - sitting, listening and using binoculars to spot which birds are using our Forest School site. We were all amazed by how much we saw! 3 woodpigeons, 2 blackbirds, 2 magpies, 2 crows, 6 sparrows, 1 starling, 2 blue tits, 2 long-tailed tits, 1 great tit, 1 collared dove, 4 greenfinch and 11 goldfinch. Well done boys!



Each week we will share a handy parent guide on a range of online safety topics. These are also available free to you if you sign up to National Online Safety. Check out our feed on X as we use this regularly too! Keep your children safe by staying up to date!

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

...MSG ME...

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency'. Plus a scam where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then (posing as WhatsApp) call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a chat, someone only needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user that they want to message. If your child has ever given their number out to someone they don't know, that person could then contact them via WhatsApp. It's also possible that your child might be added to a group chat (by one of their friends, for example) containing other people that they don't know.

FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a "Forwarded many times" label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original... and might not be entirely factual, either.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHATSAPP

With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients; not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging; WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing its service in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

ONLINE

VIEW ONCE CONTENT

The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts, knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased privacy.

CHAT LOCK

Another new option allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. The risk here is that this function creates the potential for young people to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of (such as age-inappropriate material).

VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safely on the way home, for example. However, anyone in your child's contacts list or in a mutual group chat can also track their location – potentially letting strangers identify a child's home address or journeys that they make regularly.

Advice for Parents & Carers ...TYPING...

EMPHASISE CAUTION

Encourage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: get them to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's wise to change your child's WhatsApp settings (go to 'Privacy', then 'Groups') to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval; you can give permission to 'My Contacts' or 'My Contacts Except...'. Additionally, if your child needs to use 'live location', emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

THINKING BEFORE SHARING

Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.

CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

Some parents like to check in with their child about how they're using WhatsApp, explaining that it will help to keep them safe. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of chats that are in there, who they're with and why your child wants to keep them hidden. Also, if your child has sent any 'view once' content, you could discuss their reasons for using this feature.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

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