COMING UP SOON IN APRIL 2018

A FEW DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

KS1 Mayday

25th May

Year 6 SATs Week
14th-18th May 2018

National Bike to school day.
9th May 2018

SAFETY, WELFARE AND WELLBEING NEWSLETTER

April 2018. I can't believe we are in the summer term.

HIGHLIGHTS

A successful Easter egg and bunny competition.

Many Purple light treats in the last month where children enjoyed craft making, hot chocolate and biscuits.

Keep up the good work.

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KS1 and KS2 took part in a design your own Easter Egg Competition. The competition was very successful with lots of wonderful entries. Mr. Rush and the Easter bunny had the tough job of choosing a winner from both Key Stages.

After many reminders, we are still finding parking to be an issue. Please use the 'Park & Stride' car parks to ensure that the area at the front of school is safe and we do not get complaints from the local residents. Both of the designated car parks are just a 2-minute walk from school with no roads to cross.

Mrs. Martin, Senior Leaders and staff from Welfare have made a point of monitoring car parking around the school due to several complaints from parents and members of the public. Parents who drive to school are reminded that there are car-parking facilities at Glatton Drive and Whittlesey Road. Parking on double yellow lines and on people's driveways causes' congestion to other road users and danger to the children who are coming into school or making their way home.

The School Nurse drop in dates are as follows:

Thursday 10th May 2018 9:00-10:00

Thursday 12th July 2018 9:00-10:00

A gentle reminder to Parents that children should not be playing computer games that are not age appropriate, this includes the popular online game Fortnight which has an age rating 12+. As a school we have been working very hard on e-safety with the children and we have reminded them that talking online carries a risk if they 'chat' to people they do not know.

As parents, if you wish to ensure that your child completely understands e-safety you can access the NSPCC website, they have lots of advice on keeping children safe online. Please also find my feature of the month below which is all about e-safety and keeping children safe online.

Remember to be prompt collecting the children at the end of the school day. Staff often have to be in meetings immediately after school and the staff at the Welfare Office also meet with parents at the end of the school day. It is frustrating for the children, after a full day in school if they are not collected on time.

School staff have also noticed many children riding their bikes and scooters on the school grounds. We have to be mindful of younger children walking with parents and elderly guardians collecting children as they may get knocked over

and sustain injuries. Anyone seen riding their bikes or scooters will instantly receive a green light from a member of staff.

The Welfare team continue to work with children daily and support the lunchtime Nurture groups in which the children have time working on activities. Last term children made worry dolls, friendship bracelets, dream catchers and then some crafts.

Please feel free to organise an appointment with any member of the Welfare Team should you have any issues relating to your child's welfare or behaviour that you feel we may be able to help with. If we are not able to answer your queries immediately, we will always look at availability of outside agencies and other support networks and get back to you as soon as possible.

Behaviour Lights

Below are details of lights issued during February to date

Racial/Homophobic Incidents	0
Bullying	0
Verbal Incidents	0
Physical Incidents	18
School Expectations not met	20
Disruption/Preventing Teaching & Learning	7
Purple lights and treats	42
Behaviour plans	
EYFS	2
KS1	14
KS2	15

	Purple	Green	Amber	Red
Year R	3		1	
Year 1	1	1	1	
Year 2	11	13	3	
Year 3	4	5	2	4
Year 4	12	5	1	2
Year 5	7	3	1	
Year 6	4			4

Feature of the Month-

Keeping safe online.

As a school, we believe teaching computing and using the internet safely is paramount in today's day and age. We follow the curriculum and have an exciting computing curriculum map for all classes it aims to equip pupils with the knowledge, understanding and skills to use information and communication technology creatively, purposefully and above all safely.

Whether we like it or not, technology and the Internet are firmly fixed in our children's lives. Use of the Internet can be a wonderful thing, opening up new worlds and supporting children's learning and development in many ways, as well as being a fun way to relax and keep in touch with friends. However, we are all aware of the pitfalls and dangers of the online community, and since most of the current generation of parents grew up in the days before smartphones, we can feel a little clueless as to how best to protect our children. Here are some ideas which will support your primary school child's safety and well-being online.

• Set up parental controls on your home broadband and all Internet-enabled devices your child has access to.
• Password-protect all accounts.
• Choose the sites your child has access to on their account.
• Make sure your child is using child-safe search engines, such as Swiggle or KidzSearch, and activate 'safe search' options on other search engines such as Google and Youtube.
• Switch devices to airplane mode when your child is playing online games. This will prevent them from accidentally making in-app purchases or contacting other players online.
• Pay close attention to the age ratings on games, apps and films to make sure they are suitable for your child. If you would not allow your child to watch a 15 certificate film, you should not let them play a game with the same rating.
• Set your homepage to a child-friendly one.
• Keep all devices your child will use, in a high-traffic communal area in your home, such as the kitchen or living room. Be with your child when they are online and talk about what they are doing.
• Set rules for screen time and stick to them.
• Investigate safe social media sites for kids.
• Sometimes children find themselves bullying or being bullied online (also known as 'cyberbullying'). Talk to your child about being a good friend online, and how our words and actions still hurt even if we can't see a person's reaction to them.
• Talk regularly about the importance of online safety, and about what your child is getting up to online. You'll be grateful you did this, especially as your child gets older. Keeping those lines of communication open is a powerful way of letting your child know that you trust them but expect them to be honest.

Research shows that the age at which children are accessing smart devices and the Internet is getting younger and younger. It's never too soon to start good e-Safety habits with your child.

Currently there is talk of a game called fortnight around school. This game may seem all right from the surface as is a popular strategy survival game for PlayStation 4, Xbox 1, Windows, and Mac. It combines Minecraft resource collecting and building with team-based survival. However, it has a rating of 12 years and above. It also has a chat service where children are able to speak to other gamers playing the same game. This is where it becomes potentially dangerous.

This is adapted from the twinkle guidance for parents on teaching online safety.

http://content.twinkl.co.uk/resource/5e/6f/t-c-7853-parents-guide-to-esafety-for-primary-school-children-parent-and-carer-information-sheet_ver_2.pdf?__token__=exp=1525078088~acl=%2Fresource%2F5e%2F6f%2Ft-c-7853-parents-guide-to-esafety-for-primary-school-children-parent-and-carer-information-sheet_ver_2.pdf%2A~hmac=495a178c25a8c4f4a152b759af0ac832973aa5cb68c1a9b77e59d9151bca904b

Helpful websites on e-safety: https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/5_7/

Finally, we just wanted to say a huge thank you to all of the parents that we have had the pleasure to work alongside so far. Please continue to pop and see us at the Welfare Reception. We will always try to make time to chat with you, have a coffee and try to help you with any concerns that you may have.

Mrs L Martin	Mrs R Farooq-Ayub	Mrs H Yeoman	Mrs D Campbell	Mrs H Magee
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