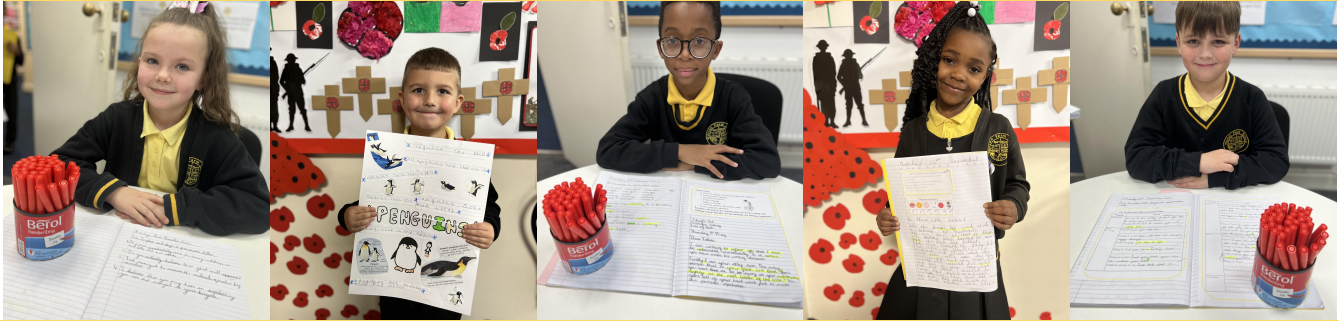




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Together Everybody Achieves More

Message from Mr Taylor

The progress that your children and the school have made since September continues to go from strength to strength. Children are immensely proud of their work and they are always keen to share the great things they have been doing with me. We have raised the bar in terms of expectations and the children are responding to the challenge on a daily basis.

On Wednesday this week we continued to build on the wealth of educational opportunities I am committed to providing for your children with our Bollywood dance workshops. Children really enjoyed the sessions and we definitely unearthed some hidden talents. We will continue to broaden their horizons and culture capital to ensure that they receive equality of opportunity with children across Birmingham and the Country.

While we offer a range of rich educational opportunities and an ambitious curriculum, your children can only experience these if they are in school everyday. Unfortunately, our attendance has fallen **well below** my expectations and our school target of **96%** this week. Together, let's raise the bar and ensure that our children are in school everyday so they can achieve their full potential. My challenge for next week is to have as many classes as possible at 100% attendance **EVERYDAY!** You can do it.

I am pleased to say that we are now members of the National Online Safety Hub. This is a programme designed by education professionals designed to meet the statutory online safety duties as outlined in the Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) 2022 guidance. Each week I will share a one page parent guide which provides information about how you can support the school and your child in ensuring they are safe online. Our first edition focuses on messaging provider Whatsapp which carries a minimum user age of 16+.

Finally, I have shared information relating to our Christmas Fayre on Friday 9th December. Thank you to those parents and carers who have already supported the school by donating prizes for our tombola. We have also secured a number of additional fantastic prizes for our raffle. We will start selling tickets from next with the opportunity to win some great prizes including: £100 Aldi voucher, Dewalt Lithium power drill, DeWalt Lithium Radio, Dolce Gusto Mini Me drinks maker and other fabulous prizes. Remember "You've got to be in it to win it!"

Mr Taylor

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Wed 30th Nov	Year 5 Play leader training
Thur 1st Dec	F2D Design Workshop Year 5 and 6
Thur 8th Dec	School Book Fair
Fri 9th Dec	Christmas Fayre 15:30 - 17:30
Tue 13th Dec	EYFS Nativity
Wed 14th Dec	School Christmas Dinner
Fri 16th Dec	School closes for Christmas at 12:00

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Reception places

A reminder that applications are open for primary school entry in September 2023. **The closing date is 15 January 2023 at 11:59pm.** You must apply on time. If you apply late, you are less likely to get offered a place at Warren Farm. There are lots of exciting plans in place for the future that will ensure that Warren Farm becomes the school of choice in Kingstanding. More information can be found here: [Apply online for a primary school](#)




Water Bottles

This week children across the school were really excited to receive their new water bottles. These bottles will be readily available during the day. Water is a **healthy** alternative to **sugar-sweetened** beverages. Research has found **that 1 in 5 children and adolescents do not drink any plain water during the day, and about half of school-aged children are under hydrated.** Drinking water improves memory and attention, helps children maintain a healthy weight, reduces the risk for some chronic diseases, such as type 2 diabetes and heart disease, and helps prevent dental cavities. Drinks other than water will not be permitted in classrooms and **must** be kept in bags to only be consumed at break and lunchtime.

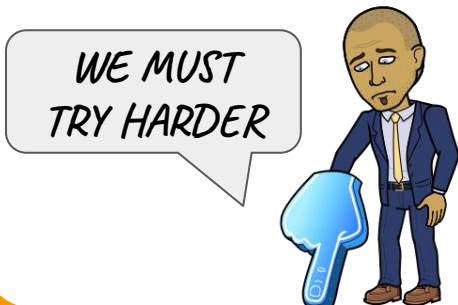


Attendance

	NAH	100%
	RSB	88.9%
	RLM	85.3%
	1CO	86%
	1/2KT	90.9%
	2HM	93.1%
	3CW	93.2%
	3/4SK	88.9%
	4DN	92%
	5AG	89.6%
	5/6NW	91.6%
	6EC	94%

Our whole school attendance for the Year so far is **93.2%**. This falls **WELL BELOW** our whole school target of **96%**. You will have already received our whole school attendance letter and Mrs Nandhra and Miss Garey have held the first round of attendance meetings before escalating attendance concerns of those children who are classified as 'Persistently Absent' further. If you child is not in school then they are not learning!

The Key message for everyone is clear...



Parent code of conduct

In order to safeguard children and staff we have a strict policy in school around the conduct of parents and carers. We expect everybody who enters our premises and/or has contact to treat staff, pupils, other parents and visitors with courtesy and respect at all times.

Any form of aggressive, abusive or insulting behaviour, or language from a parent that presents a real or perceived threat to the staff and/or pupils will not be tolerated. In such a circumstance, we have a power in common law to ban a parent from the premises.

As always we put the physical and emotional safety of our children and staff at the heart of all the decisions we make. It is, and will remain to be a priority of this school to ensure all staff, parents and pupils have the right to be in a positive environment.





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Year 5/6 Dodgeball Competition

On Monday 21st November, Miss Kelly and Mrs Blakemore took 8 Year 5 and 6 children to a Dodgeball competition at Erdington Academy. All the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves competing against other primary schools in Birmingham and displayed excellent honesty and teamwork skills.



Safeguarding

This week's focus is domestic abuse and the effect it can have on a child. Children can experience domestic abuse both directly whilst the abuse is happening or indirectly by hearing the abuse from another room. Some of the effects it can have on a child include; anxiety, depression and withdrawal. For more information regarding domestic abuse please visit

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-abuse-and-neglect/domestic-abuse>



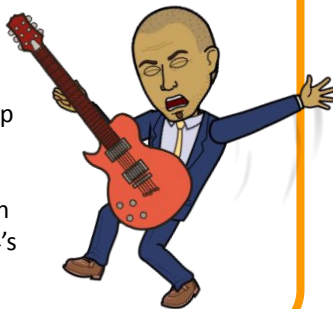
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RSB	Sundus Dayfallah
RLM	Kyle Chen
1CO	Maddie-Mai Weston
1/2KT	Darius Bustuic
2HM	Manteneh
3CW	Adam Fall
3/4SK	Jayden James
4DN	Clarice Foster
5AG	Timofei Cojuhar
5/6NW	Bailey Ray Hanna
6EC	Ibrahim Hanif

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Well done to everyone who has been working hard to improve their times tables on Times Tables Rockstars this week. 3CW, 5AG and 4DN have spent an average of 5 minutes a day improving their fluency!

Remember to encourage your child to log on as often as possible. 'Garage' games are targeted questions, focusing on the facts they need to help them get high scores.

'Soundcheck' games are identical to the Multiplication Tables Check which all Year 4's will take at the end of the year.



Christmas Fayre

The news everyone has been waiting for. I've spoken to Father Christmas and he has agreed to attend our Christmas Fayre. We will have a large inflatable Grotto to house Santa for the duration of the Fayre where he will listen to children's Christmas wish lists and each child will receive a small gift from Santa.



This week we have asked for donations of Bottles including drinks, shampoo, bubble bath and toiletry products. Next week donations of tins, canned goods and packets for our tombola stall will be greatly appreciated.





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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 which 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



WHATSAPP

UK AND EUROPE
16+
REST OF THE WORLD

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Fraudsters occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to win. Other common scams involve warning someone that their WhatsApp subscription has run out (aiming to dupe them into disclosing payment details) or impersonating a friend or relative and asking for money to be transferred to help with an emergency.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days by default. Photos and videos can also be instructed to disappear after the recipient has viewed them. These files can't be saved or forwarded – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove any wrongdoing. However, the receiver can take a screenshot and save that as evidence.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India in 2019, some outbreaks of mob violence appear to have been sparked by false allegations being shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hazardous theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

Group chat and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by an unkind comment or joke. The 'only admin' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a WhatsApp chat, you only need the mobile number of the person you want to message (the other person also needs to have the app). WhatsApp can access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts also use the app. So if your child has ever given their phone number to someone they don't know, that person could use it to contact them via WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

The 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a 'simple and secure way to let people know where you are.' It is a useful method for a young person to let loved ones know they're safe – but if they used it in a chat with people they don't know, they would be exposing their location to them, too.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CLICK HERE

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's phone number to add them as a contact, it's also worth altering a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody' – choosing one of the latter two ensures that your child's profile is better protected.

EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.

REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they'll be given the option to report it as spam. If the sender claims to be a friend or relative, call that person on their usual number to verify it really is them, or if it's someone trying to trick your child.

LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they don't want to be part of, they can use WhatsApp's group settings to leave. If someone exits a group, the admin can add them back in once; if they leave a second time, it is permanent.

THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'live location' function to show you or one of their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives a range of 'live location' options, and your child should manually stop sharing their position as soon as it is no longer needed.

DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child posts a message they want to delete, WhatsApp allows the user seven minutes to erase a message. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone.' However, it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.

CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was true or not.

Meet Our Expert

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FIFA WORLD CUP Qatar 2022

Fifa World Cup Competition

Children can choose a country that is competing in the World Cup and present information about this country in any way they choose. Be as creative as you like!

You can use some of the following ideas if you wish:

- Footballing history of the country
- Their current team
- How successful have they been in the past?
- Famous players
- Facts about the country- landmarks, population etc.



Top 3 prizes will be presented in each phase- EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and UKS2.

All entries need to be handed in by: Monday 12th December 2022



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