

NLS Newsletter

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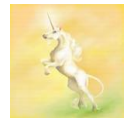
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House points

Congratulations to this week's winners: Dragon



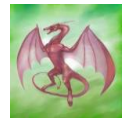
Pegasus- 13 points



Unicorn – 9 points



Phoenix – 11 points



Dragon – 15 points.

Diary Dates 2022/2023



Autumn Term 2022- Friday 2nd September to Friday 16th December

Inset days Thursday 1st September & Friday 21st October

Half term - Monday 24th to Friday 28th October

Individual & sibling photos Friday 25th November

Spring Term 2023- Tuesday 3rd January- Friday 31st March

Half term - Monday 13th to Friday 17th February

Summer Term 2023 - Monday 17th April to 20th July

Inset day 21st July

Half term - Monday 29th to Friday 2nd June

(2 more Inset days to be confirmed)



Cut off dates for booking meals via ParentPay

November Cut off Dates

Thursday 3/11 for w/c Monday 14/11
 Thursday 10/11 for w/c Monday 21/11
 Thursday 17/11 for w/c Monday 28/11
 Thursday 24/11 for w/c Monday 5/12

December Cut off Dates

Thursday 1/12 for w/c Monday 12/12
 Thursday 22/12 for w/c Tuesday 3/1
 Thursday 29/12 for w/c Monday 9/1

Ordering meals via ParentPay

Reminder that all school meals now need to be ordered via ParentPay. This is for all children in years R-2 & FSM children who do not bring in a packed lunch & those in year 3-6 who pay for meals. Please see the table above for the cut off dates.

Found

Found: house key & smaller (padlock?) key on lower playground. Please speak to the office staff to be reunited.

Children in Need

The children all look great in their spotty/yellow clothes today for Children in Need. Thank you so much for all those who bought raffle tickets via ParentPay- we managed to raise over £400 from the raffle- Betsie Tolooe-Bush, Stanley Guy & Charlie Vincent were the lucky raffle winners! Our money snake was a wriggling success- we made an astonishing £330.22 from just loose change- thank you so much to all our fabulous year 6 girls and the nurture children for all their valuable help.

WhatsApp

Reminder that WhatsApp is for 13 years and above. This is because younger children do not generally have the maturity to use it appropriately or safely. If you have taken the decision to allow your child to have access to WhatsApp, it is vital to check your child's devices regularly to ensure safe and appropriate use. It is frequently brought to our attention that WhatsApp in particular is used inappropriately and not monitored effectively. We would recommend that you remove your child's access to WhatsApp if you find they have misused it. Please see the leaflet at the end of the newsletter for more information.

Choir

We still have a few spaces available for year 3-6 at Choir club on Wednesdays. If your child would like to join please click on the following link for them to start next week: <https://forms.gle/Sba5sn9PxibPWjjM9> Mrs Harris looks forward to seeing you!

Driver required for school run

Driver required for school run from south Lancing for drop off on Mondays/Wednesday/Thursday & pick up Wednesday. All petrol will be covered. Perfect for someone already coming from south Lancing or maybe a grandparent at a loose end? For more details please contact the school office.

Christmas Wreath Workshop

Christmas wreath workshop, Thursday 8th December, 7-9pm in the school hall. Workshop includes step by step demonstration, all materials, glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. £25pp payable via ParentPay by 30th November.

Pupil Achievements

R Gained a Player of the Match trophy for Lancing colts U7s
J H completed a sponsored walk with her Brownie pack in aid of the NSPCC and raised £50
E F raised £210 for the children's hospital Pyjama charity.

Weekly Reading winners

T T, E C, H D, M HC, M S

Headteacher's Awards

D B, N S, A T



Christmas Wreath Workshop

Thursday 8th December

7-9pm
School Sports Hall
£25pp

The workshop includes step by step demonstration, all the materials you need to make a festive wreath, a glass of mulled wine and mince pie.

Payment to be made via Parent Pay by 30th November



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



WHATSAPP



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 dig 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 2018, 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 use 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

Parveen Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Click: a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.



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#WakeUpWednesday

JOIN US FOR OUR

LANCING CHRISTMAS VILLAGE FAYRE & TRAIL

26th NOVEMBER
10AM TO 1PM . SOUTH STREET

10am Sompting Village Primary School Choir . 11am Lancing Brass Band Community Carols.
12pm Matthew English Violinist . Food Market . Children's rides



Special appearance by Father
Christmas arriving on a steam
engine with free present for
every child

