

Wrap Around Care

Thank you for all your responses for wrap around care, there will be a letter to follow with more details of how we're progressing with this. We've had some very positive feedback so we're looking into providing this provision.

Friends of School are holding a meeting on Tuesday 13th Nov at 6.30pm to organise the Christmas Fayre.

Please come along to the meeting and maybe there is some small element of the fayre you could contribute to: ie wrapping presents, filling sweet jars, raffles, tombolas, games stalls etc. There's no pressure to do anything, sometimes it's just great to have some new ideas!

Many hands make light work!



Forest School—Year 1 having fun making dens and hedgehogs out of clay and sticks.



Please remember to bring your raincoats into school every day—it may be dry in the morning but change by the end of the day.

Thank you to all those parents who've supported us with our St Mary's challenge. Teachers are reporting improved progress, directly related to increased attendance. The classes with 100% attendance are enjoying the rewards ...and the challenges they're setting Mrs Landry! Our current whole school is 96.6% - so we're nearing our goal of 97% so please keep up the good work.



Dates for your diary

Fri 16th Nov—Children in Need (spots/stripes theme)
Mon 19th—Parents online Safety Training 3.15pm
Tues 20th—Year 4 Antony House trip

Mass

School Masses are continuing to be held in St Mary's Church. Please find dates and time below—everyone is welcome to join us!

tea cups and saucers!



2nd Nov—Yr 3 & 5 = 100%

9th Nov—Yr 3 = 100%

Fantastic Attendance! Well done to everyone in these Year groups for ensuring you're here every day.

Online Chat



After talking to parents it's come to our attention that it's sometimes difficult to talk to children about their online activity. We have found the attached leaflet which may help. It contains 7 questions to help you start a conversation with your children about online safety. Please ask the questions and open discussion with them, it's vital you're aware of what they're doing in order to keep them safe.



Fire Service Visit Our thanks to Bodmin Fire Service for visiting Nursery & Reception for their topic on 'People who help us'.



In Nursery, we have been learning all about the Diwali celebration, 'The Festival of Light'. We learnt about Rama and Sita and how good always triumphs over dark, moulded our own Diva lights out of clay, created amazing Rangoli patterns and enjoyed dressing up and dancing to Indian Music.



Dinner Money

Please can we remind you to put your child's dinner money in a bag or envelope **with their name on and when the meals are required.** Bank cash bags are available from the office if needed.





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Which apps/games are you using at the moment?

THIS WILL GIVE YOU A GOOD OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF THINGS YOUR CHILDREN ARE DOING ON THEIR DEVICES, ALONG WITH THEIR INTERESTS. REMEMBER THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TELL YOU EVERYTHING THEY ARE USING, SO IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO ASK THEM TO SHOW YOU THEIR DEVICE. BECAUSE NEW APPS AND GAMES ARE RELEASED REGULARLY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION OFTEN TO ENSURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING.



Which websites do you enjoy using and why?

AS IN THE TIP ABOVE, ASKING THIS QUESTION WILL ALLOW YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT YOUR CHILD IS DOING ONLINE, AND ENCOURAGE POSITIVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THEIR ONLINE ACTIVITY. ASK THEM HOW THEY USE THE WEBSITES, AND TAKE AN INTEREST IN HOW THEY CAN USE THEM IN A POSITIVE WAY, ALSO ASKING THEM TO SHOW YOU IF POSSIBLE.

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How does this game/app work? Can I play?

SHOW A GENUINE INTEREST IN WHAT THEY ARE DOING. WHILST YOU ARE PLAYING A GAME OR USING AN APP WITH THEM, IT MIGHT HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T NECESSARILY THINK IS A DANGER TO THEM. IF THEY ACT LIKE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH YOU, QUESTION WHY.

Do you have any online friends?

CHILDREN CAN FORM POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE ONLINE, AND THIS HAS BECOME MORE COMMON THANKS TO ONLINE MULTI-PLAYER OPTIONS, BUT THEY MAY NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FRIEND AND A STRANGER. YOU COULD MAKE THE QUESTION MORE SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD, FOR EXAMPLE: "HAVE YOU MET ANYONE ONLINE THAT YOU LIKE TO PLAY GAMES WITH?" THEY MAY NOT WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOU, SO ENSURE YOU TEACH THEM ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.



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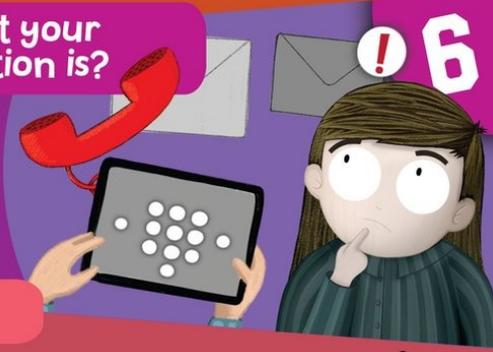


Do you know where to go for help?

ALTHOUGH YOU MAY BE THE ADULT THEY TRUST THE MOST, SOME CHILDREN STRUGGLE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS ONLINE DUE TO CONFUSION OR EMBARRASSMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THEY MAY STRUGGLE TO APPROACH THE NORMAL PEOPLE WHO WOULD HELP, SUCH AS YOURSELF OR A TEACHER. HAVE A CHAT TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT EXACTLY WHERE THEY CAN GO FOR HELP, AND HOW THEY CAN REPORT ANY ACTIVITY THAT THEY BELIEVE IS INAPPROPRIATE ONLINE.

Do you know what your personal information is?

YOUR CHILD MAY ALREADY KNOW WHAT THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS BUT THEY MIGHT NOT THINK ABOUT HOW IT CAN BE SHARED. HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION IS AND HOW THIS CAN AFFECT THEM IF IT IS SHARED BEYOND THE INTENDED RECIPIENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD UNDERSTANDS THE DANGERS OF SHARING CONTACT DETAILS OR PHOTOS, AS INFORMATION SUCH AS THIS CAN SPREAD QUICKLY ONLINE.



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Do you know your limits?

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