



The Wickford C of E School



Newsletter

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ATTENDANCE

TARGET: 100%

WHOLE SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE FOR THIS

WEEK: 99.5%

CLASS ATTENDANCE:

Penguin: 100%

Wren: 99.1%

Puffin: 99.1%

Robin: 100%

Flamingo: 100%

Parrot: 98.7%

PADDINGTONS:

Penguin: Thomas, Shannel, Ariella and Harry

Wren: Cameron, Albie, Thomas and George

Puffin: Stanley, Kaitlin, Christian and Erin

Robin: Ethan, Sophie M, Max and Evie

Flamingo: All Flamingo Class

Parrot: All Parrot Class

GOLDEN TABLE:

Penguin: Thomas

Wren: Lilly

Puffin: Zachary

Robin: Evie

Flamingo: Max

Parrot: Ariella

Dear Parent/Carer

It has been a fantastic week, the children have worked hard and we are beginning to settle into routines. The children have enjoyed attending clubs and seeing this extra bit of 'fun' being enjoyed has been a pleasure.

HOLIDAYS AT INDUCTION I did speak about the impact holidays have on all children's learning. Please do consider lost learning when making bookings. We do have a two week half term coming up.

LOST PROPERTY Please make sure ALL your child's clothes are named. Lilly B in year 2 has mislaid her fleece. Please check you do not have this by mistake.

A REMINDER ABOUT THE BIG BREAKFAST This year's Big Harvest Breakfast will take place on Thursday 4th October with doors opening at 8am.

We are asking that each class makes donations of food or drink to cater for the 200+ members of our community who come together on this day. The children usually come dressed in PJs (sometimes over uniform) and some brave parents join in as well! Please do support this event as without donations we have some fast shopping to do. Donations of goodies will be as follows:

Parrot - Milk - we will need quite a bit!

Flamingo - Cereal

Wren - Cereal

Puffin - Bread and butter

Robin- Jams, marmalades, fruit juices

Penguin- Pastries e.g. pain au chocolat, brioche, croissants.

Please bring donations into school by Wednesday 3rd October. Please remember that we are a nut free school, so please bring in only nut free spreads/cereals etc. Many thanks for your support of this wonderful event.

SHARING ASSEMBLY Friday 28th September will be sharing for year 1.

TOP TECH TIP Please see the attached information sheet regarding YouTube

SLEEPOVER INFORMATION There will be a meeting for year 2 parents on Monday 1st October regarding the sleepover on Friday 7th December. This meeting is compulsory if you would like your child to attend the sleepover, so please add the date to your diary.

VILLAGE AFRICA We are linked with a school in the Tanga region of Tanzania. We are fortunate to regularly have the founder, Caroline Johnston visit. When she is with us she shares information and learning experiences.

If you are a Year 2 parent you will recall that this charity was our fundraising focus two years ago and we were proud to have raised a total that supported the the ambulance system that they have in place.

We feel it is invaluable for our children to learn about life outside of Wickford. Please feel free to share the following link with your child; the 'gallery' being the prime focus.

www.villageafrica.org.uk.

MOMENTS OF LOVELINESS The Golden Table was a delight! I am very proud of Zachary, Thomas, Evie, Max and Ariella. It was a pleasure to sit with children recognised for their good manners and table behaviours, well done!

This week we have introduced 'real' (not plastic) plates, cutlery and glasses to our Year 2 children. They have really enjoyed this little bit of responsibility and luckily have not shown any tendencies of throwing them!

As the year progresses we will introduce this idea to the rest of the school.

MANY THANKS to Miss Bristow for presenting Year 1 phonics and maths to so many parents. Thank you for your support. If you were unable to attend and would like more information, please see your child's teacher.

HIRE THE HALL

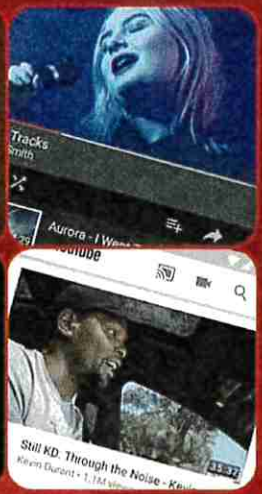
Need to organise a children's party? Need some space to run an event? If so, please note that the school hall is available for hire. Prices start at £85 for a three hour slot, but we can arrange bookings for shorter or longer periods to suit your needs. Just call into the office if you are interested.

See you Monday! Have a lovely weekend.

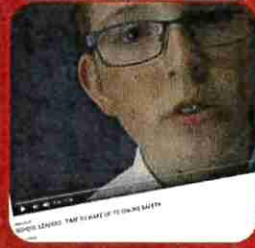
Mrs Johnson and the CofE team.



YouTube is a video sharing site/application that enables you to upload, view, rate, share and comment on a wide variety of videos. Consisting of a huge resource of information, advice and entertainment, YouTube now has 1.9 billion logged-in monthly users who watch a billion hours of video daily. Most of the content on Google-owned YouTube is uploaded by individuals, but organisations and media companies also offer some of their content via this platform.



AGE RESTRICTION
13+



What parents need to know about YouTube

SPENDING A PREMIUM
YouTube Premium (formerly YouTube Red) is a new paid streaming subscription service in the UK, offering a three-month free trial to tempt viewers into a £12-per-month plan. This includes the ability to download videos, stream videos with the app in the background, gives exclusive access to original content and a separate music streaming service and gaming app.

DANGEROUS 'CHALLENGE' & VIRAL VIDEOS
On YouTube, 'challenge videos' are shared quickly and can be very dangerous. One person may post a video of themselves doing something unusual like eating a hot chilli or jumping in a river and before you know it, the video goes viral and everyone wants to join in and share their videos. The speed in which challenge videos spread across the Internet makes it difficult to keep up with the latest ones.

SHARING VIDEOS
As well as watching videos, many children are keen to share their own videos online, emulating their YouTube heroes, such as Stampy or DanTDM. However, if they post something on YouTube, they may later regret it or feel embarrassed about what they have shared. There is also a risk that they will receive hurtful or negative comments regarding not only their content, but also their appearance. YouTube's comment section is infamous for being one of the most opinionated on the Internet.

IN-APP MESSAGING
When your child is logged into their Google account and browsing the YouTube website, they can share and talk about videos with their friends using the chat bubble. This can be found at the top right of the desktop site or through in-app messaging on their mobile or tablet. When they tap on the 'Friends' icon, they have a list of suggested people from their contacts - which can be any contact they've had on Google or somebody who has sent them an invite link.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE VIDEOS
As YouTube is the biggest video sharing website in the world, there is content available for all ages, meaning that some content will not be appropriate for your child. If you think that content is unsuitable, there is a flagging feature to submit it for review by YouTube staff, but you will need to be aware that just because video is not appropriate for a younger audience, it may not violate YouTube's policies. YouTube has mechanisms in place to automatically remove explicit and harmful content, yet offensive content may still slip through.



National Online Safety

Top Tips for Parents

TURN ON 'RESTRICTED' MODE
'Restricted Mode' is an optional setting you can use to help screen out potentially mature content. You may prefer your child not to see. Restricted Mode works on the browser or device level, so must be turned on for each browser or device your child uses. To do this, follow these steps:

- Desktop:**
 - Go to the bottom of any YouTube page and switch 'Restricted Mode' to 'ON'.
 - To make it more difficult for this to be turned off, you will be given the option to lock restricted mode onto your browser.
- Mobile:**
 - Tap the three vertical dots at the top-right on the screen and press, 'Settings'.
 - Click on 'Restricted mode filtering'.
 - Press 'Restrict'.

Please note that you can't 'lock' restricted mode on a phone in the same way that you can on a desktop. You will need to turn this on each time your child uses it.

CREATE A FAMILY GOOGLE ACCOUNT
By having a shared family Google account, checking the history will enable you to see exactly what your child is watching and sharing on YouTube. To see the history on a computer, on the right hand menu under the library section, click 'History'. On mobiles, the viewing history can be found by clicking on the 'Library' tab.

BLOCKING ACCOUNTS
When using YouTube, there may be instances where your child receives negative comments. If somebody's giving your child a difficult time, here's how to block them and prevent future comments and replies:

- Go to their channel/account by clicking on their name.
- Click on 'About'.
- Tap the dropdown box with an image of a flag on it.
- Press 'Block user'.
- Tap 'Submit'.

MONITOR WHAT YOUR CHILD IS WATCHING/POSTING
The only way to truly know what your child may be watching is to regularly monitor them. You can do this by checking their viewing history. YouTube videos can also be easily downloaded, so it is important that your child understands the associated dangers of content they are uploading and that it could harm their online reputation in the future. Show them how to set their videos to private or choose a small network of YouTubers to share with. To get started, your child can use YouTube Studio which offers learning modules on creating a YouTube channel, however, you should encourage them not to use their real name.

NEW FEATURES
DIGITAL WELLBEING
YouTube has launched a tool called 'Time Watched' that allows you to see how long has been spent on the platform. Once you have discovered how much time has been spent on the app, there is the option to set a time limit. Once the limit is reached, a reminder will pop up on the screen. You can also disable sounds and vibrations to help resist the urge to check for notifications.

OPT FOR A FAMILY PREMIUM PLAN
A YouTube family Premium plan may be a cost-effective option if you have more than one child. For £17.99 a month, it allows you to share a YouTube paid membership with up to five other family members - aged 13 and older - living in the same household. As the account holder, or family manager, you must create a Google family account.

MANAGING IN-APP MESSAGES
If your child is accessing YouTube via your account, bear in mind that they may be contacted by Google contacts who are complete strangers to them. You can remove someone from the suggested contacts list by pressing and holding the person's name and tapping on the red 'x'.

POPULAR YOUTUBE GAMERS
There are hundreds of YouTube accounts which show other people playing and commenting on games. These are called 'Let's Play' videos. While YouTube can be a great resource for hints, tips and news for games, it is a good idea for parents to keep a close eye on what YouTube's are posting. Often, the games they are playing will contain strong language and violence. A few examples of popular YouTube gamers for you to have a look at are:

- Stampy
- Yogscast Lewis & Simon
- PewDiePie
- EthanGamer
- Markiplier
- PopularMMOs
- Captainsparklez
- Jacksepticeye
- LtCorbis
- Dan TDM

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