

'And now we have these three: faith and hope and love, but the greatest of these is love.'
1 Corinthians 13:13



Changing Weather



With the weather being so unpredictable at the minute, it is really important that all children have a coat. We aim to get the children outside every day, so please ensure that they come to school with the appropriate clothing.

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club opens at 8.00am, the club is now open to Nursey children. The club offers healthy breakfast options for £2.00 a day. Please book your child's place via Arbor. Free spaces available for pupil premium children (free school meals).

Arbor

We would like to say thank you to the parents that came along to the Drop in Arbor sessions last week. We hope that you found it useful.

Harvest Festival



It is the time of year again where we celebrate our harvest festival in school. We will be celebrating this in school on 5th October 2023. We are continuing to raise money and collect donations for The Trussell Trust this year, which works to provide emergency food and support to those who need it.

If you are able, please send any food bank donations in the week of the 2nd October. We would love to collect pasta, rice, tinned foods etc. but the food bank have also requested toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Donations can be dropped off in the office or given to the class teacher. Thank you for supporting our local community.



School Artwork

During the summer break our school corridors and main hall had a bit of a make-over! They now show case some fantastic artwork, contributing to our positive learning environment and highlighting our core values.



Learning we've been buzzing about this week!

Nursery News

Nursery have been sorting different objects into groups and recognising that they are the same.



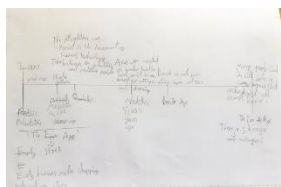
Reception News

This week in Reception we have been matching objects to their initial sounds. We have also been trying hard to write the sounds that we can hear in words.



Year 3 News

In year 3 we have just finished learning about The Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We made a timeline to show all that we have learnt!



Year 4 News

Year 4 learning about how Hindu beliefs about God are linked to how they live their lives!



Year 6 News

In year 6 we have been working on hand eye coordination in PE with some very competitive games of tag netball



Term Dates

Autumn Term

Mid Term Break Monday 16th – Friday 20th October 2023

School Closes Friday 22nd December 2023

Spring Term

School Opens Tuesday 9th January 2024

Mid Term Break Monday 19th - Friday 23rd February 2024

School Closes Friday 22nd March 2024

Summer Term

School Opens Monday 8th April 2024

May Day Monday 6th May 2024

Mid Term Break Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024

School Closes Wednesday 10th July 2024

School Attendance

The table shows attendance for week ending 15th September 2023

Class	Attendance (%)
Reception	98.95
1	85
2	93.7
3	97.74
4	90.91
5	88.67
6	89.26
Total	91.92

Congratulations go to reception for the highest attendance of 98.95

Food Bank

The food bank runs on a Monday at school from 8.40am -10.00am. Please remember to be able to have a food parcel you will need to have had a referral. To do this call into the school office and make an appointment to see Charmaine Townend. We can also offer Hygiene packages, fuel support and debt advice If you feel that you need any confidential support for any of these please ask to speak to Charmaine Townend



Twitter



For lots of information about what is happening, please follow us on twitter @BSTP_Risemat

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 28th September - open evening Beaumont Leys School
 Friday 13th October – School closes for Half Term
 Monday 23rd October – Pupils return to school
 Monday 6th November Flu Immunisation Reception – Year 6
 Friday 1st December RISE Santa fun run.
 Tuesday 12th December –Peter Pan pantomime, whole school Loughborough.
 Friday 22nd December – School closes for Christmas Holiday.
 Tuesday 9th January – Pupils return to school.



Internet Safety



All 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

With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients; not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging. WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing its service in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

AGE RESTRICTION
 16+
 In UK and Europe; rest of the world 13+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EVOLVING SCAMS
 WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency'. Plus a scam where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then (posing as WhatsApp), call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS
 To start a chat, someone only needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user that they want to message. If your child has ever given their number out to someone they don't know, that person could then contact them via WhatsApp. It's also possible that your child might be added to a group chat (by one of their friends, for example) containing other people that they don't know.

FAKE NEWS
 WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a 'Forwarded many times' label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from original – and might not be entirely factual, either.

VIEW ONCE CONTENT
 The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts. Knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct, people used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased privacy.

CHAT LOCK
 Another new option allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. The risk here is that this function creates the potential for young people to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of (such as age-inappropriate material).

VISIBLE LOCATION
 WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safety on the way home, for example. However, anyone in your child's contacts list or in a mutual group chat can also track their location – potentially letting strangers identify a child's home address or journeys that they make regularly.

Advice for Parents & Carers ...TYPING...

EMPHASISE CAUTION
 Encourage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: get them to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

THINKING BEFORE SHARING
 Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.

ADJUST THE SETTINGS
 It's wise to change your child's WhatsApp settings (go to 'Privacy', then 'Groups') to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval; you can give permission to 'My Contacts' or 'My Contacts Except...'. Additionally, if your child needs to use 'live location', emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY
 Some parents like to check in with their child about how they're using WhatsApp, explaining that it will help to keep them safe. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of chats that are in there, who they're with and why your child wants to keep them hidden. Also, if your child has sent any 'view once' content, you could discuss their reasons for using this feature.

Meet Our Expert
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