

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2023



Reminders

Flu Vaccination

Please can we remind all parents to complete the Flu Vaccination form (see link below) whether you would like your child to **receive the vaccine or not**. You should have also received a paper form, please complete these if you would like your child to have the vaccine. If you are having trouble with either of the forms or need another paper copy please ask at the School Office. The immunisation team will be here all day on **18th October** so if you have any questions please pop in and a nurse will be happy to chat to you.

School Photographs

Children will bring their school photographs home with them today. If you would like to purchase any of the photographs please complete the form and send it back to school along with the payment. Please ensure payments are in a sealed named envelope or sealed in the proof plastic wallet provided.

Superstar Learners of the week

Congratulations to this week's Superstar Learners of the week who are:

Kestrels - Kathleen
Ravens - Tara
Falcons - Poppy

Stars of the week

Congratulations to this week's Stars of the week who are:

Kestrels - Isabella
Ravens - Frankie
Falcons - Lacy

ATTENDANCE

The class with the highest attendance this week is:
Kestrels

Key Dates

Tuesday 17th October
Parents evening for Owls and Ravens

Wednesday 18th October
Parents evening for Kestrels and Falcons

Wednesday 18th October
Flu Vaccination - please complete form via link [here](#) - school code is **BW111210**

Wednesday 25th October
Deadline for return of School photograph orders

Thursday 26th October
Break up for half term

Monday 6th November
Back to school after half term break

Toiletries donations

Thank you to those who have already sent in their toiletries donations. Please continue to send them in to support Bobby's collection for Alder Hey.

Free Uniform

There is a clothes rail of new and clean pre-loved uniform, shoes and pumps, in the school reception area. Please feel free to take any items your child/children may need.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

HALLOWEEN SWAP SHOP



DO YOU HAVE ANY
OUTGROWN COSTUMES
STILL IN GOOD
CONDITION?

BRING THEM TO SCHOOL
BY FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER.

WE WILL OPEN THE
HALLOWEEN SWAP SHOP
ON TUESDAY 24TH
OCTOBER AND THURSDAY
26TH OCTOBER FROM 3PM
IN THE COMMUNITIY ROOM.





DECIDING WHAT IS APPROPRIATE

The online world gives children access to a huge amount of information, but the scale of information available also means that there is content that is inappropriate for children. What is or is not appropriate is up to individual parents and carers to decide. Your decisions may be based on: age, ability, beliefs and family values.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

Parental controls are software tools that allow you to monitor and limit what your child sees and does online. Parental controls allow you to block and filter inappropriate content, monitor your child's use of connected devices and set time limits, blocking access after certain times. They work across your WiFi, phone network, individual apps and devices.

Parental controls can help you to:

- plan what time of day your child can go online and how long for
- create content filters to block apps that may have inappropriate content
- manage the content different family members can see.



HOME BROADBAND AND WIFI

Home internet providers can offer parental controls for your family. You can:

- use a filter from your internet provider to control the content that you and your family see.
- set up any device connected to your home broadband. How you do this depends on your provider and you'll need to access your home router. You can ask your internet provider for help setting this up.
- Remember that this only affects your child accessing the internet through the WiFi – if they are using 4G or 5G etc to connect you need to check the settings on their mobile device too (see mobiles, tablets and computers section)



GAMES CONSOLES

Most games consoles have internet access, which means your child can go online and chat with other players or make in-game purchases. On many consoles there are parental controls which allow you to manage which features are available to your child. On some devices you can:

- turn off chat functions to stop your child from talking to people they don't know
- restrict games based on age
- turn off in-game purchases, or set a limit.

Check the website for the console your child has for a parents section and details of features. Some games also allow you to change settings for that individual game.



MOBILES, TABLETS AND COMPUTERS

All mobiles, tablets and computers have parental control settings, which can differ between devices, these include:

- allowing or disallowing in-game or in-app purchases
- settings such as location settings and what information your child is sharing
- wellbeing settings to help with limiting screen time.

Apple operating systems from iOS12 enable you to restrict access to browsers and applications, in-app purchasing, social networking, inappropriate internet content, sharing of data (including photos and location), media streaming and online gaming.



APPS AND ONLINE SERVICES

Many social media, apps and online services such as film and TV streaming services have features such as:

- content filters
- chat filters
- privacy settings
- in-app purchase settings.

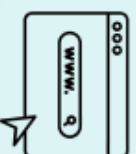
You can find out about these features by looking in the settings on each app, or take a look at their website for more information. They might be called settings, family features, privacy or security.

Facebook has a Parents portal which helps explain the features available. **You must be 13 years old to have your own Facebook account.**

For Netflix, you need to visit the website to set up parental controls – we suggest you do this as soon as you create an account. +

Microsoft Family Safety – by creating a family group you can manage many settings, such as setting screen time limits, blocking inappropriate content, receive activity reports, set app and game limits and more. To learn more about Microsoft Family Safety see the Microsoft page and Xbox Family Settings.

YouTube Kids offers family friendly content along with parental controls that can set time limits on apps and turn off search functionality. **This is a safer app than YouTube.**



SEARCH ENGINES

We all use search engines to find information online, and so do our kids, but with that open access comes the risk of seeing inappropriate material. Sometimes, innocent searches can lead to not so innocent results. If you're worried:

- make sure the content your child sees online is appropriate for their age by using parental controls and filters in search engines like Google, Yahoo and Bing
- make sure you have set parental controls on the home broadband and devices.

[Google Family Link](#) – a very useful app to manage a range of features such as restricting content, approving or disapproving apps, setting screen time and more.

Safe browsing tips

- Encourage younger children to always ask an adult before clicking on an 'Accept' or 'OK' button on a website as sites may display other messages or disclaimers that require a response.
- Help minimise the risk of your child coming across unsuitable websites accidentally by setting up bookmarks in their browser for sites you would like them to use.

Need more help?

Call the NSPCC on **0800 800 5000**, email **help@nspcc.org.uk** or fill in **[their online form](#)** to get advice and support from safeguarding experts.



INTERNET SAFETY

PARENTAL CONTROLS



Understanding your own trauma

To support your emotional wellbeing, this online course is designed to help learners to:

- understand the diverse nature and impact of trauma experiences
- learn effective ways to process trauma
- nurture resilience through healthy relationships
- understand more about emotional health and wellbeing

Created by experts in trauma and recovery
Private, self-paced learning available any time



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