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School is closed on Monday for the Bank holiday. Enjoy the long weekend!

What's happening in school next week?

- School is closed on Monday 3rd for May Day!
- Mrs. Marsh is teaching Class 4 on Wednesday and Thursday.
- Mr. Barker is teaching Class 5 on Wednesday afternoon.
- On Wednesday we will be sending out letters to parents of possible Nursery children for September. If you haven't registered your child yet, and you'd like them to come, please do so ASAP.
- Mrs. Heavens is teaching Class 6 on Thursday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- Class 1 have Forest School on Friday
- On Friday (7th), we're taking part in the NSPCC Dress up for Digits Day (£2 donation via ParentPay)

Looking ahead to the w.b. 10th May 2021

- Mrs. Marsh is teaching Class 4 on Wednesday & Thursday.
- Mrs. Heavens is teaching Class 7 on Thursday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 6 on Friday.
- Class 1 have Forest School on Friday.
- Miss Maclean is at First aid training on Friday. Mrs. Charlesworth will be supporting Class 2.

Attendance

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 95%

Class 4: 98%

Class 5: 100%

Class 6: 95%

Class 7: 100%

Class 8: 97%

Our target attendance is 96%

This week's attendance is 97.9%

Well done Classes 1, 5 & 7.

We have got to receive the guidance around how school will be in September, in terms of Covid-19 and the protocols. There are sure to be some. What we will continue with is hand sanitising as it definitely helped to reduce the number of bugs and illnesses in school.

Attendance has never been better.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week.....

Daisy-Anne Todd Greenfield for her passion for life, sense of fun and for making me laugh. 'Good morning Daisy-Anne.' I say. 'Good morning Mrs T. I have another name.' 'Do you?' I ask thinking she is going to tell me her middle name. 'Yes. Shine like a diamond. Daisy-Anne, Shine Like A Diamond, Todd-Greenfield.' If you want a job that makes you smile every day, work in a school.

Who knows which class has the most VIP tickets? I haven't counted them yet! Assembly on Tuesday.

Nursery News

We have been all over on our red train this week. We have visited the park, the zoo, the seaside and Fox Valley. We have made hot air balloons that we saw sailing over and chalked giant train tracks to drive along. The station was a busy place but tickets were bought before being collected by the guards. We have looked at and counted different types of trains and traced over the patterns the tracks have made. How do we fit it all in?

Superstar of the week

This week we said goodbye to Isla. She has been such a lovely little girl to have in Nursery and I know the teachers and children will really miss her. We wish her luck on her new adventure.

Alice Spencer is a kind, friendly young lady who will stop and help in any way she can. She is a good friend to others and is becoming more and more confident. She has asked some very sensible questions this week. Well done Alice.



Who has celebrated their birthday since our last newsletter?

Jack Mitchell, Logan Cromwell, Nathaniel Tym, Kit Parsons and Erin Cottam.

We hope you had a lovely birthday.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	May Day Bank Holiday	Beef burger in a bun Homemade wedges	Roast chicken with roast potatoes. Yorkshire pudding & gravy	Homemade chicken pie & mash	Fish fingers & chips with tomato ketchup
Dish of the day 2		Veggie burger in a bun. Homemade wedges	Quorn roast with stuffing, mashed potato & gravy	Cheddar flan with homemade potato wedges	Quorn fajita & chips or vegetable sausage fajita
Oven baked jacket potato		Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)
Sandwich option		Ham sandwich	Ham sandwich	Ham on bread cake	Ham sandwich
		Tuna sandwich	Tuna sandwich	Tuna on bread cake	Tuna sandwich
		(V) Cheese sandwich	(V) Cheese sandwich	(V) Cheese on bread cake	(V) Cheese sandwich
Vegetables		Garden peas Fresh salad	Savoy cabbage Mixed vegetables	Cauliflower Sliced green beans	Garden peas Baked beans
Desserts		Apple crumble & custard	Chocolate crunch with vanilla sauce/custard	Marble sponge with custard	Crunch biscuit served with apple slices.

It's been lovely to welcome Ryan and Sophie to our school this week.

Tweak of the Week.

This week it was to **'Show good manners. Say good morning each day.'** The winners were **Class 1**

Next week's Tweak of the Week is **'Show respect for adults, each other and property.'** I have had to speak with some (albeit only a few) children this week about the lack of respect they are showing adults- mainly by not listening and answering back. We've also had soap dispensers broken with children really pulling on them until they snap. All in the life of an infant school!

Mathletics

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved a certificate in Mathletics this week.

Bronze

Jake Wragg, Emily Veale, Georgia England-Woodcock, Charlotte England-Woodcock.

Well done to you all. These children will soon have enough certificates to decorate a wall.



This week's praise board



Oliver Cawthorne for helping grown-ups at lunchtime. Thanks Oliver.

Heath Dyson for always listening and doing exactly as the grown-ups ask him.

Morgan Leggett just quietly gets on with his jobs. No fuss, no bother.

Lots of adults comment on Iqra Sajid for how smiley and polite she is.

Holly-Mae Galloway made Mrs Hutchinson's day when she told her 'she liked her learning.'

William Machin has been helping others with their learning. He has also shown super polite manners in school.

Logan Cordon has come to school this week, ready to learn. Well done Logan.

Chloe Green asked Miss Denton if she was ok and whether she needed a hug.

Max Graves is a real asset in Forest Schools. He knows all about different leaves.

Lunar Richardson for being such a kind and caring friend. We're so glad you came to our school Lunar.





This week's praise board



Henry Hollis for noticing a classmate kept forgetting their snack and solving a problem.

Ellis Chadwick is such a happy young man. He sings as he completes his work and it makes those around him happy too.

Harris King for returning to school with a cheerful, happy attitude. He was also spotted helping a friend who was hurt

Sunny Storey for doing amazing reading and writing this week.

Corey Brookes for being kind and helpful. He looked after Harry when he had a nose bleed.

Harry Powell is a maths whizz. He's been learning his times tables at home! We're also going to employ him to teach phonics as he can explain precisely what a split digraph is.

Emily Russon is trying very hard to learn to write her name. Her letter formation is beautiful.

Ava Jones, Alife Hanson and Sameer Sajid have worked hard to learn some new keywords this week.

Ryan has settled in so well. He has joined in with everything and made new friends already.

Hattie Simpson for being so kind and caring to everyone.

Summer Stevenson for getting herself out of the blue and into the green with a bit of dancing. It worked wonders.

Mollie Steele-Birch has joined in with all the active challenges this week for The Big Pedal to earn our school credit. Thanks Mollie.

Elodie Proctor, Laila Clarke and Holly Gillott picked up all the little cocktail sticks Mrs. Greenwood dropped. She was very grateful.

Marcie Anderson for being so considerate to a member of Class 2 during a game of hangman.

Mariella Batty and Sophie Barber for reminding Class 4 that when little things go wrong, 'we never give up and we keep on trying.'

Alfie Bishop for being so wonderful at everything and earning two VIP tickets in 1 day.

Emily Chappell for always trying so hard at everything she des and doing everything that is asked of her. She's amazing.

Louise Beechill has helped Mrs Costello all week.

Eva Nicholson for trying hard in maths, even when it got a little tricky.

Esther Muhone for helping other children with their learning.

Ashton-Jay Millington was a superstar in PE

Oscar Guy is a super sweeper-upper (even though it made his hands ache).

Reuben Priestley fixed Class 1's weather gauge without being asked.

BRANCHING OUT DANCING

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New Classes

2021

Branching Out Dancing have been established since 1990 with Saturday morning classes held in the North of Sheffield. Our main focus is fun, friendship, fitness and, after the crazy year that 2020 was, STRUCTURE! The classes are COVID safe with all relevant procedures in place.

Saturday morning classes -

Class 1 - Preschool - (under 5's) 10.00am - 10.30am - £3.00

Class 2 - Over 5's - 11.00am - 12.00pm - £4.00

At the **Inman Pavilion, Moorland Drive, Stocksbridge, Sheffield. S36 1EG**
(just along from Stocksbridge Leisure Centre).

****Book bag leaflets or "in house" dance sessions can be arranged.**

Please contact us for more information via email

branchingoutdancing@live.co.uk, visit our Facebook page or website (see above).

Come and join the fun!

Nikki and Karen

Branching Out Dancing

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

ROBLOX



With more than 150 million users worldwide, Roblox is one of the most popular video games of recent times. Roblox allows users to create their own gaming experiences using Roblox Studio: building levels and games then allowing other people to play them. Similarly, players can play each other's creations, either on their own or with other people online. While it's a tool that can help foster creative thinking, Roblox is also intermittently in the news amid concerns over young users' safety.

No Age Rating

Roblox is rated 7+ by PEGI, but the platform itself doesn't have a minimum age requirement. It does ask for a date of birth when registering, but this can be easily fabricated. The sheer quantity of games available on Roblox means that some will fall into teen/adult categories. Users can also interact with each other freely – and the game has, historically, attracted scammers, griefers and online predators.



Chat Functionality

Users can join group chats with almost anyone through the Chat & Party function. While the chat has some filters, predators still try to find ways around these to prey on young children. There have been recent reports of adults pretending to be children, attempting to groom younger players and encouraging them to chat privately in an unmoderated environment away from the game.

In-App Purchases

Robux is the in-game currency used to buy things like special outfits or emotes, and to play certain sections of the game. A subscription service (costing £4.99 per month) called Roblox Premium offers more privileges and more in-game currency. Robux can also be purchased in batches, for up to £4.99. Children can easily pay for these, or purchase a membership, without realising it.



ODers

An 'ODer' (online dater) joins Roblox to find someone to 'date' online. While there's nothing inherently wrong with finding love on the internet, it becomes an issue in a space that's populated by children and young teens, like Roblox. Online dating is against Roblox's community guidelines, but certain player-built games on the platform are specifically for 'ODers' and should be avoided by children.

Online Predators

Roblox's developers aim to maintain a safe place for children; they employ human moderators for their players' protection. But there will, sadly, always be individuals who try to bypass these safeguards so they can chat to children and attempt to communicate outside the game. Anyone asking for your child's personal information or to talk privately should be blocked and reported.



Advice for Parents & Carers



Take Note of Ratings

Recent press reports drew attention to Roblox's issues with potentially offensive content. Some players were using Roblox Studio to create games featuring nudity, sexual activity and extreme political views. In response, Roblox is introducing a ratings system which will rank content by age appropriateness, with clear warnings if a game is not suitable for younger players.



Set Parental Controls

Roblox has controls that allow parents to moderate who their children can talk to and which games they can play. To enable these, add your email address to your child's account through the Security menu, and create a secure PIN to stop settings being tampered with. Then head into the Privacy menu where you can apply moderation to in-game chat, personal messages, invites and more.



Disable Messages

It's advisable to block all messaging if you have concerns over your child's safety. If they're playing with friends they know in real life, encourage them to chat in another way (like on the phone), so you know exactly who they're talking to and how. Accounts can be tweaked to allow messages from specific groups of people, such as friends or users that your child follows.



Block and Report

To report players in a game, find the Roblox symbol on screen (or the 'Settings' button on some devices). Identify the offending player and click the flag icon. Clarify why the player is being reported by choosing a reason from the list. If you think a particular game is inappropriate, you can also flag it for a moderator to check by following the same steps but selecting 'Game' instead of 'Player'.



Encourage Creativity

It could prove a little too complex for younger children, but Roblox Studio is a great place to start learning the fundamentals of game design. Many budding developers have created Roblox games which have become popular among the community. There are plenty of tutorials on making games on sites like YouTube. You never know, your child's creation might be the next big thing!



Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world, UNILAD Gaming and GAMINGBible. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.



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