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Cleaner **still needed. Please ask at the office for details!**

What's happening in school next week?

- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is not in school next week. Mrs. Gilder will teach Class 3 on Monday am and all day Tuesday. Mrs. Greenwood will teach Class 3 on Monday pm. Mr. Barker will teach for the rest of the week.
- Eschools booking will open for Parent/Teacher Meetings on Monday. Our face-to-face meetings will primarily take place on Tuesday 29th March although Nursery will offer other dates too. We are also offering zoom or phone call meetings and you will be able to book all these via eschools. Zoom and phone call meetings will be offered at different dates and times in each class. We have done this previously and it worked.
- 10-day active challenge begins on Monday – Mr. Barker sent home the two-week plan last week. We will send a reminder each evening of what is happening the next day.
- Mrs. Townsend is not in school on Wednesday as she is attending training.
- Miss Bennett is teaching Class 6 on Wednesday afternoon as Mrs. Hutchinson is attending training.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Tuesday and Nursery on Wednesday.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 16th March.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- It is Red Nose Day on Friday 18th March.
- Mrs. Townsend is available to show parents around on Friday 18th at 11.00am.
- Mid-Year reports for our school children will be sent home on Friday

Attendance

Class 1: 93%

Class 2: 95%

Class 3: 95%

Class 4: 73%

Class 5: 97%

Class 6: 91%

Class 7: 96%

Class 8: 98%

Our target attendance is 96%

This week's attendance is 92.3%

Well done Class 8

Looking ahead to the w.b. 21st March 2022

- The assembly theme for the week is Courage
- 10 day Active Challenge continues.
- Our Year One children are off to the EIS on Monday (21st)
- Mrs. Gilder is teaching Class 3 on Monday.
- Our Y2 children are off to the EIS on Tuesday 22nd March.
- Mr. Barker is attending training on Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 3.

Nursery News

Spring has sprung in Nursery. We have learnt about daffodils, buds and snowdrops and have looked around school to see what we could find. Outdoors we have painted blossom and enjoyed looking closely at some flowers before changing them into a whole range of perfumes and potions.

Star of the Week

Siena Shepherd is an absolute delight and we could not manage without her. If we had to count how many ways Siena makes our Nursery a better place I think we could probably get to 100. Not only is she willing to help others but Siena loves to learn and is such a reliable, responsible young lady. Thank you Siena.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Lucy Mahon. Conversations with Lucy always make you smile. This week she has chatted about Tier 1, 2 and 3 words and congratulated me when I used a Ninja word the class had learned. She's talks affectionately about her friend and their qualities.

Supporting Ukraine

Many thanks for all the donations to help the people of the Ukraine. If you have any of the following, and you would like to donate then please drop them off at school - medical essentials such as bandages, nappies, hygiene products (including sanitary products for women) socks, warm coats, blankets and baby clothes. If anyone has a sleeping bag they no longer need, these would be welcomed too. Matilda's Mum in Class 2 is collecting and coordinating it all.

Parent Volunteers

We would like to welcome parents back into school as volunteers. Do you have a few hours each week to come into school to listen to children read? If so, we would love to have you. We can provide some training for you. If you are interested please let your child's class teacher know.

Stomach Bug

For your information, we still have a nasty stomach bug lurking in school. We are encouraging the children to wash their hands thoroughly

Parent Info Sessions

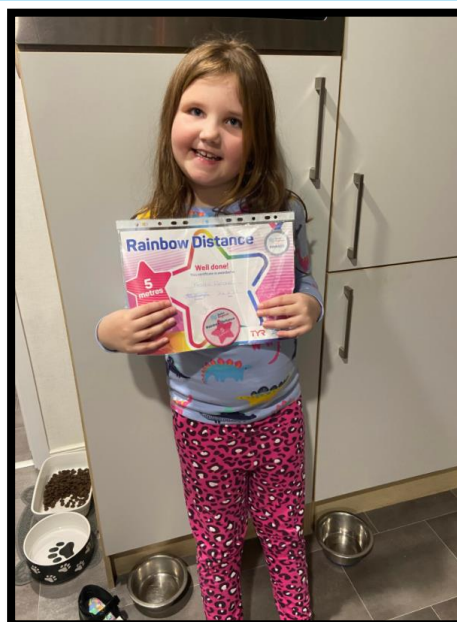
We finally feel we can put on the parent information sessions we had planned to do in the autumn term! We are going to try running the one on letter formation, name writing and handwriting during parents evening at 5.00pm (29th March). If you would like to come along, please book your parents evening face-to-face slot before 5.00pm or after 5.45. We can't offer a crèche for this session as there is nowhere free to run it! Mrs. Heavens is going to run a maths session on Wednesday 30th March, 4.30-5.30pm. We can run a crèche for this session.

| Week 2 | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Dish of the day 1 | Wholemeal margherita pizza slice with herby diced potatoes | Cheesy ham & broccoli spaghetti with herby focaccia | Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes and gravy | Chicken & sweetcorn meatball sub with arrabiata sauces and baked wedges | Chicken goujons & chips with tomato sauce |
| Dish of the day 2 | Smoky spiced vegetable stew with Mexican rice & homemade tortilla chips | Chinese vegetable curry & mixed rice with naan | Roast vegetarian balls with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes and gravy | Creamy baked macaroni cheese | Vegetarian hot do with onions and chips with tomato sauce |
| Oven baked jacket potato | Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans. | Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans, tuna mayonnaise. | Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans, tuna mayonnaise. | Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans, tuna mayonnaise. | Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans, tuna mayonnaise. |
| Sandwich option | Ham | Ham | Ham | Ham | Ham |
| | | Tuna mayonnaise | Tuna mayonnaise | Tuna mayonnaise | Tuna mayonnaise |
| | Cheese | Cheese | Cheese | Cheese | Cheese |
| Vegetables | Sweetcorn with peppers & garden peas | Green beans & cauliflower | Carrots & savoy cabbage | Broccoli & roasted winter vegetables | Baked beans & garden peas |
| Desserts | Oaty raisin cookies with watermelon slice. | Cinnamon pear upside down cake with chocolate drizzle | Vanilla sponge and custard | Lemon & blueberry yoghurt cake | (Hidden) beetroot brownie |

The children's out of school achievements this week. The children love sharing these in assembly so please keep sending them in. They say they feel proud in front of their friends.



This Y1 chap has been so inspired by his learning on recycling that he asked mum and dad for a litter picker. He has been out, after school, collecting rubbish and has a bag full already.



This little girl achieved her first swimming certificate last weekend. Well done you – great achievement.

Assembly Theme: Consideration



CRAZY HAIR DAY FRIDAY 18TH MARCH

This year we want to see your craziest hair styles for Comic Relief. Let your creative side go wild! Wearing red clothes or non uniform please donate via Parent Pay.



Enter our Red Nose Day design a nose competition coming home on Friday 11th March! To enter create your design on the sheet and a 50p for your entry! Entries must be handed in by Thursday 17th March- Good Luck!

Grab a red nose from the office from Monday- While stock lasts £1.50 each.





This week's praise board



Jacob Wong and Charlotte Cawthorne did some beautifully careful colouring

The Nursery Leaf Sweeping Team - Ada-Grace Shaw, Shay Millington, Erin Tazzyman, Lottie Moore, Henry Smith, Scarlett Appleby-Brown and Harry Kaine have worked their socks off.

Bridie Nance did some fantastic number work this week.

Bill Dang for not giving up when he found riding the bikes tricky.

Wrenn Bowden-Roebuck for demonstrating some fantastic skills on the climbing wall.

Maxwell Smith for helping a friend back to class after lunch.

Thank you Clayton Bullimore for helping a class friend to blend their words in our fishing game. You are very kind and helpful.

Well done Olly Charlesworth. You are a super scientist, exploring the way that magnets work.

Well done Pippa Guy for working hard with Mummy on your reading.

Well done Lucy Marsh for earning 'Paw Patrol' time every day,

Thank you Jack Woodhouse for offering to help Mrs H get the loose parts out of the shed so we could build sculptures.

Well done I'Marai Hall-Mattis and Amelia Hodgkinson who are now 'name writing superstars'.

Elissa Nicholson and Aria Boudabouza have impressed with their independent writing skills this week.



This week's praise board



Well done to Tyson Kiffin for being very kind to another child earlier in the week.

Thank you to Stanley White for being super sensible and helping to make sure that everyone is safe.

Ivy-Jay Sampson-Coopland is so polite and always uses beautiful manners - you have really impressed Miss Bennett with these.

Lucy Mahon for always seeing where she can help children and adults in the classroom.

Alfie Hanson for knowing how to work so hard on the carpet when we are learning altogether.

Emmie Capper for teaching all of her friends new skills in the playground; she makes a fantastic teacher!

Georgia Woodhouse for being a supportive friend by helping them to earn a VIP ticket.

Harris King for amazing writing and having a great attitude towards his learning. Harris King for super dancing in Go Noodle.

Marcie Anderson and Alex Frost for working together so well to do their vocabulary work.

Laila Clarke for always being kind and helpful around the classroom.

Charlie Beebee-George for always asking thoughtful questions.

Oliver Collins for being a great partner to Mrs Darnill on their walk to the Co-Op last week. Super sensible.

Alicia-Fifi Kiffin could not be any more enthusiastic with her learning. She joins in with every lesson and with a big smile too.

Thank you to Hollie Turner and Lillie Dowde for picking up all the paper towels in the girls' toilet. I think they are after Mr Grocock's job!

Joshua Willetts has been ready for learning this week. His hand has been up to answer questions and he is flying with writing the words in phonics.

Summer Stevenson has made all the adults in Class 1 a card. It brought a smile to our faces. Thank you.

Zac-Riley Evison for amazing answers in R.E

Kit Parsons remembered lots from a previous history lesson.

Nathaniel Tym's handwriting is beautiful. He works so hard to perfect it and support others.

Molly Bailey is always creating characters for her role-play. She shares these with everyone and it makes them smile.

Thank you Daisy-Anne Todd Greenfield for all the lovely complements you give to people in Class 1.



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



YUBO

AGE LIMIT

13+

Yubo is a social networking platform where users can chat and livestream with up to 10 friends at once. People can connect with others based on location, with a Tinder-style 'swiping' mechanism to accept or reject someone based on their profile pictures. The app has approximately 50 million users worldwide – but despite its popularity, Yubo has not been free from controversy. While the app claims to monitor inappropriate content, a newspaper investigation in early 2022 found young users being exposed to sexual harassment, racism, bullying and conversations with adult themes.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

FLimsy AGE GATES

Yubo states it is only for over 13s, but there is no credible age-gate to prevent an even younger child joining the platform. An undercover journalist investigating dangerous content reported spending 10 days posing as a 15-year-old on the app without any age verification. This flaw, and the fact that it's impossible to verify a user's true identity on Yubo, raises serious concerns over potential grooming.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Yubo has experienced problems with inappropriate content being displayed to children and teens. Although the app's developers claim to monitor profiles and messages for adult-themed or unsuitable material, a *Sunday Times* investigation found young users being exposed to sexual harassment, racism and bullying, with many chats referencing self-harm, suicide and drug use.

LIVESTREAM RISKS

Due to Yubo's lax age verification, children are able to launch live video streams which strangers can then view and interact with via real-time text chat. Not only is the thought of strangers watching children's livestreams extremely worrying (they could also use these as a means to establish the child's location) but text chats might result in a young person disclosing personal information.

ON AIR

BULLYING POTENTIAL

Yubo users 'swipe' to accept or decline the chance to talk with each other. These decisions are entirely based on someone's profile picture, raising the potential for children to be left with low self-esteem if declined repeatedly. Negative feedback about their appearance can seriously damage a child's emotional wellbeing, causing a loss of confidence in how they look or how interesting they are.

EXTENSIVE ACCESS

Users of Yubo, no matter what their age, are required to grant access to their device's microphone and GPS. This means they are potentially revealing highly sensitive information, including their exact location. In addition, new users of the app are asked to provide personal details such as their name, date of birth and phone number, which – in the case of young people – represents a clear risk.

'GATEWAY' EFFECT

Yubo's swiping system (right for 'yes'; left for 'no') works much like Tinder and various other dating apps. This could lead to children exploring similarly designed apps that aren't intended for a young audience. Users can also link their Yubo account to social media such as Snapchat and Instagram, making it easier for a stranger to track them down on various platforms.

Advice for Parents & Carers

DISCOURAGE USE

We don't often advise totally avoiding an app, but due to the concerns that Yubo has generated of late (the February 2022 *Sunday Times* exposé and a recent abduction case in which the alleged perpetrator met a teenage girl through the app) and the fact that inappropriate content has been proved to be circulating on the platform, you may decide that the safest option is to dissuade your child from downloading it altogether.

DISCUSS IN ADVANCE

If your child is absolutely determined to join Yubo (perhaps their friends all use the platform, for instance), then it's essential to talk to them about the dangers of this type of app before they install it. It's vital they understand not to disclose personal information to people they don't know, for example, and that they're warned about the type of mature content they may be exposed to on the app.

STAY AWARE

It's important to stay attuned to how your child is using social media. If they only access Yubo in private, for example, you might reasonably question what they're potentially using it for. It's also important to watch for warning signs that they may be over-using the app: prioritising it over everyday routines like meals and homework, for instance, or showing signs of irritability and a lack of concentration.

ALTER THE SETTINGS

After the recent high-profile controversies surrounding the app, Yubo's developers have increased its security controls. Users can now choose to block profiles, screen out nudity in live streams and keep their location private. There's also an option to report inappropriate content, so make sure your child knows that they can now flag up anything they find disturbing via the app's Safety Centre.

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Tweak of the Week: Good listening in assembly and the classroom