

## Monday 11th September

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**Tonacliffe**  
Primary School



School Council and Green Team nominations are taking place. Members will be presented with their badges in the celebration assembly taking place on Monday 25th September.

As you are aware, school budgets are extremely tight and this makes it incredibly difficult for us to purchase resources that our children need. If anybody is having a summer clear out and finds any of the following (in good condition!), please consider donating them to school rather than throwing them away or taking them to the charity shop. We really would be grateful!

If you are able to donate any of these items, please pass them onto Miss Coxhead, Miss Stork or Miss Griffiths. If you have anything of a similar nature that you think might be useful, please do let us know too!

- \* Cushions or other den building materials
- \* Child sized rocking chair or rocking horse
- \* Individual trampoline
- \* Exercise ball
- \* Small seesaw
- \* Silicone straws or hard, plastic straws
- \* Lava lamp
- \* Spinning toys that can be sat or stood on
- \* Large buckets.

**Please remember to visit our website for long term dates. Thank you.**

**Monday 11th September:** After school sports clubs begin.

**Monday 11th September:** Swimming lessons every Monday for Purple Class until half term.

**Monday 11th September:** Year 6 Bikeability week.

**Monday 18th September:** Reception Phonics workshop– 9am, 2:45pm & 5:30pm.

**Monday 25th September:** Years 3 & 4 Parents multiplication workshop– 2:45pm & 5:30pm.

**Wednesday 27th September:** Reception Prospective parents open day– 9:30am & 1:45pm.

**Friday 28th September:** European Languages Day.

**Wednesday 4th October:** 2:15-3:15pm – Smoothwall parent’s workshop.

**Monday 9th October:** School Council Sponsored Run week.

**Monday 9th October:** Reception handwriting workshop– 9am, 2pm & 5pm.

**Tuesday 10th October:** Harvest Festival– bring a tin.

**Monday 16th October:** Year 1 Phonics Screening orkshops– 2:45pm & 5pm.

**Tuesday 17th October:** Individual school photograph day.

**Wednesday 18th October:** Parents’ Evening– 3:45pm-6pm.

**Thursday 19th October:** Parents’ Evening– 3:45pm-6pm.

**Friday 20th October:** End of Autumn 1– school closes for half term.

# STAR PUPILS

Nursery:	All of Nursery
Green Class:	All of Green Class.
Pink Class:	Lola-Mae L. & Lucy S.
White Class:	All of White Class.
Red Class:	Louissa H.
Yellow Class:	Jaxson S.
Orange Class :	Paige M.
Lime Class:	Charlie-Jack O.
Turquoise Class:	Noah S.
Gold Class:	Archer N.
Purple Class:	Mason D.

# HOUSE POINTS

## House Points

**Dolphin: 279**

Octopus: 254

Seahorse: 240

Starfish: 262

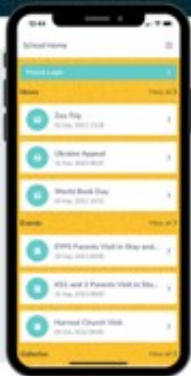
**Well done**

**to the Dolphin Team who are this week's winners.**

## Guide to our app for parents & carers

School Spider allows you to receive and return information directly to and from the school. Receive instant messages, complete surveys, book your parents' evenings and report absences.

Select your school to get started!



### How to get started

Once you have selected the school, you will see posts from the school website. Click parent dashboard to login or create an account. Create an account by pressing "create account" and enter your email address.

**You must have your email linked with the school!**

### Take a look around...

See all action items on your dashboard

Click to respond or book for each child

Click the envelope to see your recent messages

Click these 3 lines to:

- Switch between areas
- Edit your profile
- Logout

**DOWNLOAD NOW**



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SHARING PHOTOS ONLINE

School is often a time chock-full of milestones for your child, and you may well be eager to share their accomplishments with the world. In today's digital age, sharing images of such precious moments on social media is commonplace, and – while that's a lovely thing to do – it does come with some risks attached. Our guide can help parents and carers to consider the potential dangers and make informed choices about safely sharing photos of their children online.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### INVASIONS OF PRIVACY

Even with the right settings in place, absolutely nothing online is 100% private. Anyone who can view your photos could take screenshots and potentially share them elsewhere. Privacy settings are still important, though, so it's always wise to ensure your social media accounts have them set up; just bear in mind that you can't completely control what happens to anything once it's gone online.

### REVEALING PERSONAL DETAILS

Small details in photos can often reveal personal information. Backgrounds can give clues to where you live, for example, while school logos on uniforms, sports kits, or bags could help someone identify which school your child attends. With interactive maps and reverse image searches commonplace online, information like this could easily be misused by an individual with malicious intentions.

### MISUSE OF IMAGES

Once something's been shared online, it's almost impossible to get it deleted. Photos can show up in search engine results and be downloaded, manipulated, and shared without consent. There's the potential for someone's images to be used for advertising purposes (which in many cases, isn't illegal) or even more inappropriate reasons, such as cyber-bullying or serious forms of exploitation.

### ONLINE GROOMING

Pictures that convey details about your child's interests, activities, or daily routines could arm an online predator with the kind of information they can deploy to gain a child's trust. They might use this knowledge to pretend to be the same age as the child or to have a shared hobby. Essentially, the more a predator knows about a young person, the easier it is for them to invent some 'common ground'.

### PRESSURE TO PLEASE

When their parents or carers share notable moments and accomplishments in a child's life on social media, some children may begin to feel an expectation to always meet certain standards, to achieve things, or to behave in ways that are "worth sharing". Knowing that other people (even friends and family) can see these posts on social media might also add to the pressure they're feeling internally.

### IMPACT ON DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Every photo of a child posted online contributes to their digital footprint. Young people's lives have never been so closely and publicly documented as they are now, and this permanent online presence could affect a child's future opportunities or the choices they make as they grow up – in addition to influencing how they see themselves and, consequently, their emotional wellbeing.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### REVIEW SETTINGS REGULARLY

Make sure your social media's secure in terms of who can view your content or see your location (only family and trusted friends, for example). Privacy settings aren't totally foolproof, but they do make it tougher for strangers to access your pics. Reviewing your settings regularly is also a good starting point for conversations with your child about managing their own social accounts when they're older.

### CONSIDER OTHER CHILDREN

When taking a group photo, make sure you get parents' or carers' permission to share it on social media. There may be an important safeguarding reason for them not wanting their child's photo posted publicly online, or it might simply not tally with their personal beliefs or cultural background. A quick conversation in advance, just to make sure, is usually hugely appreciated.

### Meet Our Expert

Gabriella Russo is a safeguarding consultant with more than 30 years' experience working with children, families, and adults in education, local authority, and mental health settings, both in the UK and internationally. She has developed online safety training for local authorities and foster care agencies across Britain and is the online safety expert for FosterWiki.



### CHECK YOUR PHOTOS

Photos of your child shouldn't provide any clues to where they live or go to school, even a house number, street name, or car number plate could be a giveaway. Cover up or blur out school logos, too. If you really want to share a particular pic, you could post a watermarked or low-res version, which can help to discourage misuse as those images are less appealing to download or reproduce.

### THINK AHEAD

Try to consider the longer-term implications of what you post. Would you be happy with that photo being online in 10 years' time? Would your child still be OK with the image when they're older? Once your child is mature enough, you could ask for their consent before posting; it respects their privacy, fosters trust and understanding, and helps them to start thinking about their own online life.

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## SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

EAST

Do you have a child starting  
primary school in September 2024  
and living in Lancashire?

Apply now and check your eligibility for school transport at:  
[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)  
or call 01254 220747

**Closing date: 15 January 2024**

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school,  
or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

**HAVE  
YOUR SAY**

*Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with  
you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs.  
To find out more please visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces)  
and click 'school admission policies'.*

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## SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SECONDARY

EAST

Do you have a child starting  
secondary school in September 2024  
and living in Lancashire?

Apply now and check your eligibility for school transport at:  
[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)  
or call 01254 220747

**Closing date: 31 October 2023**

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school.

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### BRGS OPEN EVENT FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 ADMISSIONS

For admissions into Year 7 in September 2024 we are holding our open evening on **Wednesday 20 September 2023**. The event will run from 6.30pm to 8.30pm and visitors can drop in at any time. The Principal's Address will take place in the Canopy at 6.30pm and 7.30pm.

Our Open Evenings are a chance for prospective pupils and their families to see our Academy in action. With exciting displays, in-class demonstrations and activities, they are a great opportunity to meet our pupils and speak to members of our staff in detail about the curriculum and just what we have to offer.

Our Open Evenings take place each year. We hope you will be able to visit the Academy with your child.

A copy of our mini prospectus can be found by clicking on the following link - [https://issuu.com/staracademies/docs/brgs\\_mini\\_prospectus\\_2024-25](https://issuu.com/staracademies/docs/brgs_mini_prospectus_2024-25)

### BRGS ENTRANCE EXAM

We admit up to 180 students each year, based on their performance in our entrance examination. Our entrance examination for Year 7 admission in September 2024 will take place on 30 September 2023.

Parents who wish their child to take the 2024 entrance examination must register before 12.00 noon on Friday 22 September 2023 by completing the [registration form](#).

For more information about Year 7 admissions, visit the [Admissions](#) page.



## Term Dates – 2023-2024

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	Training Days (children do not attend school)
	Holidays