

Monday 25th September 2023

Tommy the Warrior



As many of you will be aware, Tommy S has recently been diagnosed with leukaemia.

A gofundme page has been set up to support Tommy and his family through this difficult time.

Any support would be very much appreciated, if you would like to donate or help to spread the word, please follow the link:

<https://gofund.me/0af4aa46>

Student Councillors 2023-24

Year 2: Archie L. & Lola S-R.

Yellow Class: Fusha B. & Tony B.

Orange Class: A-R Khan. & Alfie W.

Lime Class: Tom D. & Lauren W.

Turquoise Class: Ben F. & Imogen D.

Gold Class: Amelia M. & Ava W.

Purple Class: Melody B. & Zach A-W.

Congratulations to our new student councillors!

Eco Team Members

Year 2: Bryony P. & Charlie W.

Yellow Class: Lucy-Rose S. & Isaac T.

Orange Class: Ned S. & Rio C.

Lime Class: Harley L. & Ava-Grace B.

Turquoise Class: Laila M. & Edie H.

Gold Class: Darcy R. & Cassiana A-D.

Purple Class: Robyn O. & Elodie S.

Congratulations to our new Eco Team Members!

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

Monday 25th September: Parents multiplication workshop– Years 3 &4– 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 workshops– 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: Carter T.
- ★ Green Class: Alba M.
- ★ Pink Class: Dorothy B.
- ★ White Class: George M.
- ★ Red Class: Billy P.
- ★ Yellow Class: Harley-Jay S.
- ★ Orange Class : Jax D.
- ★ Lime Class: Max J.
- ★ Turquoise Class: Charlie F.
- ★ Gold Class: Ray E.
- ★ Purple Class: Urba R.

HOUSE POINTS

Dolphin: 325

Octopus: 342

Seahorse: 367

Starfish: 373

Well done

to the Starfish Team who are this week's winners!

ATTENDANCE

We aim for at least 97% attendance each week; here are the attendance figures for last week:

	Yellow Class:	97.1%
Green Class:	97.8%	Orange Class: 98.5%
Pink Class:	92.7%	Lime Class: 97.5%
White Class:	97.3%	Turquoise Class: 97.5%
Red Class:	99.3%	Gold Class: 99.3%
	Purple Class:	96.1%

Our overall school attendance figure for week ending Friday 15th September 2023 is 96%

FRIENDSHIP AND KINDNESS AWARD



Anne S.

For going above and beyond to ensure a new child felt happy and welcome in school.



Top Tips for SETTING BOUNDARIES AROUND GAMING

If your child loves video games, then you'll probably be aware that how long they spend gaming – and what they're actually playing – can occasionally become a source of concern or conflict. The UK's trade body for interactive entertainment, Ukie, has recently launched a campaign to promote safer and more responsible gaming among young people – with parents and carers helping by setting sensible and fair boundaries. Our guide has tips on key areas where you could agree some healthy ground rules for your child's gaming activity.

PROMOTE SAFER GAME CHOICES

Deciding which online games are OK – and which should be avoided – is tricky. Some titles allow children to cooperate or compete with strangers, which creates potential risks. Watching your child play online for a while could provide more insight into a particular game, while the parental controls on most consoles allow you to limit who can chat to your child or send them friend requests. Remind your child of the hazards around strangers online when you discuss this boundary with them.

ENCOURAGE REGULAR BREAKS

Help your child understand the need to take regular breaks, playing in shorter bursts rather than marathon sessions. Bear in mind that some games (such as role-playing games) require time investment from the player, while others (online team games, for example) can't be stopped or paused at a moment's notice. A quick break every hour or so is good practice, and you could suggest some things to do in these breaks, such as having a drink of water or getting some fresh air.

AGREE SPENDING LIMITS

There's no doubt that gaming can be expensive, and younger players often don't realise how much paying for digital items and subscriptions can add up to. Many young gamers love to buy new skins or upgrades for their character, so you could settle on a fixed amount that your child is allowed to spend on in-game items each week or month. This sort of boundary will not only help your child to manage their expectations but will also make you more aware of the price of these items.

DISCUSS AGE RATINGS

Children often ignore the age ratings on games – or are unaware they even exist. If you're happy with your child playing a particular game even though it's rated above their age, then establish that as a boundary: emphasise that you've made an exception, and talk about what age ratings mean and why they're important. You could add context to this boundary by browsing games' boxes together while shopping, discussing why some games might have earned certain age ratings.

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Meet Our Expert

Danielle Pecora is a writer specialising in technology, video-gaming, virtual reality and Web3. He has also written 15 guidebooks for children, covering games such as Fortnite, Apex Legends, Valorant, Roblox and Minecraft. With work published by the likes of PC Gamer, Kotaku, Pocket Gamer and VG247, he has reviewed more than 90 games and products over the past year.



FACTOR IN FRIENDS

If your child is a keen video gamer, the chances are that they'll have other gamers among their social circle, too. When friends visit, do they instantly dash to their console or computer? You could put boundaries in place before their guests arrive by agreeing on a length of gaming time. Bear in mind, though, that they may try to extend this once they're together. Try coming up with activities or challenges for them during screen breaks – if they join in, they earn a little extra time on their game.

ENJOY GAMING TOGETHER

Setting time aside to play video games together can be an enjoyable bonding exercise. Undeniably, some young gamers may be less enthusiastic about a parent or carer joining in, but it can be a productive way of encouraging them to share their hobby with you. Setting goals or tasks might be useful: if they love Minecraft, choose something to build together; if Fortnite's their favourite, ask to try out some of the fun game modes, like Prop Hunt, which don't require high skill levels.

TALK ABOUT EMOTIONS

Help your child to monitor their emotions as they play. Discuss what is (and isn't) an acceptable level of competitiveness to show while gaming. Are they allowed to trash talk other players, for example? Can they notice when they get angry if they lose? Do they think these emotions are healthy? Some games can provoke anger, but others can bring joy, humour and the thrill of overcoming a challenge. Try to steer your child towards games that tend to produce these more positive feelings.

BE PREPARED FOR TROLLS

A frequent problem when gaming online is other players who are deliberately troublesome. Make sure your child knows how to report and block someone who makes their experience a negative one. Between you, decide if or how they should deal with these online trolls. Talk about where your child's boundaries are in terms of what they think is acceptable: what behaviour by other users is merely frustrating, and what crosses the line to become upsetting or abusive.

Source: <https://npsf.app/about/private.html>

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#WakeUpWednesday



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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
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.

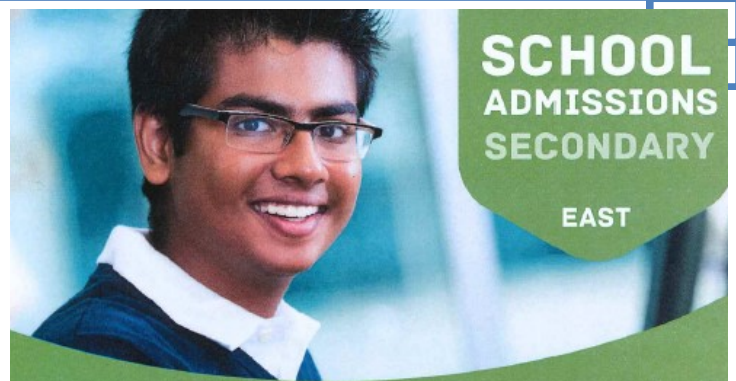
HAVE YOUR SAY

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 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
or call 01254 220747

Closing date: 31 October 2023

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

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 and click 'school admission policies'.

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"I'm convinced of this: Good done anywhere is good done everywhere. For a change, start by speaking to people rather than walking by them like they're stones that don't matter. As long as you're breathing, it's never too late to do some good."

Maya Angelou

This October is Black History Month.



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This year for European Languages Day (Thursday 28th September).

Children in Key Stage 2 will be learning about Greece.

Yellow class will be tasting some Greek foods.

Orange Class will be learning to dance the Hasapiko.

Lime Class will be creating a Greek column picture.

Turquoise Class will be doing a Greek alphabet activity.

Gold Class will be looking at Greek textiles, weaving with straws.

Purple Class will be learning about Odysseus and the cyclops and making a cyclop's eye.



Term Dates – 2023-2024

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	Training Days (children do not attend school)
	Holidays