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# Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup> November

## 2022

### Walk and Talk

Classrooms shouldn't have four walls and the best classroom is roofed only by the sky...

We are so lucky to be able to educate our pupils in our beautiful countryside and embrace all of their strengths. What a wonderful 'walk and talk' this week for EYFS. They walked up and over the hill opposite school. They were very brave climbing up the side! They could see Pendle Hill, the Cement Works, cows, hens, a flood, lots of birds and Clitheroe Castle. So much to talk about!



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## Bags2School

Thank you to everyone who sent something in for Bags2School. We raised...

**£128.00**

Thank you so much for your help with this!

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## Year 1 Forest School

This week, Year 1 went on a scavenger hunt to see what natural treasures they could find discarded on nature's floor. They used the knots they had learned last week to tie their treasures onto sticks and make magical scavenger sticks!



## PUPILS OF THE WEEK



Well done to our pupils of the week:

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Reception            | Sophia               |
| Year 1               | Elliot               |
| Year 2               | Ophelia              |
| Year 3               | George               |
| Year 4               | Aoife                |
| Year 5               | Ronnie               |
| Year 6               | Ben                  |
|                      |                      |
| Kindness Award       | Rory (Reception)     |
|                      |                      |
| Citizens of the Week | The WHOLE of Year 6! |

## **PARKING - UPDATE:**

This week I have contacted Lancashire County Council to ask them to extend the yellow zig zags on the road all the way to the entrance of the car park. When I have been observing, lots of issues arise when parents park on that small bit of space between the end of the zigzags and the entrance to the car park. They have to send someone to survey within 22 days so I will keep you up to date. In the meantime, please do not park on this area.



- *Please do not use the staff car park as a turning circle*
- *Please do not do 3-point turns directly in front of school*
  - *Please do not park on the yellow zig zags*

*We ask you these things to ensure the **safety of our pupils.***

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## Our School Values

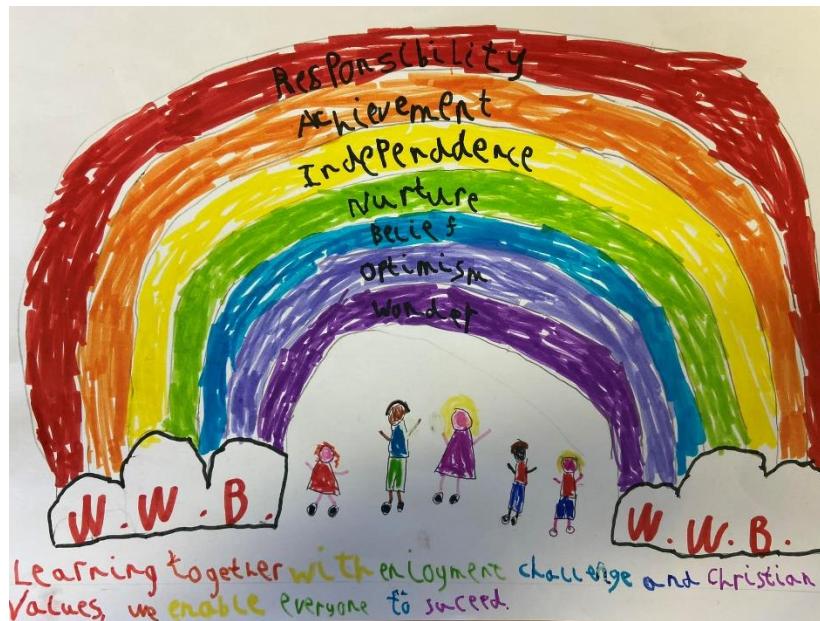
We are delighted to share the winning design for our recent competition to design a poster to promote our school values!

We LOVE this design by Leon in Year 1. It highlights all 7 values as well as our Mission Statement in a colourful design with our pupils at the heart of the rainbow! 🌈😊

Well done Leon - this new poster will be displayed around school as well as used on the school website and on social media.

Thank you to everyone that entered - it was so hard to choose!

Here is the winning design:



To help celebrate and 'live-out' our values across school we have allocated each class a value that they will focus on and promote. By the time that they leave us at the end of Year 6 they will have learned about all of our values.

Reception – Wonder

Year 1 – Optimism

Year 2 – Belief

Year 3 – Nurture

Year 4 – Independence

Year 5 – Achievement

Year 6 – Responsibility

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## Phonics in Years 1 and 2

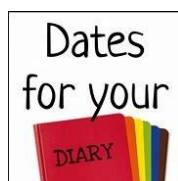
This week, Year 1 and Year 2 have been showing off their phonics work to Mrs White.

In Year 1, they have been learning about split vowel digraphs and how to read and write i-e. They had lots of fun with their magic wands to help them write the words too ✨

In Year 2, been showing off their active phonics lessons whilst learning the digraph 'mb'. They had to find, read and write words using this digraph!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | Anti-Bullying Week – wear ODD Socks to school<br>Reception Parents Meetings all day<br>Life Education Bus in school today<br>Odd Sock Day – children can wear odd socks today |
| Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | Year 3 and Year 4 Parents Meetings all day<br>Life Education Bus in school today  |
| Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | Year 5 and Year 6 Parents Meetings all day<br>Flu Vaccinations in school all day  |
| Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Year 1 and Year 2 Parents Meetings all day  |
| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | Children in Need Day – wear something spotty  |
| Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov | PTA Craft Fair in the evening   |
| Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec    | Year 1-6 Panto at The Grand in the morning<br>Children’s Christmas Fair in the afternoon  |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | KS1 Nativity at 2pm   |
| Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 2.30pm – Reception Christmas Play<br>Musical Theatre performance at 4pm<br>KS1 Nativity at 6pm  |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | Christmas Jumper Day  |
| Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | 6.15pm – Carols by Candlelight for KS2  |
| Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | Children’s Christmas Lunch in school<br>Rainbow Team Christmas Parties in the afternoon<br>Children can wear party clothes to school today                                    |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec   | Break up for Christmas at normal time   |

## Parent Consultations

Next week, we are holding our face-to-face parent consultations. Please come to the main entrance where you will be let into school and shown where to go.

Please don’t arrive more than 10 minutes before your appointment as we don’t have very much space for lots of people to wait around.

Thank you – we are looking forward to seeing you all!

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**



- *To launch Anti - bullying week and raise awareness the children are all being asked to wear odd socks on the Monday 14th November 2022.*
- *Year 3 Swimming on Wednesday afternoons*
- *We are a NUT FREE SCHOOL – please don't send food items into school (snacks or packed lunches) that contain nuts*
- *Please ensure that your child wears/brings a waterproof/warm coat to school every day. With the weather being quite unpredictable we need to children to have their coats ready as we do try and get them outside come rain or shine!*
- *It is Children in Need day next Friday – wear something spotty.*
- *Children can wear ODD SOCKS to school on Monday*

### **Safeguarding**

**The Designated Safeguarding Leads for School are:**

**Mrs White**

**Mrs Madeley**

**Mr Stell**

## **CONTACT US**



Please always request to speak to your child's class teacher as first point of contact if you have a query or concern. If it cannot be resolved with the teacher, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will aim to make themselves available to you as soon as possible.

School contact details: 01200 422915 or [bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk)

Visit us on the web at [Home | Waddington and West Bradford C.E. Primary School \(wwb.lancs.sch.uk\)](#)

Follow us on FACEBOOK - Waddington and West Bradford Primary School

### **Holiday Dates**

The holiday dates for next year, 2023/2024, have been sent home via email. They are also available on the school website: [Holiday Dates | Waddington and West Bradford C.E. Primary School \(wwb.lancs.sch.uk\)](#)

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## Attendance

Week commencing 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

**We are aiming for every child/class to have at least 96% attendance**

| Class     | Attendance Percentage |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Reception | 92.9                  |
| Year 1    | 88.6                  |
| Year 2    | 94.0                  |
| Year 3    | 94.4                  |
| Year 4    | 96.0                  |
| Year 5    | 97.9                  |
| Year 6    | 98.3                  |

*Well done Year 6!*

## Rainbow (House) Team Points

The Rainbow team that has the most points at the end of the half term gets to come in non-uniform the first Friday back after half term. An email will be sent next Friday to confirm the winners.

| Week         | Winners |
|--------------|---------|
| w/c 31-10-22 | BLUE    |
| w/c 7-11-22  | YELLOW  |
|              |         |
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|              |         |

# Online Safety

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about **HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING**



Defined as "ongoing hurtful behaviour towards someone online", cyber-bullying makes its victims feel upset, uncomfortable and unsafe. In the digital world, it has numerous forms – such as hurtful comments on a person's posts or profile; deliberately leaving them out of group chats; sharing embarrassing images or videos of someone; or spreading gossip about them. Cyber-bullying can severely impact a young person's mental health – so, in support of Anti-Bullying Week, we've provided a list of tips to help trusted adults know what to look for and how to respond to it.



### 1. GET CONNECTED

Playing online games together with your child or connecting with them on social media (providing they're old enough) is not only fun but also an excellent way of establishing some common ground to discuss things you've both seen or done online – as well as keeping an eye on who your child is communicating with in the digital world.

### 2. KEEP TALKING

Regular chats with young people about their online lives are good practice in general, but they can also be an excellent refresher to help prevent cyber-bullying situations. Topics you might want to revisit include why it's important to only connect online with people we know and trust, and why passwords should always remain secret (even from our best friends).

### 3. STAY VIGILANT

Observe your child while they're using technology and just after they've used it. Are they acting normally, or out of character? Possible signs of a problem may include seeming quiet or withdrawn, jumpy or anxious, angry or repeatedly checking their phone. When you feel it's the right time, you may want to check in with them to see if everything is OK.

### 4. MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE

If an online bullying incident does occur, it may take a while before your child is ready to open up about what happened. Just gently remind them that they can always come to you with any problems – and that they won't be in trouble. You might also suggest a trusted family member they could turn to, in case they feel too embarrassed to tell you directly.

### 5. BE PREPARED TO LISTEN

When conversations about online bullying do take place, they're likely to be difficult, emotional and upsetting for both you and your child. Actively listen to your child while they're bringing you up to speed, and try not to show any judgement or criticism – even if they haven't dealt with the situation in exactly the way you would have hoped.

### FURTHER SUPPORT AND ADVICE

If you or your child need additional help with an online bullying issue, here are some specialist organisations that you could reach out to.

**Childline:** talk to a trained counsellor on 0800 1111 or online at [www.childline.org.uk/get-support/](http://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/)

**National Bullying Helpline:** counsellors are available on 0845 225 5787 or by visiting [www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html](http://www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html)

**The NSPCC:** the children's charity has a guide to the signs of bullying at [www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/) and can be reached on 0800 800 5000

### 6. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD

Depending on their age, your child might not want a parent 'fighting their battles for them'. In that case, talk through their options with them (blocking the perpetrator, deleting the app and so on). By allowing your child to choose the path they take, you're putting them in control but are also demonstrating that you're there to support them along the way.

### 7. REPORT BULLIES ONLINE

Cyber-bullying often takes place through a particular app, social media platform or online game. If this is happening to your child, encourage them to report the offender to the app or game in question – ideally with screenshots to support their complaint. Most games and apps have reporting tools specifically to stamp out abusive behaviour and protect users.

### 8. ENCOURAGE EMPATHY

Protecting themselves online is the priority, of course, but young people should also feel empowered to help if they witness other people falling victim to cyberbullying. Even if they don't feel confident enough to call someone out on their abusive behaviour online, they can still confidentially report that person to the app or game where the bullying occurred.

### 9. SEEK EXPERT ADVICE

Victims of online bullying frequently experience feelings of isolation and anxiety, a loss of self-esteem and potentially even thoughts of self-harm or suicide. If you think that an incident of cyber-bullying has affected your child's mental wellbeing, then seek psychological support for them. There are some useful contact details in the central panel below.

### 10. INVOLVE THE AUTHORITIES

If the nature of any online bullying makes you suspect that your child is genuinely in imminent physical danger – or if there are any signs whatsoever of explicit images being shared as part of the bullying – then you should gather any relevant screenshots as evidence and report the incidents to your local police force.

### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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## **Salvation Army's Toy Appeal**

Last year, the Salvation Army Toy Appeal in Clitheroe helped 500 children from newborn babies to 16-year olds.

This year, we are a drop off point for anyone wishing to support this and donate a present.

Items which are being collected include selection boxes and chocolates; brand new toys including soft toys; rattles for babies; hats, scarves and gloves; colouring books; craft items and kit, and books. Perhaps you have a child or young person in your family who could suggest what someone their own age would like to receive for Christmas?

Items should cost no more than £10 – The Salvation Army team hope to provide one main item and a number of smaller items to each child they help.

*If you would like to donate, there will be a box outside the school office for any donations.*

*Any donations should be dropped off, by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, so that they can be passed on and delivered in time for Christmas.*



*Thank you to everyone for your positive contributions to school life and your friendliness.*