



Newsletter 4th November 2022

Walk and Talk


This week, Reception began their weekly 'walk and talk' sessions in our locality. They even made some new friends today called Domino, Rolo, Rocky and Duke 😊🐾

They spotted lots of interesting things such as toadstools 🍄 as well as talking about Pendle Hill and the factory that they could see in the distance. A great opportunity for fresh air, lots of talking and keeping fit!



Bags2School

If you are having a clear out over half term, please think about us!

Bags 2 School will be coming to school on the 8th November 

WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheet, pillow cases and duvet covers)



* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

We **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material



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Year 6 – The Nowhere Emporium

Mr Stell has been replaced by a mystery character this week who introduced the Year 6 children to their newest text...The Nowhere Emporium! They completed some excellent predictions about the text and certainly enjoyed this special visitor!



PUPILS OF THE WEEK



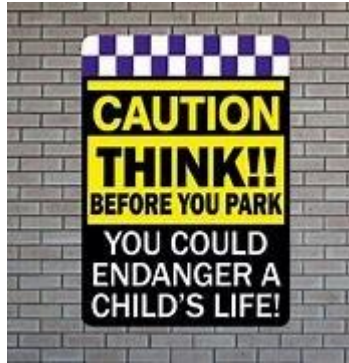
Well done to our pupils of the week:

Reception	Jack
Year 1	Eliska
Year 2	Huxley
Year 3	Olivia
Year 4	Cuthbert
Year 5	Holly
Year 6	Cadie Jaycob Elizabeth
Kindness Award	Albert

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PARKING - just a gentle reminder of the following:

This week we have seen some very dangerous and selfish driving, and parking, around school. This endangers the lives of our pupils.



- *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.***

The 5 Ways of Wellbeing

On Monday, our whole school assembly was about The Five Ways of Wellbeing 🧠💪
We discussed how we can look after ourselves physically and mentally and thought of examples of how to can achieve the Five Ways!

As well as this, our Wellbeing Warriors set the children their first challenge....why not ask them what we are up to!

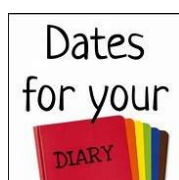


Celebrating Diwali

Reception have had a wonderful time learning all about Diwali this week. They made beautiful candles and sat listening so intently as Mrs Harper told them the story of Rama and Sita.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tues 8 th Nov	Bags2School Collection
Fri 11 th Nov	School Disco 6.15pm-7.15pm – KS1 7.30pm-9pm – KS2
Mon 14 th Nov	Anti-Bullying Week – wear ODD Socks to school Reception Parents Meetings all day Life Education Bus in school today Odd Sock Day – children can wear odd socks today
Tues 15 th Nov	Year 3 and Year 4 Parents Meetings all day Life Education Bus in school today
Wed 16 th Nov	Year 5 and Year 6 Parents Meetings all day Flu Vaccinations in school all day

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Thurs 17 th Nov	Year 1 and Year 2 Parents Meetings all day
Fri 18 th Nov	Children in Need Day – wear something spotty
Thurs 24 th Nov	PTA Craft Fair in the evening
Fri 2 nd Dec	Year 1-6 Panto at The Grand in the morning Children's Christmas Fair in the afternoon
Wed 7 th Dec	KS1 Nativity at 2pm
Thurs 8 th Dec	2.30pm – Reception Christmas Play Musical Theatre performance at 4pm KS1 Nativity at 6pm
Fri 9 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Tues 13 th Dec	6.15pm – Carols by Candlelight for KS2
Wed 14 th Dec	Children's Christmas Lunch in school Rainbow Team Christmas Parties in the afternoon Children can wear party clothes to school today
Fri 16 th Dec	Break up for Christmas at normal time

FRIENDLY REMINDERS



- *Bags2School collection is on Tuesday 8th November – please bring in any items before this.*
- *To commemorate Remembrance Day on Friday November 11th, we are inviting children who are members of Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Rangers, Brownies and Guides to wear their Guiding/Scouting uniforms to school if they wish to do so.*
- *We have a large selection of Poppy Appeal merchandise that the children can buy in school. Please can you send in any donations and Mrs Pallister will let the children choose what they would like.*

- *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!*

Safeguarding

The Designated Safeguarding Leads for School are:

Mrs White

Mrs Madeley

Mr Stell

On the parental questionnaires, many responses said that you would like a more detailed overview of what your child is learning in class. You should therefore have received a detailed learning overview for this half term this week. One of these will be sent home at the beginning of each half term so that you can see what your child will be learning. You will also continue to receive your weekly newsletter/email from the teacher.

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

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Holiday Dates

This week, 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 \(wwb.lancs.sch.uk\)](#)

Attendance

Week commencing 31st October 2022

Class	Attendance Percentage
Reception	93.6
Year 1	92.4
Year 2	94.8
Year 3	94.0
Year 4	93.3
Year 5	97.6
Year 6	99.3

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

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 apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about AMIGO

Amigo is a social platform which purports to connect strangers from around the world – and, with built-in translation software, it reduces the expected language barriers. Focusing heavily on one-to-one chat, video calls and live streams, Amigo encourages its users to build up online relationships and unlock exclusive features such as private video and audio calls: essentially, the more that people chat, the more functions become available to them. This is an app designed with mature users very much in mind and is therefore definitely not recommended for children.

AGE RATING
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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONE-TO-ONE COMMUNICATION

While online chats and livestreaming are a great way to communicate with people that children can trust (such as friends and family), Amigo encourages users to connect with complete strangers and develop a friendship through private chats, calls and videos. This will be a clear red flag for most parents, due to the possibility of a child encountering inappropriate content or an online predator.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTACT

Within minutes of signing up for our trial of Amigo (and without using a profile photo), users of the opposite sex were messaging with suggestive statements such as “You’re just my type” and “Let’s have fun”. While the app’s stated intent is to help people build friendships, some users obviously seek to take those relationships in a more mature and amorous direction.

MEMBERSHIP COSTS

Like many apps that are free to download, Amigo’s business model is centred on in-app purchases. Users are encouraged to pay for VIP membership – enabling them to send more messages each day and boosting their profile’s visibility. People can also buy coins (again, for real money) which allow them to send virtual gifts and further increase the number of messages they can send daily.

LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION

Amigo makes no secret of the fact that it’s for people aged 18 or above. There’s no age verification, however, so a young person could simply sign up under a false date of birth. The app’s algorithm claims to match users of similar ages (making them more compatible), but either the algorithm isn’t very reliable, or most users have entered a fake age which doesn’t correspond with their profile pic.

REWARDS FOR REPEATED USE

Amigo gifts virtual coins to users if they reply to messages within 10 seconds, while there are also daily rewards for posting comments, sharing a video, getting likes or simply opening the app. It also encourages increasing ‘intimacy levels’ with other users to unlock extra features: once someone’s online ‘friendship’ reaches intimacy level 3, they can hold one-to-one video calls with each other.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MONITOR DOWNLOADS

As well as frequent catch-ups with your child about what they’re enjoying doing online, you could consider taking the additional step of physically checking their phone every so often to see which apps they’ve installed. The safest option could be to enable ‘ask to buy’ (Apple) or ‘purchase approvals’ (Android) on their device, meaning your authorisation is needed to download any apps.

RESPECT AGE RESTRICTIONS

Apps have age restrictions for a reason, and Amigo is very definitely a mature content platform. Given that many of Amigo’s users apparently use a bogus date of birth, you might want to remind your child about the implications of setting up a fake profile – such as being exposed to messages and videos that make them feel uncomfortable or feeling pressured into chatting with strangers.

BLOCK, REPORT, DISCUSS

Many children already know that connecting with strangers online is dangerous, but it never hurts to refresh their memory. Whatever communication apps your child uses, make sure they’re fully aware that if anything online makes them feel uncomfortable, scared or upset, then they can block the user responsible, report the content, take a screenshot as evidence and come to tell you straight away.

ACTIVE LISTENING

If your child does approach you with a concern, make time to stop what you’re doing and actively listen. Let them talk without interrupting or showing any judgement, then discuss their options and the possible solutions: this empowers them and reassures them that you’re there to be supportive. If the issue is one that has put your child at risk, however, you may wish to contact the police.

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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