



Newsletter 21st October 2022

As we come to the end of the first half term, I would like to take a moment to stop and reflect on the progress we've made as a whole school. I've thoroughly enjoyed my first 7 weeks with the staff and children as well as getting to know lots of our families. Some of the key things that I've learned are:

The children are amazing; their behaviour for learning is exceptional and they are like little sponges wanting to soak up as much knowledge and learning as possible. Their manners and polite nature are wonderful. Their smiles make my day! The overall behaviour in school is of a very high standard and it is a pleasure to see this.

The staff have worked so hard this half term! I've asked a lot of them, and we've introduced lots of new things – they have accepted this and working tremendously hard. I couldn't have asked for more from them.

The extended curriculum offer here is excellent. The children have so many opportunities to thrive during the day and after school – this is a definite strength of the school.

The parental support has been phenomenal – I'm very grateful to you for completing the questionnaires, talking to me on the gate and working with us to make WWB the best school we can.

Thank you to every single child, staff member, parent/carer and Governor for making me feel so welcome! I look forward to the next half term and seeing 'Christmas at WWB'.

My very best wishes,

Mrs White

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Balanceability in Reception



Well done to all of the children in Reception for completing their Balanceability Lessons this week. You impressed everyone with your cycling skills!

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 5 Trip to Amazon World

Last Friday, Class 5 visited Tropical World to learn about the tropical rainforest and compare it to our native woodland.

They spotted lots of interesting plants and animals some from the rainforest and others from the desert. The cute and inquisitive meerkats were a favourite!

After lunch they had a lesson in the native woodland in Roundhay Park. They identified the trees in the area using their leaves and talked about the biodiversity in native woodland compared to that in a tropical rainforest. They also measured the height of an oak tree in the native woodland of Roundhay Park using a triangle method. They learnt about how trees in the rainforest can grow much taller and have larger waxy leaves with drip tips.



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Year 6 trip to Outdoor Elements

Year 6 enjoyed a day out at Outdoor Elements on Wednesday where they completed lots of fun activities!



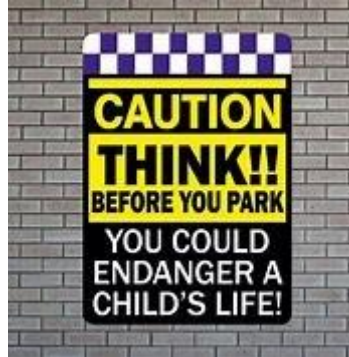
PUPILS OF THE WEEK



Well done to our pupils of the week:

Reception	Jenson
Year 1	Ashton
Year 2	Ben
Year 3	Sylvie
Year 4	Ella
Year 5	Ruby
Year 6	Miles
Citizen of the Week	Finnlay (Yr2)
Kindness Award	Georgia (Yr1)

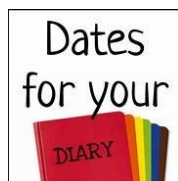
PARKING - just a gentle reminder of the following:



- *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.***

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Mon 31 st Oct	Children's Wellbeing Day – activities in school
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 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
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



- *The first Monday back is Children's Wellbeing day – activities will take place in school*
- *Bags2School collection is on Tuesday 8th November – please bring in any items before this.*
- *Year 3 Swimming on Wednesday afternoons*
- *Musical Theatre Club starts the week after half-term*

Safeguarding

The Designated Safeguarding Leads for School are:

Mrs White

Mrs Madeley

YEAR 6 PARENTS

Please remember to apply for your child's High School place by the 31st October.

You can do this via the County Council website:

[Apply for a school place - Lancashire County](#)

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

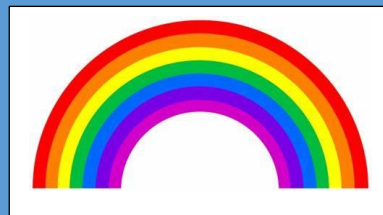
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Mrs White would like a new poster to showcase our school values! A poster that can be used on our website and displayed around school/in classes. She has decided to run a competition to see if the children would like to design a new one for our school. Any child can enter, and their design needs to be completed on an A4 sheet of paper.

Our school (RAINBOW) values are:

- Responsibility
- Achievement
- Independence
- Nurture
- Belief
- Optimism
- Wonder



Our School Mission statement is: Learning Together with enjoyment, challenge and Christian Values, we enable everyone to succeed.

If your child would like to enter the competition, please can they bring their entry to school on Monday 31st October.

I look forward to seeing the entries and choosing a new poster to showcase around school.

Attendance

Week commencing 17th October 2022

Class	Attendance Percentage
Reception	93.2%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	92.4%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	91.8%
Year 6	93.3%

Well done Year 2!

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 12-9-22	Yellow
w/c 19-9-22	Violet
w/c 26-9-22	Yellow
w/c 3-10-22	Green
w/c 10-10-22	Red
w/c 17-10-22	Yellow

The overall winner this half term is: YELLOW

They can wear non uniform to school on Friday 4th November.

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 SENDIT

Sendit is an add-on to Snapchat, not a standalone app: It requires users to have an active Snapchat account, which they then connect to Sendit. It's important that trusted adults realise, therefore, that any risks associated with Snapchat also affect children using Sendit. Within the app, people play question games like 'Truth or Dare' and 'Never Have I Ever': users select a question to share on their Snapchat story for their friends to reply to. All responses are anonymous, although - for paying subscribers - Sendit reveals hints about who sent which messages.

Age rating:
12+ App Store
Teen Google Play
However, Sendit's own terms and conditions state that it was developed for the 17+ age group

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ANONYMOUS RESPONSES
Anonymity online encourages people to say things and act in ways that they normally wouldn't. They're less accountable, and it's harder to track who sent a message. Research has highlighted that children perceive anonymous messages as being more severe than if the same message had come from a friend. Any app that lets children communicate anonymously should be treated with caution.

MENTAL HEALTH IMPACT
Categories of questions such as "Ask me anything" or "Rate me" - coupled with the app's anonymity - mean there is a likelihood of some friends or strangers (if the account is set to 'public') responding in a negative manner. These critical comments (especially if there are several) could ruin a young person's self-esteem - heightening their insecurities and affecting their mental health.

MEMBERSHIP COSTS
Currently costing £8.49 per week, Sendit's bi-monthly Membership offers clues about who sent a particular message, such as their approximate location, the type of phone used and any mutual friends. Membership also provides exclusive games and an ad-free experience. Young people may well be curious to find out who certain messages are from and therefore sign up for membership.

BULLYING AND HARASSMENT
Open-ended questions which relate personally to the sender are an opportunity for malicious people to make offensive remarks, which can lead to full-blown bullying and harassment. Additionally, bullies and trolls can hide behind the anonymity that Sendit offers, feeling more powerful and able to intimidate their target - who, by contrast, feels hurt, victimised and helpless.

POSSIBLE GROOMING
If your child doesn't have their Snapchat account set to private, or they have previously added strangers as friends, there is a possibility of predators responding to their Sendit questions. They do this in an attempt to gather information about your child - or to initiate a conversation with them, seeking ultimately to form an online 'friendship' and gain the young person's trust.

REPEATED ENGAGEMENT
On Sendit, users receive trophies for reaching a particular number of responses, for answering friends' questions and for posting their own. This sense of achievement could incentivise a young person to be active on Sendit more frequently - spending more time on their phone or tablet as they may naturally want to collect all of the trophies or might be competing with their peers.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ENCOURAGE EMPATHY
If your child has already downloaded Sendit, it might be wise to have a discussion with them about the impact that saying something anonymously online could have on others. Encourage them to think about how they would feel if they were on the receiving end of a particular comment. Reminding them to stop and re-read messages before sending could reduce the number of regrettable situations.

TALK IT OVER
Before allowing a young person onto a social networking app, it's a good idea to chat with them about the possibility of receiving hurtful comments. Explain that not everyone online is nice; that people often say things they don't mean; and that posts get misinterpreted. Teach your child not to reply to any offensive users on Sendit and simply block instead them (via the three dots in the top right of the screen).

BLOCK IN-APP PURCHASES
Even if you do allow your child to use Sendit, you might want to consider talking to them in advance about whether they really need a membership subscription. Either way, it's probably safest to make sure that in-app purchases are blocked in the settings, or that you have configured your child's device to ask for your approval before making a purchase online.

ONLY PLAY WITH FRIENDS
Stress the importance of your child playing Sendit games only with their close friends and not having strangers on their contacts list. This should help to keep the nature of the questions light-hearted - and if the games are being played among a small group, it will be easier for the members to figure out who gave certain answers if someone's been left feeling hurt or uncomfortable by any responses.

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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Sources: <https://www.getsendit.com/#faq> | <https://www.getsendit.com/privacy> | <https://www.getsendit.com/terms>
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Thank you to everyone for your positive contributions to school life and your friendliness. We hope you have a lovely half term break with your families.