



Message from Mrs Carlyle

I want to start this week off by saying a huge well done to our Year 6 pupils for their resilience and determination last week when completing their assessments. With only 26 teaching days to go, it is all hands on deck to make sure our pupils are fully prepared for their SATs assessments which run from Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May.



We have an exciting week coming up, with our eggs arriving in Year R on Tuesday so the children can learn about the life cycles of ducks. On Friday it is Red Nose Day and we are inviting our children to come dressed in something that makes them happy! I cannot wait to see everyone's smiling faces!

Have a great week.

Mrs Carlyle

Ofsted Parent View

Thank you to everyone who has submitted an Ofsted parent survey. So far we have had a total of 36 people complete across the two schools – it would be great if we had more! If you have something good to say about us – please share it!

If you have completed the survey and are not happy with the school, I urge you to make contact with us so we can try to resolve any issues!

Thank you!

Click [HERE](#) to have your say!

This week's assembly theme is...

Red Nose Day



Fundraising for Red Nose Day

Our pupils will be learning all about Red Nose Day and hear about some of the children Comic Relief supports.

On Friday, we would like your child to wear anything that makes them smile and you can come and join in with our 'Red Nose Day' wake and shake on the Infant playground at 8.40am. We are asking for donations of any amount to raise money for this worthy cause, please give what you can.

Key upcoming dates:

Monday 13 th March	Tuesday 14 th March	Wednesday 15 th March	Thursday 16 th March	Friday 17 th March
		NEU Strike Day	NEU Strike Day	Red Nose Day! Year R NCMP Checks
Monday 20 th March	Tuesday 21 st March	Wednesday 22 nd March	Thursday 23 rd March	Friday 24 th March
			Year 4 Ukelele Concert	

*****INSET DAY ADDED – Friday 31st March 2023*****



Communication Summary

Check here to see if you have missed any communication relevant to your child.

Find copies of letters [here](#), contact the school office on 02392 663645 or email contact.cp@kingsacademies.uk

- Year 4 Ukulele performances
- [Red Nose Day!](#)
- Cool Milk unavailable - 15th & 16th March
- [Infant school - Parent reading mornings are back!](#)
- [Koala Class information](#)
- [Seahorse Class information](#)
- [Starfish Class information](#)
- [Strike Action](#)
- [Strike Action – Update Letter](#)

Please remember that you can no longer use Studybugs to contact the school.

You will need to call or email the office team.

Reading Update

A huge thank you from Mrs Gaston to everyone who purchased a book at the most recent book fair!

We managed to raise an incredible £895 of Rewards to spend on books for the school as a result!



READING MORNINGS ARE BACK!

Parent Reading mornings are starting on a weekly basis in the infants from tomorrow!

We would like to welcome family members back into the classrooms for weekly reading mornings. The classroom doors will open at 8:45 for a 15 minute shared reading session. Please take this opportunity to enjoy a book with your child and model the value of reading!

Tuesdays – Year 1

Wednesday – Year R

Thursday – Year 2



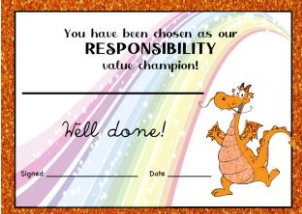


Our Value Champions this week...



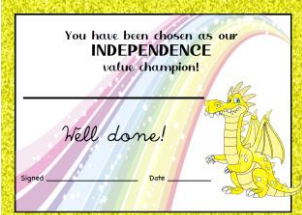
Finlay Starfish Class
All of Year 2

Teddy Neptune Class
 Carmen Apollo Class



Mason Seahorse Class

Jessica Anubis Class
 Ruby Fiennes Class
 Blake Sharman Class



Thomas Turtle Class
 Charlie Jellyfish Class
 Oscar Starfish Class
 Mia Wombat Class

Sanulya Ra Class
 Mirabel Ra Class
 Zara Minerva Class
 Amelie Sharman Class



Jessica Wombat Class
 Charlie Meerkat Class
 Brax Zebra Class

Ruby Minerva Class
 Aysu Peake Class



Kacey Apollo Class



Lylah-Rae Turtle Class

Layton Anubis Class
 Serah Hathor Class
 Sienna Neptune Class
 Eve Peake Class



Barnaby Jellyfish Class
 Adam Seahorse Class
 Josh Flamingo Class

Fraser Hathor Class
 Gracy Fiennes Class



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP



WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Fraudsters occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to win. Other common scams involve warning someone that their WhatsApp subscription has run out (aiming to dupe them into disclosing payment details) or impersonating a friend or relative and asking for money to be transferred to help with an emergency.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days by default. Photos and videos can also be instructed to disappear after the recipient has viewed them. These files can't be saved or forwarded – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove any wrongdoing. However, the receiver can take a screenshot and save that as evidence.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India in 2018, some outbreaks of mob violence appear to have been sparked by false allegations being shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hearsay theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

Group chat and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by an unkind comment or joke. The 'only admins' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a WhatsApp chat, you only need the mobile number of the person you want to message (the other person also needs to have the app). WhatsApp can access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts also use the app. So if your child has ever given their phone number to someone they don't know, that person could use it to contact them via WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

The 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a "simple and secure way to let people know where you are." It is a useful method for a young person to let loved ones know they're safe – but if they used it in a chat with people they don't know, they would be exposing their location to them, too.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CLICK HERE

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's phone number to add them as a contact, it's also worth altering a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody' – choosing one of the latter two ensures that your child's profile is better protected.

EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.

REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they'll be given the option to report it as spam. If the sender claims to be a friend or relative, call that person on their usual number to verify it really is them, or if it's someone trying to trick your child.

LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they don't want to be part of, they can use WhatsApp's group settings to leave. If someone exits a group, the admin can add them back in once; if they leave a second time, it is permanent.

THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'live location' function to show you or one of their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives a range of 'live location' options, and your child should manually stop sharing their position as soon as it is no longer needed.

DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child posts a message they want to delete, WhatsApp allows the user seven minutes to erase a message. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone.' However, it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.

CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was true or not.

Meet Our Expert

Parveen Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Clicks: a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.



School Calendar 2022 / 2023

Planned INSET Days:



- Thursday 1st September 2022
- Friday 2nd September 2022
- Friday 2nd December 2022
- Friday 10th February 2023
- Friday 31st March 2023
- Friday 30th June 2023

Please note – additional bank holiday on Monday 8th May for the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III.

Autumn Term 2022																				
	September					October					November			December						
Monday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31*	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		
Tuesday	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	
Wednesday	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	
Thursday	1*	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29
Friday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21#	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16#	23	30
Saturday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
Sunday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	

Spring term 2023																			
	January					February				March			April						
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20*	27	6	13	20	27	3	10	17*	24		
Tuesday	3*	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		
Wednesday	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	
Thursday	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	
Friday	6	13	20	27		3	10#	17	24	3	10	17	24	31#	7	14	21	28	
Saturday	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30

Summer Term 2023																				
	May					June				July			August							
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	5*	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	
Wednesday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	
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Sunday	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	

Bank and public holidays 2022/2023			
Christmas Day Holiday	25 December 2022	Easter Monday	10 April 2023
Boxing Day Holiday	26 December 2022	May Day Holiday	01 May 2023
New Year's Day Holiday	02 January 2023	Spring Bank Holiday	29 May 2023
Good Friday	07 April 2023	Summer Bank Holiday	28 August 2023
School Holidays		Bank holidays and national holidays	
* First day after break	# Last day before break		

