

Friday Flyer

12th May

Head of School Update

I hope that everyone enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and the associated coronation celebrations. The children have been relaying lots of stories of what they got up to and it certainly seems to have been a memorable weekend for them all.



This week we have been so proud of our Year 6 pupils who have approached their Key Stage 2 SATS papers with determination and shown great resilience over the 4 days. They have worked incredibly hard and deserve to do well.

Next week our PTA will be holding their AGM in the school hall on Monday at 2pm. There will be tea and cake and anyone who is interested in joining is welcome to attend. I know that the PTA work hard to raise much needed funds for the school and are very supportive of our ambition to broaden the children's experiences. We are indebted to this dedicated group of parents who give freely of their time to benefit our school community.

Have a lovely weekend
Best wishes

Mrs Blain



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 areas 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 **OFCOM'S 'CHILDREN AND PARENTS: MEDIA USE AND ATTITUDES' REPORT 2023**

Each year, Ofcom – Britain's regulatory body for communications – produces an overview of children and parents' media experiences across the previous year. The latest version has just been released, and we've pulled out some of the report's most thought-provoking findings which relate to online safety ...

97%

of children had access to the internet at home in 2022

89%

of children played video games

25%

played with people they didn't know

22%

talked to people they didn't know

POPULAR PLATFORMS

Most used by **under-18s** were ...



YouTube: 88%



WhatsApp: 55%



TikTok: 53%

Snapchat: 48%

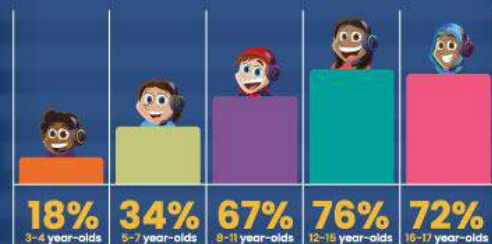


Instagram: 41%

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PLAYING GAMES ONLINE

Who's playing – and at which age?



TALE OF THE TECH

Devices most often used to go online:



75% of 3-4s use tablets



86% of 5-7s use tablets



70% of 8-11s use tablets



88% of 12-15s use phones



87% of 16-17s use phones

PARENTAL CONCERNS

Parents and carers most commonly worried about their child ...

75% seeing age-inappropriate content



70% being cyber-bullied online



70% seeing pro-self-harm content



65% giving out personal details to strangers



65% having their data collected by companies



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Do*#! 3 in 10

children had experienced someone being nasty or hurtful to them on apps or platforms.

70%

of 12 to 17-year-olds were confident in their ability to identify a fake profile. But **23%** were unable to do so when tested.

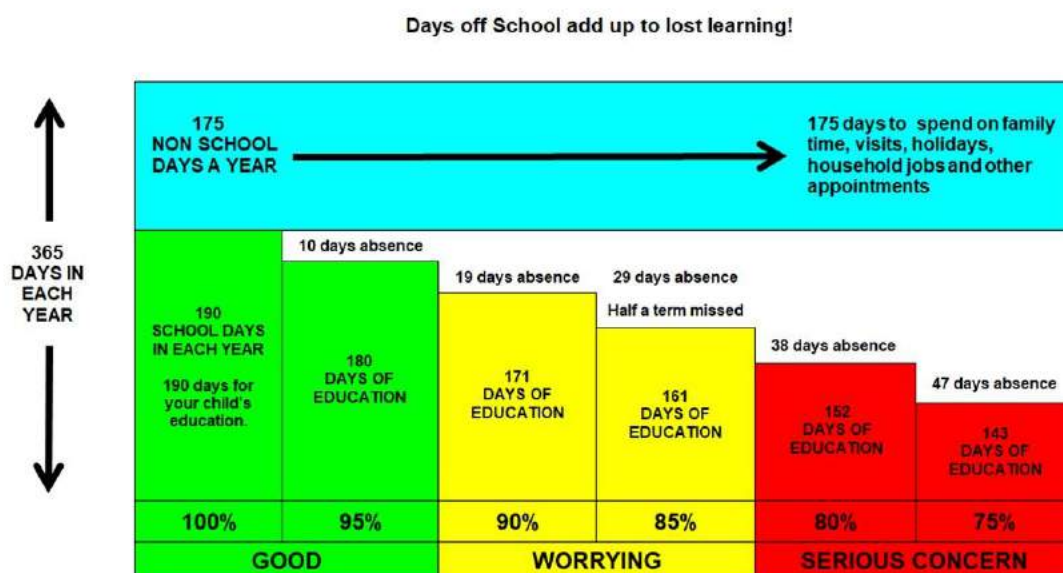


£38 children's average monthly spend on video games



Class	Attendance
Reception	94.32
Y1/2	95.59
Y3/4	95.00
Y5/6	89.20

Please refer to the graphic below which shows the significant impact of absence over time.



Upcoming events:

Tues 16 May	Selected Y4 visit Quayside to dance for the Flow Project
Wed 17 May	Flow Project dance filming involving KS1&2 (wear the required clothing- see separate letter)
Thursday 25 May	Y3/4 Egyptian Day in school - come dressed as an Egyptian or Pharoah
Friday 26 May	End of Summer 1
Monday 5 June	Summer 2 begins
Mon 5- Wed 7	Paris trip
Wed 7 June	Sheep day
Thursday8-Fri 9th	KS1 Bikeability
Week beginning 12 June	Year 1 phonics screening
Friday 16 June	Reception Bikeability
Friday 23 June	Bikeability Y3/4
Week beginning 26 June	Y6 France trip to St Omer
Friday 7 July	Summer Fair
Week beg 10 July	Flow Exhibition of Pele Trust primary schools creative arts work at Ponteland Leisure Centre
Mon 10 -Wed 12	Bikeability Y5/6
Thursday 13 July	Flow Music Concert at Ponteland High School -6pm
Friday 21 July	End of term - school closes at 1pm
All dates may be subject to change.	

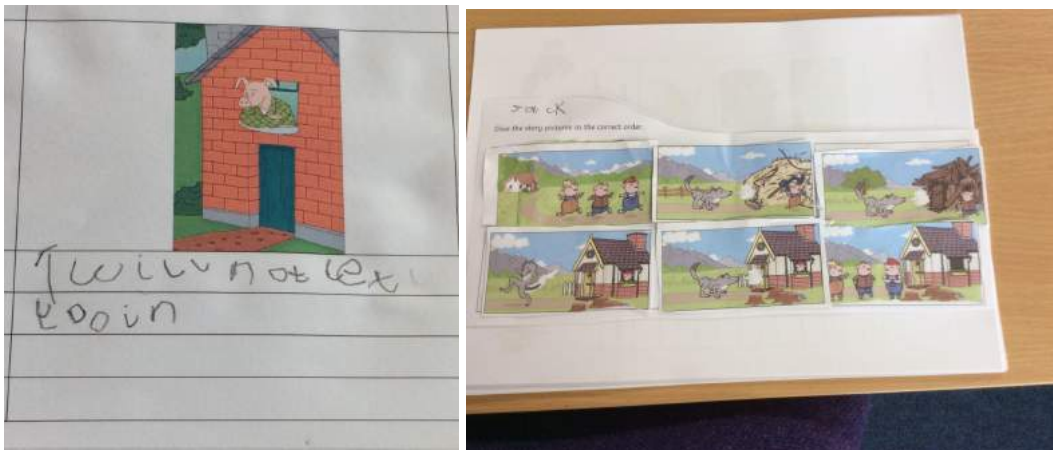


The week in Reception

We have had another fantastic week in Reception. This week we have focused on the story of The Three Little Pigs. We have looked at different versions of the story and thought about which ending we like the best. We have also thought about designing our own homes and the materials we would use. We definitely have some inventors in the future.

The children have also enjoyed being scientists this week. We made predictions, completed the experiment and then made a conclusion. All of this linked to our story of the Three Little Pigs and helped us to decide which little pig we would live with.

The children have enjoyed working together to write their story about the Three Little Pigs. They have used pictures to sequence the story as well.



The children have been very busy this week and it has been lovely to see them working so hard. Next week we are looking forward to spending time in the invention shed to make our own musical instruments. We will be sending these home to show you once they are completed.

Miss Houghton



The week in Key Stage 1

Year 1 and 2 had a fabulous visit to the Laing Art Gallery to meet their penpals from St Lawrence's School. The children had lots of fun meeting each other for the very first time in person and although shy at first, the children bonded well throughout the day and worked collaboratively in the gallery to complete a range of activities. We learnt to make Music together from joint observation of paintings, played lots of games to find out more about one another, worked in a team to draw lines that portrayed feelings and even invented characters that reflected our personalities. We learnt that although we share lots of similarities with one another, it's the differences between us that make us special and unique.





In History this week we have been further studying what caused the Second World War and learning about the key events. We worked hard to put the events in chronological order to create timelines.

Miss Dixon

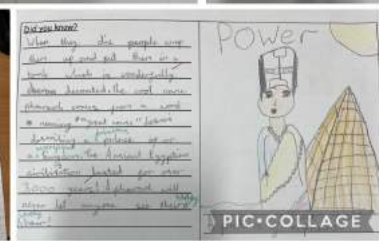
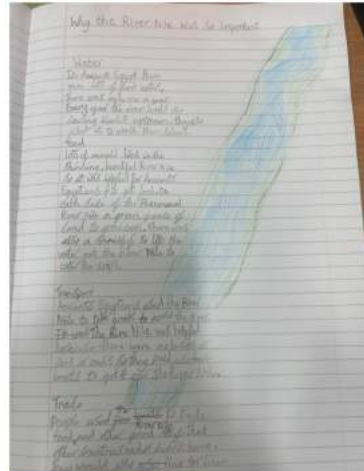
The week in Year 3 and 4

What an amazing week in Year 3 and 4! This week we achieved our class goal of always using our manners which meant we were able to have our outside afternoon filled with art, teamwork, sports and exploring the Forest School area as we decided these were our favourite things to do outside. We then continued to reflect on what we had done this week to make ourselves proud.

We have loved learning more about Ancient Egypt and especially learning about pharaohs. In English we looked at the features of a fact file to help us plan and then create our own fact files all about pharaohs. We then challenged ourselves to work on our self editing skills to make our writing even better independently.

In History we also explored the importance of the River Nile during Ancient Egypt and this allowed us to create our own posters filled with lots of interesting information we had gathered over the week.

Well done on a super week Year 3 and 4 and I look forward to working towards our new class goal in the coming weeks.



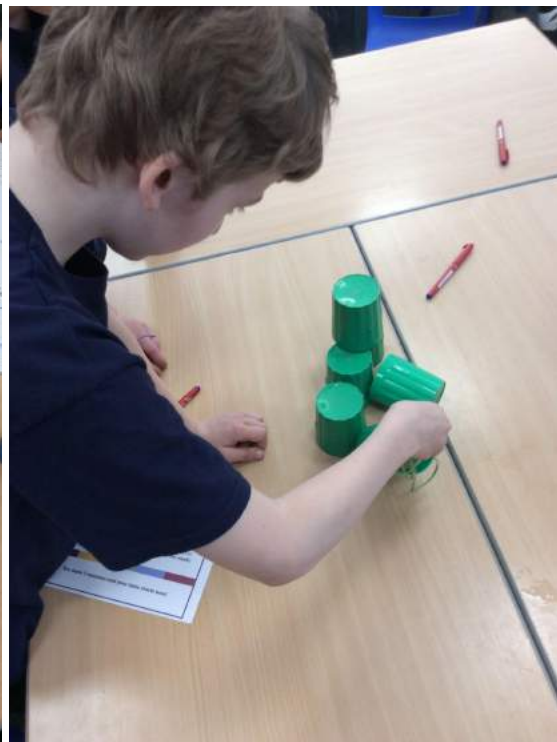
Miss Cruise

The week in Year 5 and 6

It has been a busy week again in Year 5 and 6 and the children have been very respectful while tests have been going on too.

Young Leaders' Award

This week the children looked at how to be good team players and demonstrated that when we work together and share ideas, we can be successful. Teams took part in the 'cup challenge' where they had to show initiative and leadership skills. The task could only be successful if we all communicated and listened to each other.



We also asked ourselves the question, *'If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?'* The children had some very thoughtful and insightful answers on how the world could be a better place.

English

During our English lessons we have continued to work our way through our book, *The*



Accidental Prime Minister. This week we are looking at what our own 10 Downing Street would look like if we had to design it. There were some interesting thoughts and ideas.

SATs

Well done to the Y6 children who have shown great maturity, grit and determination during this important week. Thank you also to the Y5 pupils who have moved into the hall during the mornings to ensure the Y6s could work in a quiet space and thanks to the rest of the school who have made timetable changes to accommodate the tests.

Mr Harvey and Miss Thomas