

NEWSLETTER



The Forest Family

Have a great weekend.

Awards

25th March 2022

ALL SAINTS

Class 1: **Spencer T** Class 2: **Sebastian B** Class 3: **Reggie** Class 4 **Caitlin F**

Badges: ★ **Harry C (Gold Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Sebastian B, Lilly-Rose B, Pixie, Emilia, Idris x2, Oliver H, Francesca x2, Maisie, Harvey R, Harry C, Madeleine W**

NEEDWOOD

Class 1: **Joshua S** Class 2: **Martha O** Class 3 **William H**

Badges: ★ **Henrietta W, Verity R (Green star)** ☆ **Joseph M – (Silver star)** 🏆 **Destiny, (Star Trophy)**

Headteacher awards: **William C, Jack B, William H, Bella C**

Dear Parents,

The weeks seem to be going very fast at All Saints and Needwood! It is amazing to think we are nearly at the end of the Spring term. The children have enjoyed playing outside in the sunshine at both schools, and at All Saints we have had the new field cut ready to be used!

The children have been doing some fantastic activities as part of science week and it has been great for them to meet different people to find out how they use science in their jobs. Thank you to the parents who have been able to talk to the children.

It has been wonderful to invite parents to our Mother's Day services today. Sadly, with rising covid cases we still have to be careful about the number of visitors we have so thank you for your support. Well done to the staff and children for putting together their class performances.

Have a great weekend,
Best Wishes

Mr Baxter

DIARY - ALL SAINTS

29.3.22	CLASS 3 PIZZA EXPRESS TRIP
30.3.22	YEAR 6 LEAVERS PHOTOGRAPHS
6.4.22	EASTER SERVICE DETAILS TBC
7.4.22	LAST DAY OF TERM
8.4.22	EXTRA INSET DAY
25.4.22	RETURN AFTER EASTER HOLIDAY

DIARY - NEEDWOOD

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LUNCH MENU WILL BE WEEK 1

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE

ALL SAINTS

CLASS 1 - 99.32%

CLASS 2 - 91.64%

CLASS 3 - 88.40%

CLASS 4 - 89.76%

WELL DONE EVERYONE

NEEDWOOD

CLASS 1 - 94.64 %

CLASS 2 - 85.99%

CLASS 3 - 84.67%

YEAR 6 LEAVERS PHOTOGRAPH

Needwood on Tuesday 29th

Rangemore on Wednesday 30th.

Please make sure your child has their school jumper for the photo.

UNIFORM

A reminder that all children must wear black shoes for school (apart from PE days, of course). No boots please. Thank you.

PARKING

Zig Zag's are **designed to indicate that parking and overtaking in these zones is strictly prohibited**. This is to give a clear view of the road where children are crossing to get to school.

Please can all parent make sure that they **DO NOT** park or even drop off on these. Thank you.

Y3/4 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT:

Two teams of children played in a Barton hockey tournament against other primary schools last Friday and showed huge amounts of courage, team work and resilience. The sun was shining, children were cheering, and Miss Williams, Mrs C Jones, parents and pupils left the pitches feeling very proud of our teams' achievements - especially considering they'd only had two hockey lessons prior to this event. Well done to all the children involved!



SCIENCE WEEK:

Both schools got involved in lots of investigations and discussions this week to celebrate Science week. Classes carried out a whole-school investigation to find out whether older people have larger hands than younger people, which united all classes in one big project. Children also learnt about some of our pupils' parents' science-linked careers, asked them lots of questions and felt inspired by the amazing science that happens around us all the time. Miss Williams would like to thank the parents who got involved for their support in making science week so successful for our children.





Awesome Acorns



The children have spent most of their time outside this week enjoying the lovely sunshine! We will be getting out more now the weather is getting warmer so children can play with the outdoor equipment. They have enjoyed playing with skipping ropes and bean bags and some nights, instead of playing football, have created their own games and played well together. We have seen lots of super behaviour, sharing and team work throughout the week.

Thank you to the children who have washed/dried up after snack this week. What a brilliant job you do and work together so well!

We now have a 'reward' chart in Awesome Acorns. Children will have a tally added to the chart when staff recognise positive attitudes/behaviour and reward them for different things we see them do throughout the week, from using their manners to being kind and helpful towards staff/each other. We are so proud of the children for their brilliant behaviour and the way they help and support us/each other. We will use this chart to choose our Awesome Acorn of the month (whether children are in Acorns daily or for a short while) and this is a fair way for them to be rewarded for the lovely things we see during their time with us.

Next week the children will continue to be involved in lots of activities where they will work together and have fun.

Some days (between 3.15pm -4.00pm) we may go for a play in the park or woods. We will be back in school by 4.00pm. If at any time you need to collect your child earlier, could I ask, if possible, that you Dojo me (Mrs Slater) on a day your child may be collected earlier, so a staff member can bring your child back to school for collection. Could you also Dojo me to let me know if your child has been asked to take part in any up-coming after school sports events but have already been booked into Awesome Acorns and no longer need after school provision for that day. Thank you for your understanding.

Thank you as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Slater and the Awesome Acorns team

Hello Everyone

What a lovely sunny week! The children have been making the most of the beautiful afternoons and have been discovering (and re- discovering) our outdoor equipment. Our little ones have been trying their hand at some new activities.

It seems hitting a small shuttlecock with a small racquet is quite difficult - time to bring in the giant shuttlecock - that worked!

Some ball games, role play and an egg hunt were also enjoyed along with a spot of quiet reading under the tree.

Our Funky Pheasants have made brilliant progress with our Easter display board, 'Egg hunt' It's looking very colourful. Thank you all

(still room for some more creations).

Last night we had our tea on the field 'picnic style' which was lovely.

Next week's timetable is no 2:-

Mon - Games table

Tues - Craft

Wed - Dressing up

Thurs - Tech

Fri - Free play

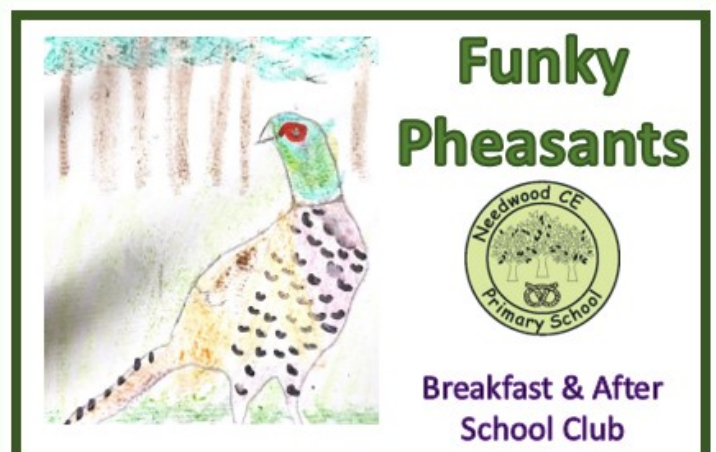
We will be outside as often as possible.

Our Easter bake is planned for Wednesday 6 April for all attending Funky Pheasants on that day.

Have a lovely weekend everyone - Don't forget to put your clocks forward!!!

We will play and eat outside as the weather permits.

Mrs Goring and Miss Waterhouse



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 for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about PHONE SCAMS

In a three-month period during 2021, no fewer than 45 million people in the UK experienced a suspicious attempt at being contacted via their mobile. Phone scams are a common form of cyber-attack where fraudsters engage directly with their intended victim through their smartphone. As our phones carry so many sensitive (and therefore potentially valuable) details about us, it's vital that trusted adults are alert to the tactics that scammers use to get access to user accounts, personal data and private information for financial gain.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SMISHING

SMS phishing, or 'smishing' is one of the most common forms of mobile-based cyber-attack. Smishing is when a scammer texts their target, pretending to be a reputable person or organisation. They aim to trick the victim into supplying sensitive data such as bank details and personal information, so that they can then access the target's bank accounts and remove money.

IMPERSONATION

Fraudsters often impersonate someone else to trick the victim into actually transferring money directly. They might claim, for example, to be a friend or relative using a different number who urgently needs funds. Other common cons include sending fake texts informing the target that they have a package which requires a fee to be delivered, or that they have an unpaid bill to settle.

NUMBER SPOOFING

Here, the scammer takes impersonation one step further by cloning the phone number of a genuine company. So when the target receives a call or text, their phone recognises the sender's number as legitimately belonging to Amazon, HMRC, the NHS or the DVLA (who have all been impersonated in these cons). This makes the scam far harder to spot and the victim much more inclined to comply.

FAKE TECH SUPPORT

Attackers contact a target, pretending to work for their employers' IT support team. They then advise them to download some software to fix 'a technical issue' with their device. In reality, however, the software grants the scammers access to the victim's private data and sensitive information. This con is more common on desktop and laptop devices, but is still possible to accomplish on mobiles.

SIM HIJACKING

SIM hijacking switches control of a phone account from the victim's SIM card to one in the scammers' possession. Criminals use personal details pieced together from social media (birthday, address, pet's name and so on) to pose as you, then instruct your phone network to transfer your number to their SIM – giving them access to all calls and texts meant for you, including one-time login passcodes.

Advice for Parents & Carers

DO SOME DIGGING

If you've received a call or text asking for specific information, research the caller's number. There are several websites that allow you to enter a phone number and will then display any relevant information about it – this usually includes feedback and comments from other people, so you can easily see if that particular number has been implicated in potential scams.

TRY A CALL BLOCKER

If a suspicious call comes through on your mobile, you can manually block the number if you believe it to be dubious or a nuisance caller. Alternatively, you could consider installing a call blocker service on your phone. They automatically stop calls getting through from numbers which have been reported as suspicious, helping potential scammers in their tracks before they can reach you.

VERIFY THE SOURCE

Never disclose confidential details to an individual or organisation you're unfamiliar with. If the caller claims to represent a company you trust but is still asking for personal information or payment on an outstanding charge, end the conversation. Then find the company's genuine number on a bill or on their website and call them directly to confirm if there really is an issue you need to address.

BREAK OUT THE TECH

Lots of anti-virus software now also protects mobiles. Some anti-virus apps can detect phishing links in text messages and alert you to the risk. When you're out and about, try not to use public WiFi for sensitive transactions: it's far less secure than your home WiFi network. Instead, you could consider installing a VPN (virtual private network), which encrypts all data travelling to and from your phone.

REPORT INCIDENTS

If you or a family member does give out confidential information to a caller you aren't sure about, contact the actual company mentioned to check if the call was genuine. If they confirm that the call was not made by their organisation, you should report it as a potential scam via the Action Fraud website and (depending on exactly what information was divulged) consider involving the police.

BE WARY OF LINKS

If you get a message from an unknown number asking you to click on a link, report it as spam and do not open the link. One recent example 'warned' victims they'd been exposed to the Omicron variant and needed to click a link to buy a special test – only to find they had paid their money to scammers. Links can also install malware onto your device, so always treat them with extreme caution.

Meet Our Expert

Formed in 2018, KryptoKloud provides cyber security and resilience solutions to its customers. With offices in the UK, the company offers managed service operational packages including cyber security monitoring and testing, risk audit, threat intelligence and incident response.



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Sources: <https://www.actionfraud.gov.uk/news-centre/2021/45-million-people-targeted-by-scams> | <https://www.protectionuk.com/blog/what-is-sim-hijacking-new-uk-hoax-scams-financial-scams-compare-two-ways-6-seconds> | <https://www.which.co.uk/news/2022/03/the-five-biggest-scams-of-2021/>



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1 Corinthians 4:2 Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful

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School information can be provided in different languages, large print, simple text only or Braille.

Please speak to Mr Baxter if you have a particular requirement.

