

# NEWSLETTER



# The Forest Family

Have a great weekend.

## Awards

17th February 2023

### ALL SAINTS

Class 1: **Charlie** Class 2: **Haadi** Class 3: **Isa** Class 4: **Peter**

Badges: ★ **Issy D, Isa A (Bronze Star)** ★ **Caitlin F (Gold Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Jack B, Samuel R, Bonnie B, Alicia D, Johan M**

Writer of the Week: **Dylan**

### NEEDWOOD

Class 1: **Mathew P** Class 2: **William C** Class 3: **Ella H**

Badges: ★ **Isabella P, Francesca P (Green Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Jude N, Ella R, Ellie P, Heidi W, Sienna S, Thomas C**

Writer of the Week: **Tobias**

Dear Parents,

As we get to the half-way point of the school year, I would like to thank all of the children for making our schools such wonderful places to be! Their hard work, respect and love of learning are fantastic! We are also really proud of the children for their contributions to fundraising, and for their willingness to help others. Well done to everyone for making the effort to fundraise for the Turkey and Syria earthquake appeal today.

I hope all of our families have a wonderful half term.

Best wishes,

**Mr Baxter**

### Star Foundation Collection Days

All Saints - Thursday 2nd March

Needwood - Wednesday 1st March

Please bring in any unwanted clothes, shoes, belts, CDs, DVDs and books in a bag and these will be reused and recycled by the Star Foundation! The children will also experience activities on the day provided by the Star Foundation.

### Comic Relief and Mothers' Day Services

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

## ATTENDANCE

### ALL SAINTS

CLASS 1 - 92%

**CLASS 2 - 96%**

CLASS 3 - 95%

CLASS 4 - 95%

### NEEDWOOD

**CLASS 1 - 98%**

CLASS 2 - 91%

CLASS 3 - 96%

WELL DONE CHILDREN!

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

	<i>JOY</i> <i>May S</i>		<i>LOVE</i> <i>Charlie S</i> <i>Jasmine S</i>		<i>PEACE</i> <i>Alaynah</i> <i>Alfie H</i>
	<i>GOODNESS</i> <i>Zach</i> <i>Ellie P</i>		<i>FAITHFULNESS</i> <i>Suleiman K</i>		<i>PATIENCE</i> <i>Oliver N</i> <i>Verity R</i>
	<i>KINDNESS</i> <i>Ella G</i> <i>Hazel Blossom G</i>		<i>SELF CONTROL</i> <i>Oliver H</i> <i>Thomas C</i>		<i>GENTLENESS</i> <i>Reuben</i> <i>Annabel C</i>

### DIARY - ALL SAINTS

2.3.23	WORLD BOOK DAY
2.3.23	STAR FOUNDATION COLLECTION
6.3.23 2.15 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP RECEPTION
13.3.23 2.15 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP YEAR 1
14.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
16.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
17.3.23	MOTHERS DAY SERVICES (TIME TBC)
17.3.23	COMIC RELIEF
20.3.23 2.15 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP YEAR 2

### DIARY - NEEDWOOD

27.2.23 2.30 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP YEAR 2
1.3.23 2.30 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP YEAR 1
1.3.23	STAR FOUNDATION COLLECTION
2.3.23	WORLD BOOK DAY
6.3.23 2.30 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP RECEPTION
14.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
16.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
17.3.23	MOTHERS DAY SERVICES—9.15AM
17.3.23	COMIC RELIEF

## READING RESOLUTIONS REVISITED

It is nearly the end of the first term of 2023 and it has been fabulous to enjoy lots of reading in school already. Thank you for supporting our drive to get everyone reading at least 10 minutes, 5 times a week; the benefits of this will be enormous and many more of our pupils are now achieving this every week.

To continue the push, reading remains high profile next term with our WORLD BOOK DAY event on Thursday 2nd March. Across both our schools we will be sharing the book

### 'The Bedtime Book of Impossible Questions' by Isobel Thomas

and we are asking pupils to come to school in pyjamas or onesies to reiterate the benefits of reading before bed. Throughout the day we will be sharing reading events and the book contents tie in with our Science Week work (which will follow in March).

Keep reading over half term everyone and put the date in your diary to come in your PJs on World Book Day!

## NEEDWOOD PTA

The preloved clothes rail has been packed away for this term and nearly half the stock has been taken. we are so pleased we have been able to help our school family with new uniform. We shall bring the rail out once a term, so if you have any outgrown summer uniform that you would like to donate please pass it onto the PTA. In the meantime, if you need anything please see Mrs Spencer in school who will be able to help.

# Needwood School pre loved uniform



HAS YOUR CHILD OUTGROWN THEIR SCHOOL UNIFORM  
BUT ITS STILL IN GOOD CLEAN CONDITION?

PLEASE DONATE IT TO NEEDVWOOD PTA SO IT CAN BE  
WASHED, IRONED AND STORED IN SCHOOL

IF YOU WISH TO LOOK AT THE PRE LOVED CLOTHES, PLEASE  
SEE MRS SPENCER AT SCHOOL TO ARRANGE

THANK YOU



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 platform of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# NETFLIX

Netflix is a subscription-based streaming service that allows users to watch TV shows and movies on any internet-enabled device that supports the software, such as smart TVs, phones and tablets. The pandemic saw a surge in children consuming on-demand content as many families relaxed their screen-time rules. Netflix's diverse range of programming caters for all age groups – so it's important for parents to recognise the potential risks of children using the service and the measures to help their child enjoy a safe streaming experience.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Netflix produces and curates an extensive catalogue of content that can provide hours of entertainment. If they share the same user account as an adult, this can potentially lead to children accidentally viewing all manner of inappropriate content, including nudity, profanity and extreme violence. This can happen easily on shared accounts, as Netflix cannot establish who's watching.

### BINGE-WATCHING

Netflix allows users to view shows and movies quickly and easily without adverts or interruptions, making excessive screen time a concern. Binge-watching has become more common during the pandemic, due to Netflix's regularly updated content and algorithms which recommend content very similar to what's previously been enjoyed. Marathon viewing sessions can lead to children staying up too late, affecting their mood and concentration the next day.

### SCREEN ADDICTION

From TVs and phones to consoles and tablets, Netflix is available on almost any device with an internet connection – making it extremely difficult to manage children's screen time. The service is now adding games to its mobile app, tempting users to spend even more time on the platform. Screen addiction can distract children from important activities like schoolwork and socialising, and can impact their health by reducing their exercise and sleep.

### HACKING ATTEMPTS

With millions of users worldwide, Netflix is often targeted by hackers who try to steal usernames and passwords to gain access to people's accounts. If successful, they can then steal payment details or try to sell stolen personal data on the dark web, providing other criminals with a profitable opportunity. Netflix also doesn't provide two-factor authentication, making the hackers' task that little bit easier.

### CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

Netflix's Teleparty feature became popular during lockdown periods as it allows users from different households (friends and relatives, for example) to synchronise when they watch content. It requires an access link to be sent to the people you wish to invite; the link, however, can also be distributed to people you don't know. A text chat feature enables interaction with the other users in real-time: this represents a risk to children if a stranger gains access to the Teleparty.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### KEEP ACCOUNTS SECURE

Netflix doesn't use two-factor authentication, so a strong password is vital. Your child's Netflix password should be unique (not one they've used elsewhere) and a minimum of eight characters with a mix of letters, numbers and symbols. Emphasise not to share their login details with anyone and remind them to always log out after using the app – so their account remains inaccessible, even if their device is lost or stolen.

### CHECK MATURITY RATING

Netflix warns about content that includes violence, sex, profanity and nudity. These warnings form part of the show or movie's 'maturity rating'. Users can restrict age ratings to avoid children viewing age-inappropriate content. On their profile, open the Profile and Parental Control settings and choose the maturity level for the shows and movies you want to allow.



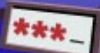
### CREATE A KIDS' PROFILE

Setting up a Netflix Kids experience profile means your child can only access content which is suitable for children aged up to 12 years. All other content is automatically blocked. This rating can be further restricted via the child's profile settings. Setting up a Netflix Kids experience profile will help to prevent your child from viewing age-inappropriate content.



### SET UP PROFILE PINS

Netflix account holders can lock profiles using a four-digit PIN. Doing this can prevent your child from accessing the wrong account and viewing content that isn't appropriate for their age. Try setting a PIN for each account on your Netflix app – ideally avoiding numbers that would be easily guessed, such as dates of birth. Remember not to share these PINs with anyone, including family.



### SWITCH OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a show or movie concludes, Netflix's algorithms select content with similar themes that it thinks your child will enjoy next. This new content starts automatically after a 10-second countdown. Disabling this auto-play feature reduces the possibility of your child being shown something inappropriate and provides a natural break to help prevent them becoming too immersed in Netflix.



### CHECK VIEWING HABITS

Netflix has tools which enable parents and carers to monitor what their child has been watching. Selecting 'Viewing Activity' in each profile's account settings displays a list of what content has been viewed (and when). This can reassure parents that their child is watching age-appropriate content and can open avenues for discussing your child's favourite shows and movies, and why they like them.



### 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: [www.help.netflix.com](http://www.help.netflix.com) | [www.about.netflix.com](http://www.about.netflix.com) | [www.ofcom.gov.uk](http://www.ofcom.gov.uk)



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## COMMUNITY

### MESSAGE FROM TAMWORTH FIRE AND POLICE STATION

Recently, there has been an increase in the number of house fires in Staffordshire and I hope you can share the attached safety messages with all of your contacts to spread the safety messages throughout Staffordshire.

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#### Community Safety Flash

Staffordshire Fire & Rescue attend many chimney fires each year which can be prevented by following the advice below



- Ensure you choose the correct size appliance for your room
- Have the chimney swept at the start of the heating season
- Clean the fire regularly



- Use good quality fuel
- If burning wood, ensure it is completely dried out
- Do not store logs directly next to stove to avoid ignition due to the heat surrounding the stove



- Use protective gloves to open the door
- Use a fire guard to protect flooring from hot embers and sparks
- Keep matches and lighters away from children
- Fit smoke and carbon monoxide detectors

For more information about chimney fire safety visit the website for the National Association of Chimney sweeps (<https://naocs.org.uk/>)

For more information on finding chimney sweeps, fuels and retailer visit [www.hetas.co.uk](http://www.hetas.co.uk)

Please give us a call and have a chat with your Community Safety Officers on 01786 888719 or email: - [csdopreventeam@staffordshirefire.gov.uk](mailto:csdopreventeam@staffordshirefire.gov.uk)

In the event of an emergency – get out and stay out DIAL 999



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#### Community Safety Flash

### FIRE SAFETY IN YOUR HOME

Top tips for keeping you and your family safe



#### Plugs



Turn off appliance plugs when not in use

#### Doors



Do not leave a fire door open, do not prop it open and never disconnect an automatic closer

#### Appliances



Do not leave appliances running when no one is home or when you are asleep

#### Smoking



Do not smoke in bed and always put out cigarettes fully

#### Smoke alarms



Test your smoke alarms at least monthly and do not cover or remove

#### BBQ



If you have a balcony, do not have a BBQ on it

#### Cooking



Do not leave cooking unattended and do not leave children alone in the kitchen while cooking

#### Belongings



A tidy home with fewer belongings can reduce the risk of a fire spreading

#### Candles



Do not leave lit candles unattended and always put out fully

#### Matches



Store matches and lighters in a safe place, away from children

#### Electrical



Do not overload electrical sockets and switch them off when not in use

#### Flammable



Do not store anything flammable, such as petrol, in your home



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# WOW!

JOIN US FOR FUN, FRIENDSHIP, INFORMAL WORSHIP  
AND CAKE EACH WEEK

WEDNESDAYS - ST JAMES' CHURCH  
BARTON UNDER NEEDWOOD  
FROM 9:15AM

THURSDAYS - TATENHILL VILLAGE HALL  
TATENHILL  
FROM 9:00AM

NO NEED TO BOOK  
JUST JOIN US AT THESE FAB, FREE,  
SESSIONS



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