

NEWSLETTER



The Forest Family

Awards

10th March 2023

ALL SAINTS

Class 1: **Alaynah** Class 2: **Johan** Class 3: **William** Class 4: **Eva**

Badges: ★ **Nathanial, Riley (Silver Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Reuben, Sophie H, Maddison S**

Writer of the Week: **Mason**

NEEDWOOD

Class 1 **Isabella P** Class 2: **Thomas** Class 3: **Jasmine**

Badges: ★ **James R (Bronze Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Ella H, Bella C, Dillon S**

Writer of the Week: **May S**

Dear Parents,

We have had a wonderful week of activities to celebrate 'Science Week'. Thank you so much to the parents who have been into both schools to talk about science and how they use it in their professions. It has been fantastic for the children to hear about the importance and use of science in their lives. There are lots of photos on our Twitter pages if you would like to see many of the things we have been doing.

Thank you for your patience and support getting the children to school safely during the snowy weather. Snowfall always creates a lot of questions about whether schools are closing or not, especially if other local schools decide to close. The guidance states that we should always aim to stay open, but we have to consider if it is safe for children, staff and parents if we do so. Keep checking Dojo and emails as if we ever need to close a school or close early, we will use these to keep parents up to date.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,

Mr Baxter

ATTENDANCE

ALL SAINTS

CLASS 1 - 90%

CLASS 2 - 96%

CLASS 3 - 93%

CLASS 4 - 97%

NEEDWOOD

CLASS 1 - 100 %

CLASS 2 - 96%

CLASS 3 - 95%

WELL DONE CHILDREN!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DIARY - ALL SAINTS

13.3.23 2.15 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP YEAR 1
14.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
16.3.23 11.30 am	MOTHERS DAY LUNCH R/YEARS 1 & 2
16.3.23 12.15 pm	MOTHERS DAY LUNCH YEARS 3/4/5 & 6
16.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
17.3.23	MOTHERS DAY SERVICES (2.15 PM)
17.3.23	COMIC RELIEF
20.3.23 2.15 pm	MASTERING NUMBER WORKSHOP YEAR 2

DIARY - NEEDWOOD

14.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
15.3.23	MOTHERS DAY LUNCH
16.3.23	PARENTS EVENING
16.3.23	CAKE DONATIONS FOR PTA
17.3.23	MOTHERS DAY SERVICES (9.15 AM)
17.3.23	COMIC RELIEF

SCIENCE WEEK:

Children had an incredible science week! After reading 'The Bedtime Book of Impossible Questions' by Isabel Thomas, they wrote their own scientific questions and had fun investigating some. Classes also completed a challenge set by Miss Williams by sending a message to another class using their science knowledge and skills. We'd like to thank Mrs Morley, Mr Wells, Mrs Warr, Mrs Cleaver and Mr Hayhurst who kindly visited classes throughout the week to speak about their jobs and how they link to/involve science. It was wonderful to connect with parents and people from our community so we could work together and inspire our young learners.





What a busy day we had on Wednesday and was so lucky to miss the snow! We managed to fit so much in. After their usual bit of wild play they got into two groups and build dens and they were spectacular! Each so different but so imaginative and easily passing the water test - i.e. Mrs Spencer throwing a bucket of water over the den whilst the children who built it sat inside!

During this activity each child came and used a sheath knife. They tried two to see if they could feel a difference in how they cut and whether one was sharper than the other? They all handled the knives really well and learnt the safety rules when using a sheath knife.

Another fabulous Forest School session.





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 app of many 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

TIKTOK

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

TikTok is a video-sharing social media app which lets people create, view and download looping 15-second clips. Typically, these are videos of users lip-syncing and dancing to popular songs or soundbites (often for comic purposes), enhanced with filters, effects and text. Designed with young people in mind, TikTok skyrocketed in popularity in 2019 and has featured near the top of download charts ever since. It now has around a billion users worldwide.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Most videos appearing on a child's feed are light-hearted and amusing. However, some clips have been reported for featuring drug and alcohol abuse, themes of suicide and self-harm, or young teens acting in a sexually suggestive way. The sheer volume of uploads is impossible to moderate entirely – and since TikTok Jump's introduction in mid-2021, users can view third-party content outside the app.

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CENSORED

EXPLICIT SONGS

TikTok primarily revolves around videos of users lip-syncing and dancing to music. Inevitably, some featured songs will contain explicit or suggestive lyrics. Given the app's young user-base, there is a risk that children may view older users' videos and then be inclined to imitate any explicit language or suggestive actions.

W&H*!

TIKTOK FAME

The app has created its own celebrities: Charli D'Amelio and Lil Nas X, for example, were catapulted to fame by exposure on TikTok – leading to many more teens attempting to go viral and become 'TikTok famous'. While most aspiring stars hoping to be 'the next big thing' will find it difficult, setbacks may in turn prompt them to go to even more drastic lengths to get noticed.



HAZARDOUS VISIBILITY

Connecting with others is simple on TikTok – including commenting on and reacting to users' videos, following their profile and downloading their content. The majority of these interactions are harmless, but – because of its abundance of teen users – TikTok has experienced problems with predators contacting young people.

ADDICTIVE NATURE

Like all social media, TikTok is designed to be addictive. It can be hugely entertaining – but that also makes it hard to put down. As well as the punchy nature of the short video format, the app's ability to keep users intrigued about what's coming next mean it's easy for a 5-minute visit to turn into a 45-minute stay.

IN-APP SPENDING

There's an in-app option to purchase 'TikTok coins', which are then converted into digital rewards for sending to content creators that a user likes. Prices range from 99p to an eye-watering £99 bundle. TikTok is also connected with Shopify, which allows users to buy products through the app.

Advice for Parents & Carers

TALK ABOUT ONLINE CONTENT

Assuming your child is above TikTok's age limit, talk to them about what they've viewed on the app. Ask their opinion on what's appropriate and what isn't. Explain why they shouldn't give out personal details or upload videos which reveal information like their school or home address. In the long run, teaching them to think critically about what they see on TikTok could help them to become social-media savvy.

MAINTAIN PRIVACY SETTINGS

The default setting for all under 18s' accounts to 'private'. Keeping it that way is the safest solution: it means only users who your child approves can watch their videos. The 'Stitch' (which lets users splice clips from other people's videos into their own) and 'Duet' (where you build on another user's content by recording your own video alongside their original) features are now only available to over 18s. This might clash with your child's ambitions of social media stardom, but it will fortify their account against predators.

LEARN ABOUT REPORTING AND BLOCKING

With the correct privacy settings applied, TikTok is a relatively safe space. However, in case something does slip through, make sure your child knows how to recognise and report inappropriate content and get them to come to you about anything upsetting that they've seen. TikTok allows users to report anyone breaching its guidelines, while you can also block individual users through their profile.

ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING

'Family Pairing' lets parents and carers link their own TikTok account to their child's. Through your mobile, you can control your child's safety settings remotely – including limiting screen time, managing their ability to exchange messages (and with whom) and blocking a lot of age-inappropriate content. TikTok's Safety Centre also provides resources for parents and carers to support online safety among families. These resources can be found on their website.

USE RESTRICTED MODE

In the app's 'Digital Wellbeing' section, you can filter out inappropriate content (specific content creators or hashtags, for instance) using 'Restricted Mode'. This can then be locked with a PIN. You should note, though, that the algorithm moderating content isn't totally dependable – so it's wise to stay aware of what your child is watching.

MODERATE SCREEN TIME

As entertaining as TikTok is, you can help your child to manage their time on it in the 'Digital Wellbeing' section. Under 'Screen Time Management', you can limit the daily permitted time on the app (in increments ranging from 40 minutes to two hours). This preference can also be locked behind a PIN. That way, your child can get their regular dose of TikTok without wasting the whole day.

Meet Our Expert

Parven 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.



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BARTON TENNIS CLUB



Barton Tennis Club have a brilliant new opportunity for girls aged 4-16!

If you are new to the sport, or looking to get back into it, the LTA has partnered with Amazon Prime Video to bring an exciting programme.

For £35, your girls will be able to access 6 girls-only coaching sessions, and receive a racket, t shirt and wristbands as part of the deal!

These sessions will run from Saturday 22nd April. Details below:

09:00-10:00 Ages 4-7 years

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/BartonLawnTennisClub/BookCourse/ba54e32e-78cb-4c0b-b294-76ca6aa0f962>

10:00-11:00 Ages 8-11 years

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/BartonLawnTennisClub/BookCourse/f3bdb803-770e-4f59-b0f0-652be56d81c4>

11:00-12:00 Ages 12yrs+

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/BartonLawnTennisClub/BookCourse/62bfa7a6-0cae-49ff-b3aa-bbcbe75fac22>

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