

# NEWSLETTER



# The Forest Family

## Awards

8th March 2024

### ALL SAINTS

Class 1: **All of Class 1** Class 2: **Evelyn** Class 3: **Charlie S, David S** Class 4: **Reggie**

Badges: ★ **Francesca (Bronze Star)** ★ **(Gold Star)**

Headteacher awards: **Beau, Maliha, Sophie, Sam A, Mila, Samuel R**

Writer of the Week: **Penny (C2) and Mila (C4)**

### NEEDWOOD

Class 1: **William D** Class 2: **Morgan** Class 3: **William C**

Badges: ★ **(Bronze Star)** 🏆 **(Bronze Cup)**

Headteacher awards: **Ronnie**

Writer of the Week: **Romilly**

Dear Parents,

Thank you for joining us for our Mother's Day lunches and services this week. It has been lovely to see so many Mums joining us in school and at Church.

As this is such a short half term we are having to fit a lot of activities into a short space of time. Please don't feel pressured to come in if you can't make it - we know everyone has a lot of commitments. Just try to join us when you can!

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,

**Mr Baxter**

**Please Note there will be NO celebration worship on the last day of term.  
(Awards will be given at the Easter services.)**

## ATTENDANCE

### ALL SAINTS

CLASS 1 - 94%

CLASS 2 - 95%

CLASS 3 - 93%

CLASS 4 - 96%

### NEEDWOOD

CLASS 1 - 97%

CLASS 2 - 96%

CLASS 3 - 96%

WELL DONE CHILDREN!

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## DIARY

### DIARY - ALL SAINTS

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| 11.3.24 | YEAR 5 - SCIENCE QUIZ JTHS<br>1.15 - 3.15 PM                 |
| 15.3.24 | COMIC RELIEF   |
| 20.3.24 | EASTER SERVICE 2 - 3 PM IN CHURCH                            |
| 20.3.24 | PTA EASTER EGG HUNT AND ACTIVITIES                           |
| 22.3.24 | NO WORSHIP (AWARDS TO BE GIVEN<br>OUT AT THE EASTER SERVICE) |
| 22.3.24 | LAST DAY OF TERM   |
| 22.5.24 | LICHFIELD DIOCESE INSPIRE DAY -<br>CLASS 3 TRIP              |
| 3.6.24  | LEAVERS PHOTOS   |
| 13.6.23 | PTA TEDDY BEARS PICNIC LUNCHTIME                             |
| 3.7.24  | SPORTS DAY AM  |
| 17.7.24 | PTA PARTY IN THE PLAYGROUND<br>3.15—5.30 £5.00               |
| 18.7.24 | LEAVERS AND FINAL CELEBRATION<br>1.30 PM                     |

### DIARY - NEEDWOOD

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| 11.3.24 | YEAR 5 - SCIENCE QUIZ JTHS<br>1.15 - 3.15 PM                 |
| 15.3.24 | COMIC RELIEF   |
| 23.2.24 | NON UNIFORM DAY - CHOCOLATE<br>DONATIONS FOR CHOCOLATE BINGO |
| 19.3.24 | EASTER SERVICE 2.30 PM<br>AND FON RAFFLE                     |
| 19.3.24 | CHOCOLATE BINGO FOR FAMILIES<br>3.30-5.00 PM (FON)           |
| 22.3.24 | NO WORSHIP (AWARDS TO BE GIVEN<br>OUT AT THE EASTER SERVICE) |
| 22.3.24 | LAST DAY OF TERM   |
| 22.5.24 | LICHFIELD DIOCESE INSPIRE DAY -<br>CLASS 2 TRIP              |
| 4.7.24  | SPORTS DAY AM  |
| 17.7.24 | LEAVERS AND FINAL CELEBRATION<br>1.30 PM                     |

Events and dates are subject to change but we will always try to stick to dates as much as possible.

## PARENT SCIENCE SHARE

As part of our National Science Week celebrations, we are inviting parents into school next week to explore and engage in science activities with their children. Please see below for the times of each class:

### Needwood

Class 1 Thursday 14th March 2.30-3.30pm

Class 2 Friday 15th March 2.30-3.30pm

Class 3 Tuesday 12th March 2.30-3.30pm

\*Parents with children in multiple classes only need to attend one of the sessions above and all your children can join you at this time

### Rangemore

Class 1: Monday 11th March 2-3pm

Class 2 Tuesday 12th March 2-3pm

Class 3 Wednesday 13th March 2-3pm

Class 4 Thursday 14th March 2-3pm

## COMIC RELIEF - RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 15th March it will be Comic Relief - Red Nose Day.

This year, we are asking children to 'Dress up Funny for Money' which is the theme of this year's event, for a recommended donation of £1. The link to support this fundraiser can be found below for the Forest Family.

Many thanks as always for your support.

[Donna Preston is fundraising for Comic Relief \(justgiving.com\)](https://justgiving.com/DonnaPreston)







Children had great fun today at Forest School. Firstly, we walked around looking at the many trees that had been cut and made safe due to the recent high winds. Although sad to see, it did open up the space a lot and once the branches have been taken away the children will enjoy lots of areas to play and explore.

It was den building today and they chose boys and girl teams. The resulting dens were, as usual, so different. It was wonderful to see them all work as teams and listen and work with each other.

Next week is a favourite - camp fire. So fingers crossed it isn't too wet and the flint and steel is able to work.

Mrs Spencer  
Forest School Leader





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](http://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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### 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.

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### 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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## BURTON DANCE CAMPS

2ND APRIL 2024

9:00AM - 3:00PM

AGED 5 - 14

BURTON ALBION COMMUNITY  
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## EASTER SPORTS CAMP



## Football Holiday CAMPS

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MONDAY - THURSDAY  
25TH MARCH - 4TH APRIL  
\*EXCLUDES BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY\*

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9:00AM - 3:00PM

AGE 4 - 12 YEARS



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# EASTER



# SPORTS CAMP

25TH - 28TH MARCH - NEEDWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
2ND - 5TH APRIL - NEEDWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

EGG HUNTS • ZORB GAMES • SPORTS • CRAFTS

8:45 - 15:00

£56 FOR 4 DAYS / £16 PER DAY

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