



Dear Families

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Apologies for being absent the last two days, a sickness bug has hit the Fletcher household this week so I am writing this at home and Mrs Bloys and Mrs Turner are stepping up today covering many of my duties. Thank you to them both.

I have been sent lots of photos each day from PGL2023 and it has been a joy looking at them. We have uploaded some to our Facebook page and when the staff get home we will select some for the newsletter next week. It looks like they have had a fabulous time with non-stop activities from 8am through to the early evenings. The food has looked amazing and Mrs Walls and Mrs Staniland have reported that they have all behaved impeccably - which I know means they have all gone to bed at the right time! We look forward to seeing them at 3:15pm today, I am sure parents have missed them.

We have re-opened our parent questionnaire for a further two weeks. We are very grateful for the 26% of parents who have already responded but we would really like to try and gain a full representation. We appreciate the last few weeks of term are very busy so hopefully extending it into the holidays may help. Parent voice is an important part of our end of year self-evaluation.

Wednesday 19th July – 5pm is a chance for parents to attend school and listen to the evaluation of this year. We have made so much progress with the “Back on Track Model” and we would like to share this with you. We are aware of our next steps – as the school improvement plan is for 3 years but we would like to inform you of how this will look in the next academic year. There are achievements we need to sustain and build on, and areas we have to yet to develop. We will present for 30 minutes and leave 30 minutes for questions.

Buildings Update – This week we had a buildings planning meeting where we found out exactly what will be happening over the summer holidays. Renovations to 6 KS2 classrooms will take place, including – Sherbourne, Cherwell, Frome, Severn, Pupil Groupwork room and Pastoral room. Two governors attended the planning meeting with me and Mrs Nash (School Business Manager) I have to say I am a little nervous about this all being completed but they have assured us they will finish on time. Because we have only found out this week we will order new furniture but this will have to be installed during September. I have asked for a letter to parents from GCC.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Gayle Fletcher

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School News

Reading in the Summer Holidays

This week we had an assembly about the Gloucestershire Library's Free Summer Library Challenge.



Running from 15 July to 16 September 2023, the Library Challenge aims to encourage children aged three to 12 years old to discover what their library service has to offer.

Children can complete a range of tasks, including reading any books they choose, taking part in events, getting into nature and winning prizes.

The theme for this year's Summer Library Challenge is music and there will be plenty of tuneful fun and excitement to be had, with a whole host of events happening across the county, including interactive theatre performances from the Everyman, instrument crafts and musical workshops highlighting a range of different musical genres.

Joining The Library Challenge is free and all 40 libraries across the county will be taking part. To sign up for The Library Challenge, visit your local library from Saturday July 15 or at any point during the summer and speak to a friendly member of the team.

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Looking for more reading ideas or fun reading activities?

For more reading ideas for the summer, the BookTrust website (booktrust.org.uk) has a section on it called 'HomeTime' (under the tag 'Books and Reading'). This has authors reading stories, poets talking about poetry and illustrators doing drawing sessions.

Also under the Books and Reading tab on the BookTrust website is a book recommendations button with lots of great recommendations for what to read next, depending on how old you are and what sort of books you like. It's a great way to find new authors and new series to enjoy.

Today on HomeTime



<http://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/childrens-laureate/poetry-prompts/>

Uniform

White Polo Shirt
White Shirt/Blouse
Navy Blue Jumper/Cardigan/Sweatshirt

Grey Shorts
Grey Trousers
Grey Skirt
Grey Pinafore Dress
Blue Gingham Dress/Playsuit

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Grey socks
White socks
Black, plain trainers (no bright logos or insignia)
Black shoes

PE
Navy blue Joggers/leggings
Navy blue shorts/cycling shorts
House T-Shirts (plain colour)
Navy Blue Sweatshirt
Black Trainers/Daps
Swimming costume (one piece) Swimming trunks/shorts (No baggy shorts) ideally Navy/Black

All of this can be both school logo or shop bought

Class News

In design and technology this week, Year 1 have designed and followed a set of instructions for "how to make a weathervane." We found out a weather / wind vane shows you the way the wind is blowing and they come in lots of different shapes and sizes. We collected the things we needed to make our own vane and set about making them. We are pleased with the results!



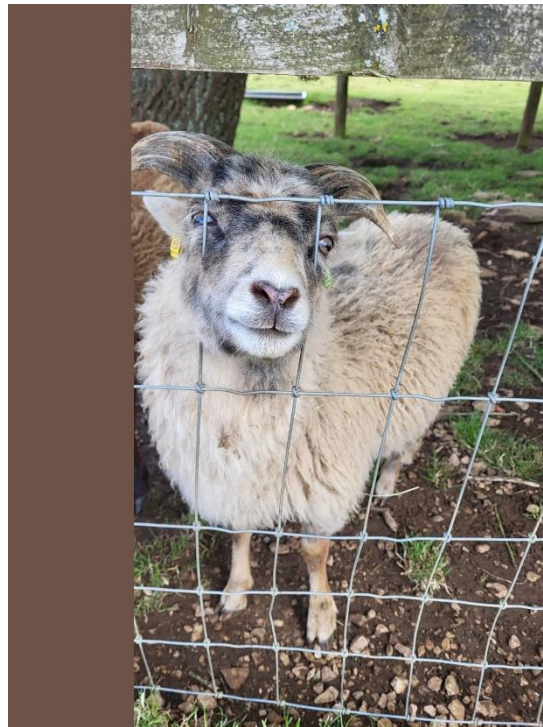
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Red and Green Class had a brilliant time at the Cotswold Farm Park on Wednesday. The excitement began when we were taken there on a double decker coach and were were blessed with great weather considering the rainy forecast. Luckily, the rain came when we were inside having a talk about animals and eating our lunch. We got to feed goats and sheep, stroke animals in the touch barn, see some guinea pigs that were only a couple of days old and play on the park to name just a few things. The children made us so proud with their excellent behaviour and amazing answers during the talk by one of the members of staff. A really fun and successful day!



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This week in Yellow Class we have been exploring, designing and making our own wind vanes in our Design and Technology lessons. We had a look at the different creative designs of wind vanes and were then inspired to design our own. We are looking forward to bringing them home to try them out!



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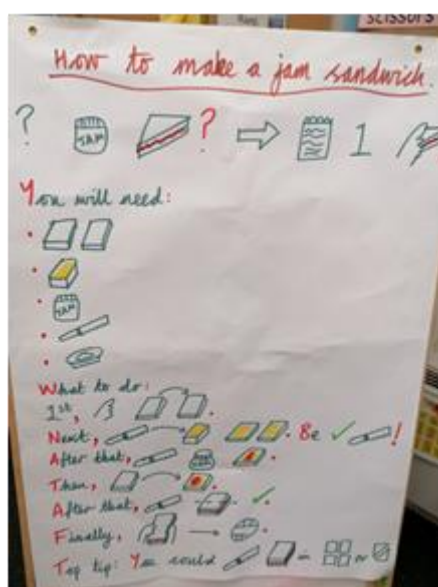
This term, year 5 have been designing and creating rockets as well as looking at reactions capable of sending the rockets into the atmosphere. Today was the perfect weather conditions for launch, and launch they did! We are now going to edit our design to see if we can improve.



In Blue Class, we are beginning our final Talk 4 Writing unit of work on instructional writing.

What better way to start than by learning our text orally, then following the text to make jam sandwiches? It was a huge hit with the children and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Next week, we will be linking our writing to our DT project and will be using our instruction writing toolkit to write clear instructions for how to build a bug hotel.



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Safeguarding

Online safety tips for parents & carers to **KEEP CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE OVER SUMMER**

School's out... for summer! Yes, it's that time of the year again: around six weeks at home for ecstatic youngsters. For many young people, a bumper start off school means a welcome chance to spend even more time with their games consoles, phone, tablet or smart TV. So whether your children are likely to be scrolling on Snapchat, hanging in front of Netflix or trying foes on Fortnite, we've put together some top tips to help you keep them safe online this holiday.

THERE'S NO NETWORK LIKE HOME

Teenagers, especially, tend to be delighted to find that a coffee shop, restaurant or shopping centre offers free WiFi. These public networks are much less secure than home WiFi, though, so discourage your child from making online purchases or entering personal details when out and about.

LIGHTS OUT, SCREENS OFF

This is a golden rule: try to limit how much screen time your child has towards end of the day. Staring at the screen of a phone or tablet for too long before bed severely impacts a child's quality of sleep—which can play havoc with their concentration, mood and energy levels the next day.

FOCUS ON FACTS

The internet is phenomenal at spreading gossip. When children of certain ages don't have daily contact at school, the digital rumour mill can go into overdrive. Remind your child not to believe everything they're told online – especially if the person involved isn't around to provide their side of the story.

KEEP TALKING

It sounds blindingly obvious, but having regular chats with your child about who they're talking to online, what games and apps they're using and what shows they're streaming is a huge benefit. It doesn't have to be every day or even every week, but it can signal potential issues well in advance.

PRIVATE INFO STAYS PRIVATE

It's worth checking your child's social media or gaming profiles occasionally to make sure they aren't inadvertently giving away too much information. Details such as their full name, address or where they go to school could all be used to track them down by individuals with sinister intentions.

LIMIT SOCIAL AUDIENCES

When they're old enough, young people love to broadcast their summer holiday highlights all over social media. The unfortunate truth, however, is that we don't always know who might be viewing this content. Check the settings to ensure that only friends and family can see your child's posts.

DEMONSTRATE GOOD HABITS

Children often learn their digital behaviour from watching the grown-ups around them. So make sure your child observes you being positive and constructive on social media, for example – and, especially, how that you know when it's time to switch the screen off, even though you're having fun.

WATCH FOR EXCESSIVE GAMING

With no school, children often have every opportunity to sit in front and more go on their favourite games – sometimes at the cost of their daily routine, or having family time. A little extra gaming is to be expected in the holidays, but it could become problematic if it evolves into a recurring habit.

IT'S 'THE GREAT OUTDOORS' FOR A REASON

For most northern hemisphere residents, this time of year is a rare opportunity to enjoy the outside world in pleasant weather. Remind your child how amazing it is to feel the sun on their back and fresh air in their lungs. Disney's new *Minecraft* will still be there on daily Sundays in October.



National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

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Diary Date

Tuesday 18 th July	Y5 Forest School
Wednesday 19 th July	5pm – Parents Event – Evaluation of the Year
Friday 21 st July	Year 6 Leavers' performance
Friday 21 st July	Last day of academic year
Monday 24 th July	School closed (INSET)
Tuesday 25 th July	School closed (INSET)

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Monday 4 th & Tuesday 5 th September	INSET Days (school closed to pupils)
Wednesday 6 th September	Start of academic year for Y1-Y6
Wednesday 6 th September	YR home visits
Thursday 7 th September	YR home visits
Friday 8 th September	YR home visits
Monday 11 th September	First day for YR Group A (9:00am)
Wednesday 13 th September	First day for YR Group B (12:50pm)

Term dates and events in the diary can be found here: [Naunton Park Primary School - Calendar](#)

Class	Ready Respect Safe	Effort Persistence Commitment
Y1	India Gore May Berber-Wood	Thomas Avery Freddy Te Huna
Y2	Connor Ratinckx Harri Van Leeuwen	Lily Gabriel Alfie Williams
Y3	Harrison Jones Jackson Young	Aurush Adarsh Martha Podmore
Y4	Natasza Naulls Zander Zosikowski	Zeke Jabbar Ethan Theyer
Y5	EliseKells Daniel Chambers	Isabella Goddard Opie Smith

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