



Newsletter

Friday 26th April 2024

Dates for your diary

Monday 29th April	Year 5 Murder Mystery day
Tuesday 30th April	Year 1 Beamish Trip
Wednesday 1st May	Year 2 Bolton Castle Trip
Thursday 2nd May	Year 6 London Parents' Meeting 3pm
Thursday 2nd May	Year 5/6 Navy Visit
Friday 3rd May	FS1/FS2 Open Morning 9am

Attendance

1st Place — FS2 - 98.18%

2nd Place - FS1 - 95.5%

3rd Place - Class 2 - 95%

Please continue to promote good attendance.

We are trying to ensure all children are in and ready to learn before we close the gates at 9:00am.

Whole School Attendance 90.59%

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Loud and Proud Corner



Aquatic Finatics

As EYFS are learning about 'Animal Safari', they had an amazing visit from Aquatic Finatics who provided our children with a memorable and hands on experience with so many different animals such as snakes, a chinchilla, a ferret, a bearded dragon and much more.

The children were very brave and had lots of fun!



Year 3/4 Mini Tennis

Year 3 and 4 travelled to Hipswell Primary School to play Mini Tennis. The children really enjoyed playing against other schools and as a result Team A came 3rd with 100 points and Team B came 2nd with 68 points.

Well done to everyone who participated!

#TeamColburn



Year 6 London

As the end of the year draws nearer, we would like to remind parents that the final date for payment of the London 2024 trip is due by:

Friday 28th June

There is a Parents meeting on Thursday 2nd May at 3pm in the school hall.



HEAD LICE

Please could we ask all Parents/Carers to check their children's hair thoroughly and treat as necessary.

Further advice can be found on <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



Forest School

Year 2: Tuesday 30th April

FS: Wednesday 1st May

Year 1: Thursday 2nd May

Please make sure children wear appropriate clothing.



This Weeks House Points



Purple
Amethysts
Points

374

Red
Rubies
Points

478

Green
Emeralds
Points

317

Blue
Sapphires
Points

397

Yellow
Diamonds
Points

389



Merit Points

300 merits: Skye-Mary C

400 merits: Ollie Tw

800 merits: Kai L, Ezra S

900 merits: Madison C, Charley J

1000 merits: Alfie Mc, Katie A,
Alfie T

1100 merits: Teddy D, Carter C

1200 merits: Julius R

'I begin my tasks promptly'

Y6. Brandon H

Y5. Brooke E

Y4. Alfie H

Y3. Riley Mc

Y2. Raevyn R

Y1. Lacey-Rose J

FS2. Harmony T

Safeguarding spotlight on: WhatsApp

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHATSAPP

AGE RESTRICTION
16+

In UK and Europe:
rest of the world 13+

With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging. WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing its service in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency'. Plus a scam where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then (posing as WhatsApp) call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a chat, someone only needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user that they want to message. If your child has ever given their number out to someone they don't know, that person could then contact them via WhatsApp. It's also possible that your child might be added to a group chat (by one of their friends, for example) containing other people that they don't know.

FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a 'Forwarded many times' label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original – and might not be entirely factual, either.

ONLINE

'VIEW ONCE' CONTENT

The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts, knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased privacy.

CHAT LOCK

Another new option allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. The risk here is that this function creates the potential for young people to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of (such as age-inappropriate material).

VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safely on the way home, for example. However, anyone in your child's contacts list or in a mutual group chat can also track their location – potentially letting strangers identify a child's home address or journeys that they make regularly.

Advice for Parents & Carers

...TYPING...

EMPHASISE CAUTION

Encourage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: get them to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's wise to change your child's WhatsApp settings (go to 'Privacy', then 'Groups') to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval: you can give permission to 'My Contacts' or 'My Contacts Except...'. Additionally, if your child needs to use 'live location', emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

THINKING BEFORE SHARING

Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.

CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

Some parents like to check in with their child about how they're using WhatsApp, explaining that it will help to keep them safe. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of chats that are in there, who they're with and why your child wants to keep them hidden. Also, if your child has sent any 'view once' content, you could discuss their reasons for using this feature.

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Date from: Saturday 4th May

Time: 10:30-11:30

Location: Catterick Garrison Leisure Centre
DL9 3EL (opposite Tesco)

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For more information and to register please email:

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Telephone; Jen - 07957309412 Alan - 07864017043



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**Autism
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For parents and carers



Autism Central and Home-Start Drop-In

Do you have an autistic child (with or without diagnosis) and need support?

Autism Central and Home-Start coffee mornings are an opportunity for families and carers of autistic people to connect with each other and get advice and support from Autism Central and Home-Start staff.

This group is suitable for you if you have a family member who is diagnosed/going through the diagnostic process/has been identified as having a need relating to autism, ADHD, sensory processing difficulties, anxiety and social communication differences.

Autism Central offers high-quality and easily accessible support, education and training alongside a dedicated website.

Tuesday 16th April 10am-12pm

Tuesday 14th May 10am-12pm

Tuesday 18th June 10am-12pm

Tuesday 9th July 10am-12pm

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