



Chapel Chat

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you this week at our Parents' Evenings thank you for taking the time to come and meet with the teachers. The partnership between home and school is really important and the children are always proud to know the adults at home have seen all of their hard work and taken time to discuss their progress.

Please take some time this weekend to monitor and talk to your children about the 'apps' they are accessing and the messaging platforms they are using on their devices. We have several incidents where unkind and inappropriate words have been used between pupils in our school on various platforms outside of school. New 'apps' and platforms are brought out all of the time so it is really important to keep a close eye on what your children are seeing and who they are interacting with online. Thank you for your support with this.



October is Black History Month.

On Thursday in assembly we read and discussed the story 'Coming to England' written by Floella Benjamin which raises important issues. The children's thoughtful approach to these issues was amazing!

Graham Almond

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 20th October 2021

Key Stage 2 Boys' Football Tournament*

Thursday 21st October 2021

Family Learning Workshop 1.15pm (R & Y1 Parents)
1.15pm

Friday 22nd October 2021

End of Term 1

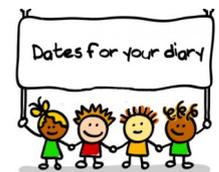
Monday 8th November 2021

Start of Term 2

Friday 19th November 2021

Flu Immunisation in school

*letter sent out to those attending



Student Update Forms

We will send home update forms for those parents and carers who were not able to check these details when joining us for Parents Evening this week. Please check the details on both sides, make any changes and sign the bottom of the second page. Thank you.

Year 2 Beach Schools

On Thursday it was Year 2's turn to go to the beach for a Beach Schools session.





Chapel Champions: 15th October

Achievement Award

Values Award: Communication



Reception	Harvey: practising his phonics at home and bringing in his work to share	Finley: working hard to communicate his feelings with his words
Year 1	Daniel: hard work with his Maths and English.	Zachary: his determination to blend words in Phonics.
Year 2	Teddy: persevering in maths and challenging himself in our addition work.	Bryony: her great explanations in our maths lessons.
Year 3	Mia K: for clear prediction work in VIPERS.	Zac: communicating some lovely similes in English.
Year 4	Isaac: fantastic handwriting and vocabulary in his Viking invasion writing in English.	Akira: great speaking and listening skills.
Year 5	Kody: working hard in maths.	Summer: clearly communicating her understanding of her task in gymnastics.
Year 6	Grace: wonderful and imaginative sentences during 'Word of the Day' in English.	Phoebe: constantly replacing words with tier-2 vocabulary during her newspaper report process.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Share with us photos or videos of your child reading to their 'Reading Buddy' at home!

https://padlet.com/Mrs_Overton/5mhidixuya1behtz



Healthy Lifestyle Top Tip

Each week our School Council will provide you with a 'Healthy Lifestyle Top Tip'

This week:

Go for an Autumn walk and crunch some leaves under your feet. Can you catch a falling leaf?

Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6

Reading outdoors! Share with us photos of the children enjoying the great outdoors whilst reading their book!

<https://padlet.com/tomshaw1/reading1>



Your child's annual flu vaccination

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

Please click on the following link to complete the online consent form for your child(ren): [Immunisation Consent \(lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk\)](https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/Immunisation/Consent) Please complete at your earliest convenience as the online system for your school will be closed prior to our visit to allow for essential administration to take place.

You will need to enter the following code to ensure the completed form can be correctly allocated to your child's school: EE145489

Family Learning

Come along on Thursday to find out more about our Family Learning sessions. Just pop along to the School Office at 1.15pm. For more information catch Mrs Overton at school.



With over 14 million daily users, Discord is one of the most popular communication tools for gamers. It allows you to create or join what are known as 'servers', where different users can talk in groups via text message or voice call. There is also the option to send direct messages and make video calls.



What parents need to know about DISCORD



<p>INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT</p> <p>Your child can access almost any chat server on Discord. This means they can easily be exposed to content and conversations that are inappropriate, upsetting or potentially harmful.</p> 	<p>SEXUAL IMAGERY</p> <p>Despite there being guidelines in place to prevent it, users are able to circulate adult content. This can include sexualised images, pornographic videos and provocative discussions. It's important to stay alert and know the risks that your child could be exposed to.</p> 	<p>RISK OF CYBERBULLYING</p> <p>Interactions on the platform are largely unregulated. This means other users can easily say and show things to your child that might be offensive and upsetting. The competitive nature of gaming can lead users to make abusive and harmful remarks about your child.</p> 	<p>HIDDEN CHARGES</p> <p>Though the basic platform is free, your child will be encouraged to sign up to premium subscriptions, which give extra perks, such as animated emojis and free games. The two options are known as 'Nitro Classic' (which costs \$4.99 a month) and Nitro (which costs \$9.99 a month). Prices are only converted to pound sterling during the payment process.</p> 	<p>RISK OF CYBERCRIME</p> <p>Cybercriminal groups have been linked to the platform due to reports of hackers sharing stolen data. It's also possible that your child may be encouraged to share the data of their friends, either through peer pressure, or 'for fun', without realising the consequences.</p> 	<p>STRANGER DANGER</p> <p>To create an account, you only need to display a username and profile image. This makes it easy for someone to hide his or her real identity. Predators from anywhere in the world can join a chat server, message your child and quickly leave to avoid detection. Forbes reports groomers have been targeting children susceptible to online coercion on the platform.</p> 
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Top Tips to Protect Your Child



<p>1 BE WARY OF WHAT'S SHARED</p> <p>Whatever your child says or shares on the platform can be seen, heard and shared with a much larger audience. Be careful to make sure your child understands this and does not say or share anything that could be deemed offensive, harmful or put themselves or others at risk.</p> <p>You can find Discord's own guide for parents here: https://blog.discordapp.com/parents-guide-to-discord-c7d91793e9c</p> 	<p>2 IMPROVE SECURITY SETTINGS</p> <p>To help protect your child, make sure they set strong passwords. You should consider using the 'two-factor authentication' function for extra protection. It's also important to remind your child to never to share their personal information, or the details of another user.</p> 	<p>3 CHECK THEIR FRIEND LIST</p> <p>You can restrict who is able to make 'friend requests' to your child in the 'Friends' tab. It's a good idea to deselect the default option that allows anyone to connect. Of course, you should also talk to your child about why it's a risk to allow strangers to connect with them through such platforms.</p> 	<p>4 REPORT & BLOCK SUSPICIOUS USERS</p> <p>Make sure your child knows how to report and block abusive or suspicious users. If you do find your child suffering repeated abuse, contact the platform directly using the email: abuse@discordapp.com. It's a good idea to teach your child how to screenshot any negative interactions too.</p> 	<p>5 BE WARY OF NSFW CONTENT</p> <p>Public forums on the platform are a potential venue for inappropriate content that you should be wary of. There is a Discord mascot known as 'Wumpus', which is supposed to represent anyone under 18. Anyone who posts content unsuitable for under-18s, should mark it NSFW (Not Suitable For Wumpus).</p> 	<p>6 SHOW RESPECT TO OTHERS</p> <p>It's important you actively teach your child to treat other users with respect and behave online the same way as they would offline.</p> <p>Take the time to read through Discord's Community Guidelines with your child. Find them at: www.discordapp.com/guidelines</p> 
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7 TURN ON SAFE MESSAGING

You should encourage your child to activate the 'Safe Direct Messaging' option. This will scan and delete any direct messages sent to your child containing explicit content.




Meet our expert

Claire Woffenden has been a technology journalist since 1998 with a specialism in consumer technology (apps, websites, home computing and digital devices). As a Mum of two young children - aged 8 and 6 - Claire is passionate about helping to keep children safe online.

SOURCES: <https://support.discordapp.com/hidden-up>, <https://www.gimemodo.com.au/2017/03/discord-has-a-child-porn-problem/>, <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-4559008/Half-youngsters-experience-bullying-online-games.html>, <https://www.pcgamesinsider.biz/news/67593/discord-drops-partnership-status-from-servers-hosting-porn/>, <https://www.forbes.com/sites/thamashbrewster/2019/01/29/discord-the-2-billion-gamer-paradise-coming-to-terms-with-data-thieves-child-groomers-and-fbi-investigators/#4ba3ddf3741>



Family Learning

Welcome to Family Learning!

This is a **free** Family Learning workshop available to all mums, dads, grandparents and carers!

Join us for a fun-filled couple of hours to find out what Family Learning is all about.

Meet with other adults to discover activities to do with your child.

Work with your child on activities they enjoy in school.



Find out more about Family Learning by chatting to school staff or on our 2aspire website- [Family Learning courses](#)

Course Details

Date: Thursday 21st October 2021

Time: 1.15pm-3.10pm

Who: Reception and Year One children and parents/carers

Venue: Chapel St Leonards Primary School

For more information contact Mrs Overton or just turn up on the day!

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