



News and Events

Friday 27th January

Dear Parents/Carers,



Today in our Celebration Collective Worship we celebrated Lilly-Mae (Voyagers) for the value of wisdom, Lois (Discoverers) for the value of Wisdom, Sebastian (Explorers) for the value of wisdom and Oliver (Shooting Stars) for the value of wisdom.

Congratulations to them all.

From the 6th to 12th February it is Children's Mental Health week. In school we will have a week focused on health and wellbeing, looking at different ways we can support each other and care for ourselves. We are going to kick the week off with a non-school uniform day, the theme being; wear clothes which make you feel comfortable and happy. However, please make sure outfits are suitable for playing outside with the Playpod. Please talk to your children about their week in school, asking them to share their experiences and learning with you.

Reminder

The library is open after school on Tuesday and Friday.



Important dates for your diary

6th—Feb wear clothes which make you feel comfortable and happy.

7 Feb—star gazing at school

8 Feb—Voyagers performing at The Forum, Bath 6pm

10 Feb—FOWAS non school uniform day £1.

13-17 Feb—half term break

21/22 Feb—parent consultation meetings 3:30pm-6pm and 3:30pm-5pm

24 Mar—Easter family bingo

Attendance

Highest attendance:

Discoverers 100%

Lost learning: 82.5 hours



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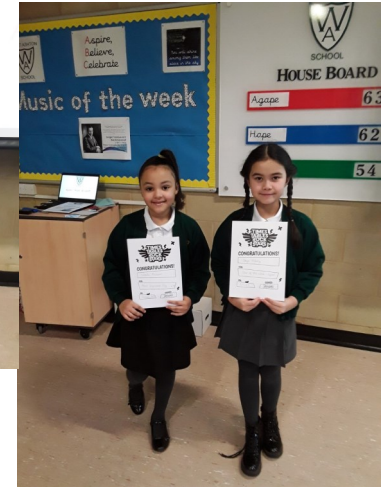
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Congratulations to Sabelle who is now a Rock Legend, Evalynn who is a Wannabe, George and Lexie who are now Support Acts and Alexandra who is a Breakthrough Artist. In addition, Sabelle received Most Improved Gig, with an impressive improvement of +79 and Skye who received Start of the Week for effort.

Look out for our next tournament; NSPCC Rocks. See the poster below for more information.



News from the classes:

Shooting Stars: In Shooting Stars we have been learning about planets, did you know Saturn has rings made of dust and icy chunks and that the sun is a star? In maths we have been learning about weight, we put things into two buckets to see how heavy they are. One bucket was lighter and the other one was heavier. Grace, Marcey and Rhiannon

Explorers: This week we have been doing science and have learnt about the seasons. We have started a science investigation about the weather, the temperature on Monday was -1 degrees Celsius outside. In maths, Year 2 were doing shape and Year 1 have been looking at numbers up to 20. In DT we were making a chair for Baby Bear with straws and pipe cleaners, we haven't tested our chairs yet but think some will be able to hold baby bear. In music we played ukuleles, we played a song. Luca, Ethan and Sebastian

Discoverers: In history we have been talking about the Roman roads and the impact they had on life for Roman Britain. In maths we have all been learning about Length and Perimeter and in RE we have been learning about Guru Nanak (the founder of Sikhism and the first of the ten Sikh Gurus). Lawson and Brie

Voyagers: This week we have finished some assessments and continued our normal work. In English we wrote a diary/journal from the point of view of a character from the book, The Explorer. In maths yr6 were learning about expressions using algebra and yr5 were learning about multiplying non-unit fractions by integer. In humanities we have been learning about how World War 2 changed the West Midlands. In science we have been learning about the different phases of the moon and in music we have continued practicing the ukulele.

Best wishes,

Sandra Meehan



**West Ashton School
star gazing evening
7th February 5:30pm**

**Please join us for an evening
looking at the night sky.**

**Voyagers and Shooting Stars are
learning about space this term and will
entertain us with a space themed song.**

**FOWAS will be providing hot
chocolate.**

Let's hope it isn't cloudy!



FRIDAY 3 FEBRUARY

7:30AM GMT TO 7:30PM GMT

**Winning class will have the highest
number of correct answers per pupil.**



**PLAY IN
ANY
GAME TYPE**

**1-HOUR
TIME LIMIT
PER PERSON**



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12 Top Tips for BUILDING CYBER RESILIENCE AT HOME

As a society, we're increasingly using technology and tech services in the home. Digital assistants which can adjust the heating or turn lights on and off; streaming services for shows and movies on demand; games consoles; smart speakers; phones; laptops ... the list goes on. As we introduce each new gizmo to our homes, however, we increase the level of threat from cyber criminals. It's essential, therefore, that we learn to become more cyber resilient in relation to the devices and digital services that the people in our household use.

WHAT IS 'CYBER RESILIENCE'?

Cyber resilience focuses on three key areas: reducing the likelihood of a cyber attack gaining access to our accounts, devices or data; reducing the potential impact of a cyber incident; and making the recovery from a cyber attack easier, should we ever fall victim to one.

1. PASSWORDS: LONGER AND LESS PREDICTABLE

The longer, less common and predictable a password is, the more difficult it becomes for cyber criminals to crack. The National Cyber Security Centre's 'three random words' guidelines are ideal for creating a long password which is easy to remember but hard to guess.

2. AVOID RE-USING PASSWORDS

When you use the same password across different logins, your cyber resilience is only as strong as the security of the weakest site or service you've signed up for. If cyber criminals gain access your username and password for one site or service, they'll definitely try them on others.

3. USE A PASSWORD MANAGER

A good way to juggle different passwords for every site or service you use is to have a password manager. This software stores all your passwords for you, so you simply need to remember the master password. LastPass, Dashlane, Password and Keeper are all excellent password managers.

4. BACK UP YOUR DATA

Keep a copy of your data using OneDrive, Google Drive or another reputable cloud-based storage solution. If it's extremely important or sensitive information, you could even decide to keep more than one back-up version – by saving it to a removable USB drive or similar device, for example.

5. ENABLE MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION (MFA)

Multi-factor authentication is where you need access to your phone (to receive a code, for example) or another source to confirm your identity. This makes it far more difficult for cyber criminals to gain entry to your accounts and your data, even if they do manage to get your username and password.

6. CHOOSE RECOVERY QUESTIONS WISELY

Some services let you set 'recovery questions' – such as your birthplace or a pet's name – in case you forget your password. Take care not to use information you might have mentioned (or are likely to in future) on social media. More unpredictable answers make cyber criminals' task harder.

7. SET UP SECONDARY ACCOUNTS

Some services provide the facility to add secondary accounts, phone numbers and so on to help with potentially recovering your account. Make sure you set these up: they will be vital if you're having trouble logging in or if you're trying to take back control of your account after a cyber attack.

12. STAY SCEPTICAL

Cyber criminals commonly use various methods, including emails, text messages and social media posts. Be cautious of any messages or posts that are out of the ordinary, offer something too good to be true or emphasise urgency – even if they appear to come from someone you know.

11. KEEP HOME DEVICES UPDATED

Download official software updates for your household's mobile phones, laptops, consoles and other internet-enabled devices regularly. Security improvements and fixes are a key feature of these updates – so by ensuring each device is running the latest version, you're making them more secure.

10. CHANGE DEFAULT IOT PASSWORDS

Devices from the 'Internet of Things' (IoT), such as 'smart' home appliances, are often supplied with default passwords. This makes them quicker to set up, but also less secure – criminals can identify these standard passwords more easily, so change them on your IoT devices as soon as possible.

9. CHECK FOR BREACHES

You can check if your personal information has been involved in any known data breaches by entering your email address at www.haveibeenpwned.com (yes, that spelling is correct). It's useful if you're worried about a possible attack – or simply as motivation to review your account security.

8. KEEP HAVING FUN WITH TECH

Consider our tips in relation to the gadgets and online services your household uses. Protect yourself and your family, and don't let the bad guys win: devices are not only integral to modern life but also a lot of fun – so as long as you keep safety and security in mind, don't stop enjoying your tech.

Meet Our Expert

Garry Henderson is the Director of IT at a large boarding school in the UK, having previously taught in schools and colleges in Britain and the Middle East. With a particular interest in digital citizenship and cyber security, he believes it is essential that adults and children alike become more aware of the risks associated with technology, as well as the many benefits.



Source: www.nisc.gov.uk/collection/top-tips-for-staying-secure-online/three-random-word | <https://haveibeenpwned.com>

National Online Safety Update



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STANDARD DAY 9AM - 3PM £18 EXTENDED DAY 8AM - 4PM £22.60

CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM

13TH - 15TH FEB
JOHN OF GAUNT

9 AM - 3 PM
STANDARD DAY £18
9 AM - 4 PM
EXTENDED DAY
£22.60



5 - 14 YEARS

KIT: TRAINERS,
SHINPADS, PACKED
LUNCH, WATER
BOTTLE

CHILDCARE
VOUCHERS
ACCEPTED



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16TH FEB 2023
JOHN OF GAUNT

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STANDARD DAY £18
9 AM - 4 PM
EXTENDED DAY
£22.60



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