

The Grange School, Daventry

2/2/22 Welcome to this edition of our newsletter.

This week, I've been thinking about advice. As a school, we're given lots of advice from a range of sources. The Local Authority (West Northamptonshire Council School Effectiveness Team) offer advice and support to us as a school.

We receive a lot of advice from the Department for Education and Ofsted. We also have a wide range of professional bodies that offer us advice on a huge range of topics that impact upon what we do in school.

As a school, we give advice too. Last week, you'll remember that our newsletter included some NSPCC advice on an aspect of parenting that often proves difficult - when to give your child a little more independence. This week's advice from the NSPCC is about the benefits of positive parenting.

This is something that we can support you with, including sharing examples of how this has helped some families to bring about improvements in their child's behaviour. If you would like support with this, please contact Janice Hennessy.

Vicki

DREAM

BELIEVE

ACHIEVE

NSPCC

NEED-TO-KNOW GUIDES

Positive Parenting

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR



This leaflet is packed full of advice which can make a huge difference to you and your child.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/leaflet/s/positive-parenting>

We are supporting
Safer Internet Day 2022!



Safer
Internet
Day 2022

Tuesday
8 February

saferinternetday.org.uk

To find out how you can join in at home with your child, please follow the link below

https://the-grange-school.eschools.co.uk/web/online_safety_for_parents/448172

Safer Internet Day 2022

We will be celebrating Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 8th February. **The theme this year is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'**. Through assemblies and lessons, we will explore the children's role in creating a safer internet and the ways they are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of.



National
Online
Safety

As part of our celebrations, we will be launching our latest parent resource to support you to keep your children safe online. Look out on parentmail for more information



The Grange School Academic Year 2021-2022

Term 1	Training Day	Wednesday 1st September
	Term Starts	Thursday 2nd September
	Term Ends	Thursday 21st October
Term 2	Training Day	Friday 22nd October
	Term Starts	Monday 1st November
	Term Ends	Thursday 16th December
Term 3	Training Day	Friday 17th December
	Term Starts	Tuesday 4th January
	Term Starts	Wednesday 5th January
Term 4	Jubilee Holiday	Monday 24th January
	Term Ends	Friday 11th February
	Term Starts	Monday 21st February
Term 5	Term Ends	Thursday 31st March
	Training Day	Friday 1st April
	Term Starts	Tuesday 19th April
Term 6	Bank Holiday	Monday May 2nd
	Term Ends	Friday 27th May
	Term Starts	Monday 6th June
	Term Ends	Friday 22nd July

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Term 6	Term Ends	Friday 26th May
	Term Starts	Monday 5th June
	Term Ends	Friday 21st July

EVERY CHILD A MUSICIAN

Check out next week's newsletter for information on our exciting Music programme.

For Children's mental health week we will be asking children to DRESS to EXPRESS on Friday 11th February. No donation required.



FITNESS FEBRUARY CHALLENGE

Take on Fitness February and sweat for 20 minutes every day throughout the month, either by following our daily workout ideas or by getting active in a way that you choose. Running, dancing, squatting or skipping, your sweat, and your support, will help us to be there for people living with cancer.



some people just sparkle



As a staff group, we're raising money for Macmillan, in memory of our lovely friend, Jo Wilson.

If you'd like to donate, please send a labelled envelope into the school office.

Thank you for your support.

Guidance

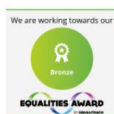
What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges

Updated 20 January 2022

COVID UPDATE

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE COVID INFORMATION](#)

Dream Believe Achieve



SCHOOL DINNERS

As you will be aware, we have a new Chef called Tam, known to the children as Chef Tam, and the kitchen staff preparing delicious meals for the children every day.

The specials have been amazingly fun and delicious, we have had Australia Day, Country Food Festival and Chinese New Year to name just a few.

All have been a great success and enjoyed by all.

Below are some of the comments from the children in Year 4 about the Australia Day...

The meal reminded me of food from home. The bread tastes like the bread from home.

Patrick

The cake was like everyone holding hands & everyone is happy

Lennon

The rice was really good - I could eat it all day

Oisin

It was the best dinner I had ever had.

Harry B

RECEPTION CHILDREN ENJOYING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR DINNER - WITH CHOPSTICKS + FORTUNE COOKIES



What Parents Need to Know About YouTube

YouTube is a video-sharing social media platform that allows billions of people around the world to watch, share and upload their own videos with a vast range of content – including sport, entertainment, education and lots more. It's a superb space for people to consume content that they're interested in. As a result, this astronomically popular platform has had a huge social impact: influencing online culture on a global scale and creating new celebrities.

In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as connecting with strangers, inappropriate content and high visibility.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE

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INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is flagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate material. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as messaging other users directly. Connecting with strangers online, of course, can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, to cyberbullying and even to encountering online predators.

SUGGESTED CONTENT

YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but can also lead to binge-watching and the risk of screen addiction, especially if 'auto-play' is activated. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

HIGH VISIBILITY

Content creators can also be put at risk – especially young ones who try to make their online presence as visible as possible. Creating and uploading content exposes children to potential harassment and toxicity from the comments section, along with the possibility of direct messaging from strangers. Videos posted publicly can be watched by anyone in the world.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends, challenges and memes that are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might want to try them out. Most challenges tend to be safe, but many others may harm children through either watching or copying. The painful 'salt and ice challenge', which can cause injuries very quickly, is just one of many such examples.

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

Popular YouTube channels regularly have scammers posing as a well-known influencer in the comments section, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and sometimes offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users are not who they claim to be.

Advice for Parents & Carers

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate content (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence and sexual situations) to underage viewers. To prevent your child from chancing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that your child uses to access YouTube.



TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows you to monitor what your child is watching, uploading and sharing with other users. It will also display their recently watched videos, searches and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives you an oversight of how your child is using sites like YouTube and helps you ensure they are only accessing appropriate content.



CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos as 'private' or 'unlisted' – so they could be shared exclusively with family and friends, for example. Comments on videos can also be disabled and channels that your child is subscribed to can be hidden. If your child is only uploading videos that are protected as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.



CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS

Influential content creators usually have other social media accounts which they encourage their fans to follow. Having an open discussion about this with your child makes it easier to find out how else they might be following a particular creator online. It also opens up avenues for you to check out that creator's other channels to see what type of content your child is being exposed to.



MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them children. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course, and react to content differently. You may want to keep an eye on how your child interacts with content on YouTube – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand the types of videos they are interested in.



LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases: users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch, for example. If you're not comfortable with your child purchasing content online, limit their access to your bank cards and online payment methods. Many parents have discovered to their cost that a child happily devouring a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!



Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunavolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunavolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



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