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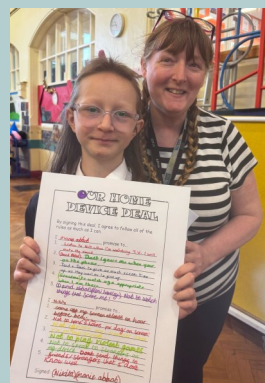
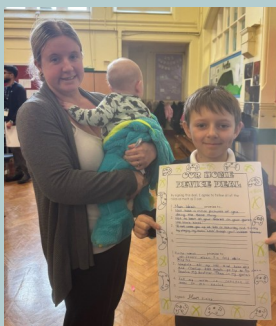
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A huge THANK YOU to ALL those parents who attended this week's Online Safety Workshops! WELL DONE to Mr Smith for leading the sessions that parents & children found very useful.



In Key Stage 2 children and parents worked together to create 'Our Home Device Deal'.



Dates for your diary

After School Clubs will be on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday next week

Mon 3rd & Tue 4th Mar

Scholastic Book Fair in the Library from 3.30pm. See pg 5

Thu 6th Mar

World Book Day

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Fri 7th Mar

9.10 Celebration Assembly

Y4 swimming session

Online Safety workshops

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Online Safety for children—what next?

We subscribe to Knowsley City Learning Centre's 'Internet Safety Newsletter' which is produced monthly. It includes articles and advice about a range of internet related matters, activities and games that children may experience.

The newsletter is always forwarded to parents and posted on our website for future reference.

On Friday 7th March, Alan Ellis from Knowsley City Learning Centre will be spending the day at West Street to deliver a one day Online Safety package. Alan will be leading online safety workshops for children. There will be a workshop for each individual class from Y1 to Y6.

After this on Wednesday 12th March all children will be involved in an online safety assembly. Every class will make a five minute contribution to this assembly to share what they have learnt about online safety.



ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.





COLNE WINTER BLOOM FESTIVAL

Thankyou to ALL those children, parents and staff who took part in the Colne Winter Bloom Festival on Saturday 15th February. The lanterns Year 4 made in school looked fantastic lit up in the dark! Everyone enjoyed taking part in the parade.

WELL DONE!



SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

DATE: Wed 26th Feb - Wed 5th Mar

FREE BOOKS FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU BUY AT THE BOOK FAIR!

A POP-UP BOOK-STORE WITH HUNDREDS OF BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99

LAST YEAR YOUR SUPPORT HELPED DONATE £5.3M IN FREE BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

Ages 2+

Ages 6+

EVERY BOOK YOU BUY EARNS FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL

Ages 8+

From the author of The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh

Payment at our Book Fair

Please check with your school for the best way to pay for your books

- You may pay by card at the Fair via card reader machines if your school has one or by using the online payment link at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay and simply selecting your school from the drop down menu.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.
- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List - please ask your school for details.

HELP EARN FREE BOOKS

Scholastic is one of the largest providers of free books to schools via our Reward scheme which helps to ensure that as many children as possible have access to books that support reading for pleasure. Every time you buy from the Book Fair, you help to make a difference by supporting literacy in your child's setting. Last year, with your help, we gave over £5.3M worth of free books to schools nationwide, which stocked school libraries and classrooms.

***Free books are subject to terms and conditions. Please contact your Book Fair Organiser or Scholastic Book Fairs for details. All books subject to availability. Book range may vary. ⚠ Warning: Not suitable for children under 3. Small parts.**

Parents and children are invited to come and visit the Book Fair in the Hall.

The Book Fair will be open from 3.30pm on Mon 3rd & Tue 4th March.

Parents have already spent £933 so school will receive free books!

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March



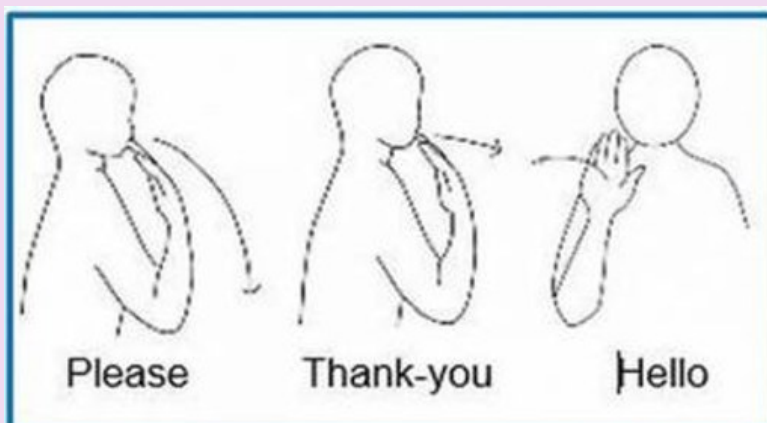
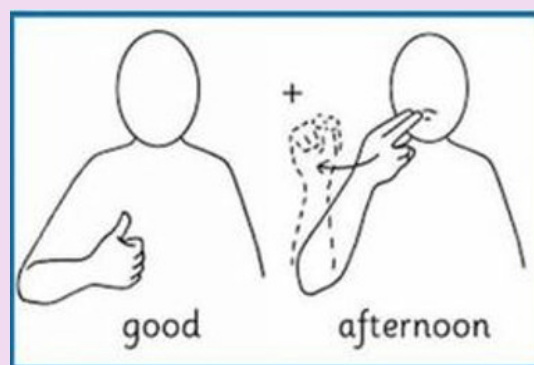
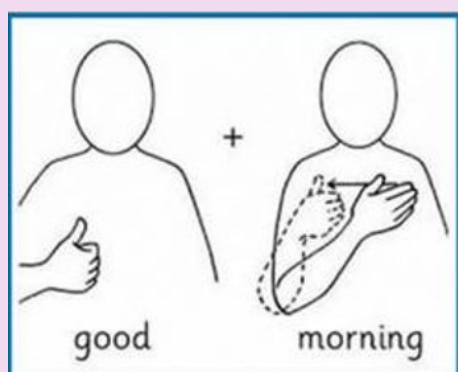
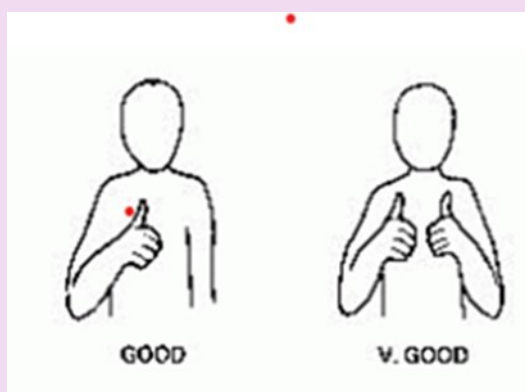


MAKATON SIGNS WE ALREADY KNOW

This week children and staff are going to practise the Makaton phrases they already know. Then from next week, we will be re-introducing a Makaton phrase of the week to learn.

Here are the phrases we already know.

Have a go at practising them with your child at home!



COLNE LIBRARY AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS!

Colne Library have started a new after school club on Monday; check times

The upcoming programme of sessions is as follows:

24/2/25 - Mission to Mars - Can you land the Mars Rover?

3/3/25 - Story Builders (World Book Day Special) - Become the architect of a fantastical setting!

10/3/25 - British Science Week - Explore changes and adaptations in the human and animal worlds.

17/3/25 - Climate Change Champions - Learn about climate change and what we can do to help!

24/3/25 - Zombie Apocalypse - Use your STEM skills to keep the undead away!

31/3/25 - Music Makers - Find out how we can make music with technology, science – and bananas.

More information can be found at the following link to Colne Library What's On page

<https://events.apps.lancashire.gov.uk/w/webpage/event-detail?eventid=1652225>

Absence Procedure

When you know your child is off school ill please call and leave us a message. Then we know why your child is not in school.

When your child is not in school, the office staff will:

- send a text message to remind parents that school needs to know why your child is absent.
- make a phone call when they have not yet heard back from you.
- ask Mrs. Peake to make a home visit.

When you receive a text from school you can either reply to the text we have sent you OR just give us a ring.



Contacting School

The school office is open from 8.30am.

Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am.

A member of staff will phone you back when necessary.

School Dinners

This is the menu for school lunches next week. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

Monday

Veg sausage roll with herby potatoes & baked beans OOR Loaded pizza pocket with chips, veg sticks & dips OR Jacket potato with filling & salad

Tuesday

Chicken or burger in a bun with potato wedges & veg OR Tomato pasta with dough balls & salad OR Jacket potato with filling & salad

Wednesday

Sausage with mash & veg OR Chinese veg noodles with spring rolls & sweet chilli sauce Jacket potato with filling & salad

Thursday: World Book Day Special!

Charlotte's Crispy Quorn Goujons with Mogs Un'forgetful curry sauce & Matilda's Mixed Veg Rice OR Sherlock Holmes Veg Sausage Roll

Mr Fox's Fantastic Fries & Bertie Bott's Beans OR Mr McGregor's Garden Peas

American style pancakes with a choice of toppings

Friday

Picnic lunch as Hall is in use for Online Safety Workshops for children

Desserts: Cake OR Biscuits OR Fruit OR Yogurt

The cost of school dinners is:

£2.50 per day OR £12.50 per week



Parents who pay for their child's school dinners should pay directly to the office staff. Payments can be made either by cash or cheque.

A massive well done and congratulations to our learners and readers of the week!!

GREAT JOB - You have earned 10 Dojo points!



THANK YOU

to all those parents who joined us for this morning's Celebration Assembly to see your child receive an award.

Reader\$ of the Week

- YR Harper** for working hard in phonics. This is reflected in her reading, well done!
- Y1 Cleo** for making great inferences about Orion in English
- Y2 Faye** for her improved confidence reading out loud
- Y3 Samsa** for always putting 100% effort in to reading lessons
- Y4 Ronnie** for reading loads at home during half-term
- Y5 Finley** for reading at home more
- Y6 Alessa E** for working incredibly hard during her Words First lessons

Learner\$ of the Week

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| YR Bilal for his fabulous phonics. Great sounding out and blending, well done | Evie for being a fantastic all rounder who does her best in all areas |
| Y1 Tommy for being a maths whizz and completing missing number problems with numbers up to 30 | Millie for improved confidence with her learning |
| Y2 Harry for being really engaged with all lessons and doing his best | Ayden for doing his best and showing resilience when managing change |
| Y3 Huriyah for putting 100% effort in to all her learning this week | Fatima for being an amazing role model both for her work and her behaviour |
| Y4 Jacob for his brilliant coding work. He wrote algorithms to create a mindfulness moment timer | Lexi for working hard with her Mum to create a Home Device Deal during our online safety workshop |
| Y5 Moiz for being a sensible, responsible member of the class | Nicola for always working hard, even when her work is tricky |
| Y6 Brandon for being so switched on this week and doing his BEST in every lesson | |