



Warbston Primary Academy and Nursery

Small and mighty is the Warbston Way

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week in school has passed, and seemingly a complete change of season! We are keeping everything crossed for fabulous weather for our beach day on Tuesday and Family Fun Day on Saturday. We're really excited about both events!

This time of year is a busy one with many events taking place in school. Please do keep your eye for the emails coming home containing important information.

Many thanks for your generosity in supporting our mufti days, we have many beautiful jars filled with treats ready to be won on the tombola. Tickets for the Fun Day go on sale today after school, they can be purchased every day next week at school pick up.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Mrs Bancroft

Year 5 Aspire Games

Year 5 attended the Aspire Games at Par Athletics Track this week, it was fun event with many Aspire schools attending. The children were put into Aspire teams to compete in various athletic events. It was a great opportunity for our children to be part of a big event and mix in with many children. They did very well indeed with one of our teams coming in 1st place!



Warbston children were praised for their enthusiasm as well as good team skills, their behaviour was exemplary!

Our Reception children will be attending the Aspire EYFS games in a few weeks time – more information to follow.

Spelling homework

Spelling practice at home and tests in school will resume this weekend. Thank you for your continued support with the spelling practice, it really does make a big difference.

Staffing news

After considerable thought and deliberation Mrs Harvey has decided that it is now time for her to expand her career opportunities to outside of Warbstow Academy and so will be leaving us. Aspire Academy Trust and Warbstow Academy would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Harvey for all her dedication to all the pupils, families, staff and members of the wider community that have attended Warbstow School and we wish her well with a prosperous future.

Mrs Davies will continue to teach Attenborough Class.

As our Paddington families will be aware Mrs Provis has struggled this year with some bouts of illness, she unfortunately needs to take further time away from school this term due to illness. We have teachers ready to cover Mrs Provis, Mrs Newbery and Mrs will be sharing the class responsibility from Monday. I am assuming responsibility for the planning and assessment of the class, we will be continuing with our space theme and ensuring the children's progress is not impacted upon.

Family Fun Day



The poster for Warbstow Academy Fun Day features a festive banner of colorful triangular flags at the top. The main title 'Warbstow Academy Fun Day' is written in a playful, rounded font. Below the title, the date 'Saturday 22nd June 2024' and time '10am - 2pm' are clearly stated, along with the location 'Warbstow Playing Field' and the text 'OPEN TO ALL'. A starburst graphic on the left indicates a price of '£5 per person', while another on the right notes that 'Entry to the Colour Run and bacon butty included with the entry fee'. The central image shows a group of people participating in a 'Colour Run Event', with vibrant colored powders being thrown. Logos for 'Wild Tribe Outdoor Learning' (Woodland Crafts and Activities) and 'LJD COACHING Limited' (Ninja Warriors Quidditch) are included. At the bottom, a list of activities is provided: 'Family Fun' (Join us for a fun packed adventure, games and refreshments.), 'Face paints', 'Tombola', 'Prizes', and 'Cake Stall'. The bottom of the poster features the Warbstow Primary Academy logo, contact information (PL15 8UP, T: 01566 781388, E: hello@warbstow.org.uk), and a decorative border of green foliage.

Frozen Fridays

Frozen Fridays make a return today and will run each Friday until the end of term.

We will have a selection of ice creams and lollies available to purchase in the playground at the end of the day for £1!

Deli Farm Fun Run – Saturday 15th June

The location address is Deli Farm, Delabole, PL33 9BZ. Children need to arrive at the big barn at 9.30 a.m. The race will start at 10.00 a.m. This event is open to the following categories: • EYFS & KS1 – All children must be accompanied by a parent/carers on the run • KS2 • Youths (12-17) • Adults

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Headlice

Unfortunately, it has been brought to our attention that we have an outbreak of head lice in school. Head lice are not a reflection of personal hygiene; they can only be passed on through head to head contact. The length of hair is not a factor. Please be vigilant and check their children's hair regularly.



Online Safety Newsletter

June 2024

Kik

Kik state you must be 16 years of age to use the app.

What is Kik?

Kik is classed as a social network where users can message each other, share photos/videos as well as video chat.

What do I need to be aware of?

- Groups – once a user joins a group then your child can receive messages from other members of that group. Some of the groups are centered around topics that are inappropriate for under 18s.
- Adverts
- Location sharing
- Explicit content – including images, videos and messages.
- Live streaming/videos - risk of seeing/hearing inappropriate content.
- Talking to strangers

What parental controls does Kik offer?

Kik does have reporting and blocking tools as outlined here:

<https://kikhelppcenter.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/4402400774043-What-can-I-do-if-my-teen-has-received-an-unwanted-or-inappropriate-message>

Further information

- <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/kik>
- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/>

Check age ratings!

There is so much that we can do online nowadays including playing games, chatting with others, watching TV or sharing our videos/photographs. Being online can be great but it is important that we set boundaries for our children to keep them safe whilst they explore being online, develop their digital resilience and understanding of what to do if anything negative happens when online.



So how can we help keep our children safe? We can start by checking age restrictions/ratings. **It is important that we follow these to ensure that what our children are doing or seeing online is appropriate for their age.**

Where can I find age ratings?

Films: The British Board of Film Classification (BBFC) rate films. This page includes a link to a 'Parents' Guide to Age Ratings': <https://www.cbbfc.co.uk/resources/viewing-films-safely-online>.

Video games: PEGI provides age classifications for video games. PEGI considers the age suitability of a game, not the level of difficulty. It is important to note that PEGI do not take into consideration user generated content within games (such as on Roblox) and chat facilities within games.

Apps: Check the individual age ratings within the relevant app store. We also recommend that you download any apps and play them yourself to check their suitability.

Social Media: All social media networks have a minimum age rating; they are all at least 13+.

What else can I do?

- Explain the importance of age ratings to your child.
- Go online together to see what your child is accessing.
- Set up parental controls on your broadband, devices and on any individual apps that your child is using. This will reduce the chances of them accessing or viewing anything unsuitable.
- Chat to your child regularly about what they are doing online and as always, remind your child that if anything is worrying them then they should talk to you or another trusted adult.

Further information

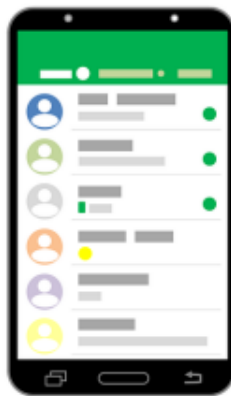
You can find out more here:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/understanding-age-ratings>

Chatting online

Following a recent report by the BBC detailing how a child was asked for inappropriate images when chatting online (source: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-gloucestershire-68616730>), we thought we would discuss the dangers your child might face when communicating with strangers online.

In addition to social media apps that include a chat facility, most online games also allow communication, for example FIFA and Fortnite. Depending on the game, this may be via the in-game text chat, direct messages or talking through headphones. Some games do offer the ability to switch communication off or restrict bad language so make sure settings appropriate to your child are set up for each of the games they play. You need to be aware that there are people who may use these games to start chatting to your child and then encourage them to chat on alternative apps (which are more private, encrypted or have fewer safety options). Talk to your child about the dangers of doing this.



What risks are there with chatting online?

- Bullying
- Inappropriate chat – children may encounter explicit or inappropriate content.
- Contact from strangers – talk to your child about who is contacting them online.
- Sharing personal information – talk to your child about what information they share with others including images.
- Sextortion - this is a form of blackmail where somebody threatens to share a nude/sexual image of you.

How can I mitigate the risks?

- Ensure your child is accessing age-appropriate apps/games and that appropriate parental controls are set up.
- Chat to your child about the risks above so they are aware of what can happen online.
- Depending on the age of your child, it may be more appropriate for devices to be used in family rooms so you can monitor what they are doing and if they are chatting to others.

Reporting other users

It can be difficult to moderate online chat so ensure your child knows how to block and report others who make them feel uncomfortable and that they know to talk to you or a trusted adult if they have any concerns.

Further information

- <https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/Concerned-about-your-child/Online-contact-and-staying-safe/>

Tips to promote positive body image

If your child is viewing content online, particularly on social media, then the images they are seeing may be edited or even fake. A child may not yet be able to distinguish between reality and what is not real/fake, which may impact their own body image.

Internet Matters provide advice on how to empower your child to develop a positive body image and what you can do to help. Find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/promoting-positive-body-image-with-children/>

CBeebies Little Learners app

The CBeebies Little Learners app has been created with BBC Bitesize and educational experts to provide your child with a fun learning experience. It includes activities based on the UK's Early Years Foundation Stage framework, for example sounds and letters and numbers and shapes. You can learn more here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zndjh4j>

LEGO Build and Talk

LEGO® have created Build and Talk to help you chat to your child about online safety. The activities have been created for children ages 6 to 9.

Firstly, you pick an activity to do and then you read a story, which includes questions and conversation prompts, whilst you build LEGO® together. This is a fantastic way to start talking to your child about topics such as screentime and cyberbullying. Find out more here: <https://www.lego.com/en-gb/sustainability/children/buildandtalk/>

Dates

18th June – Surf's Up Beach Day

21st June – 3 Tors Challenge

22nd – FAMILY FUN DAY

26th -28th June – Y5/6 residential trip to YHA Okehampton

1st – 5th July – Sir James Smith Transition Week

4th July – Sports Day

10th July – Earhart Summer Production

11th-12th July – Budehaven Transition Days

12th July – School reports home

15th- 16th July – Launceston College Transition Days

16th July – Warbstow Transition morning

16th July – New Nursery Stay and Play

17th -19th July – Y3/4 residential trip to Carnyorth

24th July – End of Year Celebration Assembly

24th July - Last day of term