Internet Safety

The Internet is a wonderful and diverse place, filled with incredible information resources. Yet for many parents and carers who often have less knowledge and experience of the Net, it can be a place of concern. We worry about what or whom our children may encounter online, and how we can protect them with our own limited knowledge.

While we use it for booking holidays, answering emails, your children are setting up social networking pages, instant messaging with webcams, blogging, researching school projects, listening to music, playing online games and email-

Most children use the Internet safely and responsibly and we shouldn't therefore lose sight of the Net's positive aspects. As parents, we need to balance our concerns about their safety online by empowering them to explore and make the most of this wonderfully rich resource, safe in the knowledge that they can talk to us about anything they run

Housepoints

Our housepoint winners this week with **188** housepoints are:

Kingsbury - Well done!!!

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Internet Safety

Parents checklist: What you can do?

- Limit approved web sites and hours spent online.
- Set high security settings with browsers, membership, and social networking sites.
- Install and maintain Internet Security software and parental controls.
- Use parental controls to limit the web sites your child can visit.
- Monitor your child's computer use and sit with them when they're online, wherever possible.
- Talk about protecting private information (name, phone number etc) and never sharing passwords

Academic Year 2016/2017

Coin Race (FOWES) Thursday 18th May Disco (FOWES) Thursday 25th May Half Term (1 week) Monday 29th May Class Photo's Tuesday 6th June Manor Adventure (vr 6) Friday 9th June to Monday 12th June Father's Day Breakfast Friday 16th June Non-uniform Day Friday 16th June Summer Fayre 1-3.30pm Saturday 24th June Last Day of Term Friday 21st July 1pm

These dates may be subject to change if necessary.



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WEPS Week V

What's on Next Week				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am—SAT's Breakfast Club 3-4.15pm Dodgeball	8am—SAT's Breakfast Club 3.45-4.45pm Y6 Maths Booster 3-4.15pm Multi-Skills	8am—SAT's Breakfast Club 3pm-4.15pm Homework club	8am—SAT's Breakfast Club 3-4.15pm Football	2.30pm Celebration Assembly

Letters sent home this week: Orthoptic Screening Service—Reception, New Lunch Menu, SATs Breakfast Club, Upbeat performance.

A Testing Time

Making sure we encourage our children to shine

We approach a very important time in school, as our children prepare for national statutory tests (SATS).

Each year children in Year 2 and Year 6 complete formal assessments to measure their progress and overall attainment. The national tests and/or teacher assessments we complete are designed to give parents and the school important information about how well each child is doing, what their next steps are, and allow us to judge how the school is doing overall. Children in Year 1 also complete a phonics test to allow us to accurately assess their understanding.

We also undertake non-statutory tests/assessments in all other year groups to indicate if a child is working at, above, or below age related expectations. This also allows teachers to plan essential 'next steps' and ensure children are supported in precisely the correct way and identify any additional support that may be required.

We have completed national statutory tests for many years and are well aware of the problems caused by placing too much pressure on our children. We ALWAYS make sure that testing and assessment is never a frightening or unpleasant experience for the children. Years of experience have shown us that excellently prepared, relaxed and happy children do far better in tests.

We do our very best to make sure that children achieve what they deserve by teaching them to the best of our ability. We support them in class, with early morning booster sessions, specialist tutors, revision packs and individualised support. Surprisingly many of our children actually look forward to completing tests, seeing them as an opportunity to show what they are capable of and as another chance to make their parents proud of them.

Thank you to the staff and children in school who have worked so hard to ensure they are ready to give their best in the coming weeks.

Mrs Cross

Acting Headteacher

★ Spot Light on Excellence...



Learning in different ways

We aim to make learning as exciting and interesting as we possibly can. We are always looking for new ideas and different ways in which to deliver the curriculum. ★ This could be a new resource that we use in the classroom, a visit out of school to experience something first hand, a visitor into school to share their experience or * expertise or staff attending training and coming back $\stackrel{\frown}{\star}$ with inspiration from the trainer and speaking to other teachers.

We pride ourselves on the fact our curriculum evolves year on year and while themes may stay the same, the taking delivery and content will be different and fresh - taking into consideration the needs of the pupils in each class.

* Seeing the buzz around learning these different experinces create fuels staff to continue to look for innovative and interesting ideas.

Mrs Cross



Stars of the week

Well done to all our stars this week!

Beech Class — Lily Pegg—Reading four letter words, good sounding out.

Cedar Class — Warren Illsley—Good participation when visiting Tamworth Castle.

Oak Class — Addison Owen-Sanders—Working hard when making improvements to his writing.

Pine Class — **Brandon Lewis—**Excellent perseverance in mastery skills

Willow Class — Macie Spencer—Excellent reasoning

Bicycles and scooters must not be ridden on the playgrounds or paths before or after school because of potential injury to our parents, children and younger toddlers