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Dates for your diary.

16.01.20

Special Meal Day

## Newsletter: Friday 10th January 2020

### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all of our wonderful children and their families. It is great to see all of the children settling so well, and so quickly, to their learning again. We hope you managed to spend some time together over the Christmas break. On behalf of all of the staff, may I once again take this opportunity to thank every child and parent who sent cards or gifts to staff in school. Your generosity is never taken for granted.

### POLITE REQUEST

I know that this is a request I have put in the newsletter before, but can I politely ask that if you have an issue that you would like resolving you come into school and let us try to help you. We like to think we have excellent relationships with our families, and we will always listen to your concerns. Any request to meet with me is always granted and I am happy to listen to any issues you have. Posting defamatory comments all over Facebook is extremely upsetting, and is certainly not the forum in which to find answers to any worries you might have. Facebook is a strange platform, in that friends of friends can see things and, invariably, the upsetting comments about our school fall at my door. It is the exact opposite of the message we teach children about behaving appropriately online. As I said before, we are the role models that the children follow.

At least give us a chance to speak with you first to see if any clarity can be given and to share the school's viewpoint on it. Many, many thanks, in advance, for your co-operation. We are all on the same side. Let's work in unison for the good of the children.

### PARKING

We continue to have grave concerns over the safety of the road in front of school at the beginning and end of the school day. I am regularly getting phone calls from concerned family members who witness incredibly unsafe road and car practices. I am terrified that it is going to take a disaster for people to start taking notice. This week alone we have children being let out of cars on the road, we have had cars stopping on the zebra crossing, we have had multiple cars parking on the corners which makes it very unsafe for any car coming out of Dunsmore Avenue. Previously we have had parents parking in front of the gates, despite the signs, and then reversing onto the road as our children are leaving. Our youngest children would not be seen in a rear view mirror and we know that they do not always hold their parents hands. Please take the safety of your children and other people's children very seriously.

If it means you have to park and then walk for two or three minutes, then please do so. Better still, for those of you who live close enough, why not leave the car at home and let the children walk home from school. Mick and our family support workers will be outside the school to see if they can help things improve in any way. Please be polite to our hard-working staff if they speak with you about how to park or drive more safely—it is for the benefit of our children!

### SACRAMENTS

Fr David has now opened the window for parents of children in **year 2 and above** who wish to apply for their child to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the summer of 2021. You must have applied by **January 19th**. After this date you will only be considered for the year after. (2022) We want as many of our baptised Catholic children to continue with their journey of faith so please do act swiftly. You can make an appointment with Fr David by phoning the presbytery on: 02760448170. Parents of children in **year 5 and above** can apply for their child to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 2021. The deadline date is the same, **19.1.2020**.



*Happy New Year!*



	Star 1	Star 2
Year R	Modou	Jake
Year 1	Mia	Philipos
Year 2	Brooklyn	Aishatou
Year 3	Jonasz	Glody
Year 4	Oscar	Guy
Year 5	Sophia	Toby
Year 6	Summer	Alana



**Congratulations to Year 3 who  
have won the attendance prize  
for the period of 16/12/2019—  
20/12/2019**

Class	%	Target met
R	96.8	NO
1	92.0	NO
2	84.2	NO
3	99.3	WINNER
4	90.0	NO
5	96.2	NO
6	97.7	YES

**Happy birthday to all of the children who celebrated  
a birthday during this week:**

**Alexis, Arsal, Christina**



	Helpful and loving	Attentive and kind	Listening and learning	Open and honest
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				



LET'S BE  
**FOOD**  
**SMART**  
FOR BODY AND BRAIN

**THURSDAY**  
**16TH JANUARY**

### ORDER FORM

Could you please pay online or payments can be taken at the school.  
All Meal orders need to be received by **Friday 10th January**.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year/Class \_\_\_\_\_

Beef Burger ☐  
Vegetable Burger ☐  
Jacket Potato ☐

Paid Meal (£2.15) ☐  
Universal Free School Meal ☐  
Free School Meal ☐

**"Love one another, as I have loved you, in our home, school and parish families."**





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## Online Safety Newsletter: January 2020



### New device?

#### Smart Phones

Did your child get a new smart phone for Christmas or are they using yours? Have you made sure that the correct parental controls have been set up to help protect your child whilst using the device?

Example controls include setting the device so only age appropriate apps can be downloaded and the ability to disable in-app purchasing (or don't store your payment card details) to avoid any hefty bills.



**iPhone advice:** <https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201304>

**Android advice:** <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/smartphones-and-other-devices/android-smartphone/>

#### Smart speaker



Have you invested in a smart speaker for your home? "Hey, Google" or "Alexa, play some music" may be your key commands now but have you set up the correct parental controls? For example, when using a supervised account on a Google nest, children can't make purchases.

**Google Nest:**

[https://support.google.com/googlenest/answer/9039704?hl=en-gb&ref\\_topic=7196250](https://support.google.com/googlenest/answer/9039704?hl=en-gb&ref_topic=7196250)

**Amazon Echo:** <https://www.common sense media.org/blog/how-to-set-parental-controls-on-the-amazon-echo>

### Is this fake news?

This is a handy guide designed to help you support your child in developing their critical thinking and digital literacy skills when spotting fake information online. Read the guide here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/tackling-fake-news-misinformation-advice-for-parents/>

### Let's go online together!

Why not go online with your child and combine learning and fun! Oxford Owl have an area on their website full of activities for your child:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome-back-for-home/reading-owl/kids-activities>

It also has a free eBook Library developed for children aged 3–11 years old. You can use these books to help your child learn to read and develop a love for reading. There are over 100 eBooks available:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>

### Start a conversation!

#### Question?

Who would you talk to if you saw something online that upset you?

## Want to learn more?

The eSafety Commissioner (Australia) has set up this dedicated area to learn more about games, apps and social media that your child might be accessing, including how to report online abuse, block somebody and links to further information. Available here:

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-issues/esafety-guide>

## WhatsApp privacy settings

Are yours and your child's (if using) privacy settings set up appropriately? For example, you can set that only 'my contacts' can add you to groups and even add exceptions to this rule.

Android device:

<https://faq.whatsapp.com/en/android/23225461/?category=5245250>

iPhone device:

<https://faq.whatsapp.com/en/iphone/28041111>

## Minecraft (PEGI Rating 7)

Minecraft continues to remain popular with it being played by 112 million people every month. It is a great learning tool and is used in schools to teach skills such as planning, problem solving, simulation and 3D modelling. Minecraft is rated as PEGI 7, which means it is suitable for players above 7 years; however, the PEGI rating does not consider the chat facility available within Minecraft. The chat facility can be switched off by following these steps:

- click 'options'
- select multiplayer settings
- click on chat choose shown, hidden or commands only.

If you choose to keep the chat facility on then make sure your child knows what to do if anything upsetting happens.

In addition, protect your child's privacy by using a nickname (don't include their age/birth year) and also chat to your child to make sure that when playing online they know not to tell others personal information such as where they live, what school they go to and their age. More information is available here:

<https://parentinfo.org/article/staying-safe-on-minecraft>



## Instagram restrict mode

Instagram have introduced a new feature that allows users to restrict another user. You could restrict somebody (a bully for example) which means they will not be able to see when you are online or if you've read their messages. Also, only you (and that user) will be able to see their comments on your post. The great thing about this feature is that they won't know that you have 'restricted' them. This is different to blocking (when you block somebody, you no longer see anything they do on Instagram and they don't see anything you do either).

Learn how to use this new feature so you can show your child how to use it: <https://help.instagram.com/2638385956221960>







Happy New Year from the Coventry Blaze

## New Year Blaze Hockey Offer



Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January  
Vs. Dundee Stars (7pm)



Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February  
Vs. Manchester Storm (5.30pm)  
*Includes free ice skating (and skate hire) post-game*



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February  
Vs. Guildford Flames (7.30pm)

Skydome Arena, Croft Rd, Coventry CV1 3AZ

**Adults £10 Under-16's £7**

Per-game | Max 5 per-booking | Usual price £18 and £10

*Collect and pay for the tickets (in cash) on the night of the game.*

To book email: [coventryblazehockey@gmail.com](mailto:coventryblazehockey@gmail.com)  
Quote the name of our school



*Sport in the Community programme in partnership with Kits Academy*



## DOES YOUR CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON HAVE SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS?

Come and meet other parents in a similar situation as you. Relax over coffee/tea and chat in a friendly, non-judgemental environment together with a member of staff from SENDIASS.

THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2020

10 am – 12 noon

CENTRAL LIBRARY  
MEETING ROOM 1  
SMITHFORD WAY  
COVENTRY  
CV1 1FY

## COFFEE MORNING

For further information contact:

SEND Information, Advice and Support Service

Tel: 024 7669 4307 or email: [iass@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:iass@coventry.gov.uk)



# Do you have a query about Special Educational Needs?



**Come and talk informally to the SENDIASS team**  
**Refreshments available! No appointment required!**

My child keeps  
getting sent home  
early: is that right?

I'm 18 now, what are  
my rights in education  
and support?

What's an EHC Plan  
and should my daughter  
get one?

My child is struggling at  
school, what can I do?

## **SENDIASS Drop-in Session**

**Wood Side Family Hub**

Upper Ride, Willenhall Wood, Coventry, CV3 3GL

**Thursday 6th February 2020**

**Drop in between 9:30 am – 11:30 pm**

For further information please contact  
us on **Tel: 024 7669 4307** or e-mail:  
[iass@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:iass@coventry.gov.uk)

# What should the NHS do differently?

Healthwatch Coventry will be running a focus group for parents/carers of children and young people with SEND to help you give your views on services provided by our local NHS

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (9.30am - 12.00pm)**

How can the NHS make it easier for you to access support in different ways; improve communication; and involve patients?

We are holding a Focus Group for parents/carers and young people. Places are limited, book early to avoid disappointment.

**If you aren't able to attend  
you can take part in our survey at:**  
[www.healthwatchcoventry.co.uk/what-should-nhs-do-differently-support-patients](http://www.healthwatchcoventry.co.uk/what-should-nhs-do-differently-support-patients)

## ***Venue:***

***SEND Information, Advice and Support Service,  
Limbrick Wood Centre,  
Thomas Naul Croft, Tile Hill, Coventry, CV4 9QX***

**To book a place or for further information please contact:**  
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