

MOUSEHOLE NEWS

Friday 30th June 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

I just wanted to say a huge thank you for all your support, commitment and looking so fabulous in our Mazey Parade last Saturday. I have been inundated with lovely comments from you and the community about how wonderful it looked and sounded. The children were amazing and I was very proud of them all. A big thank you to David Eddy for making the structures with the staff and children and to Mr Bilham for whipping our Samba band into shape in such a short period of time.

They children are currently in the throws of practicing for our "Wind in the Willows" production and tickets will be available next week. We have had to limit them to two tickets per family so that we can fit everyone in the hall over the two performances. A matinee at 1.30pm and the evening performance at 5.30pm. Thank you in advance for your understanding regarding spaces.

A huge congratulations to Ella who competed in the National Cheerleading Competition in Stoke on Trent last weekend. Her team came first in Pom and 4th in Cheer. This is an amazing achievement Ella we are very proud of you-keep up the good work!

Next Friday 7th July we are wearing green to school and ask for a £2 donations for The Cove Macmillan Cancer Support for Children and resources in schools to support if we should ever be faced with this in the future. TPAT have positively encouraged this initiative and all the schools are taking part. It would be excellent if you could support this worthy cause.

Today it was lovely to welcome in the Year 5 parents and grandparents in for lunch Thank you all for coming along and to Bex and Sarah for cooking and preparing the lunches.

On Tuesday 4th July the year 6 children will be attending their transition days to their chosen secondary schools and will go straight there in the morning. The rest of the children will spend the morning with their new class teachers and support staff. We look forward to welcoming the parents of the children starting in Dinghy Class at 11.30am after their morning in class.

Please come along to the Maypole and May Queen Parade this **Saturday 1st July at 6pm in Paul Quiet Garden** for the children to join in with the dancing. They can come in their own clothes to take part in the dancing with Morvah.

Sports day Monday 17th July at 1pm and the back up day is Wednesday 19th July at 1pm.

Please remember to have a **water bottle and hat in school** as the weather improves and ensure that your child has suncream applied and has a bottle in school to reapply throughout the day. A quick reminder that only stud earrings and a watch can be worn into school and hair is tied up. **The children need to continue to wear the correct uniform and footwear-black shoes and no opened toed sandals or trainers unless it is their PE day.**

We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow at the Maypole Dancing and if not, at 8.50am for a prompt start on Monday morning.

Best wishes

Sarah Trow





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Summer Term:

1.7.23 May Day/Maypole dancing Paul Quiet Garden 6pm

4.7.23 Yr 6 Transition Day out at HDS and MBS

7.7.23 Wear Green to school £2 donations for The Cove Macmillan Cancer Support for Children.

7.7.23 Schooner Cake Stall 3pm

10.7.23 Lullaby Tides Performance at The Minack 1-7pm

12.7.23 Wind in the Willows School Production 1.30pm and 5.30pm 2 tickets per family will be available from next week.

13.7.23 Lugger Brass assembly-9.20am

14.7.23 Year 6 Parent/Grandparent lunch

WB 17.7.23 Sports Week

17.7.23 Sports Day 1pm School Field back up date on Wednesday 19th July.

20.7.23 All children swimming at the Jubilee Pool and to be collected from there at 3pm

21.7.23 Yr 6 Leavers assembly at 2pm

21.7.23 Last day of the term

Jumping Mice weekly on Tuesday 10.30-11.30am

2022-2023 INSET Days:

Monday 24th July 2023

Tuesday 25th July 2023

Autumn Term Starts:

Wednesday 6th September 2023

ATTENDANCE 
WINNERS OF THE WEEK:

DINGHY CLASS

WHOLE SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE: 95%



Changes to School Day Timings

From September 2023 the school day will start at 8.45am and finish at 3.05pm.



Class
of
23

MAINS

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Or

Burger in a bun

SIDES

Chips, Sweetcorn and Baked Beans

DESSERTS

Doughnut OR

Ice cream

Friday 21st July 2023!



Online Safety Newsletter

July 2023

Quora

Quora should only be accessed by users that are 13+. Quora is a question-and-answer site. You do need to set up an account to see and post replies.

Due to the nature of the site, users can communicate with strangers, either through the Q&A boards, spaces or via private messages. Private messaging can be turned off in settings and users can block other users.

Quora is a platform where users can post publicly. If your child is using this site, then please ensure your child understands that they should not share personal information. As content is user generated, talk to your child about how information they read online may not be factually correct. Your child may also come across content and topics that are not age appropriate.

You can find out more about the safety and security of Quora here: <https://help.quora.com/hc/en-us/sections/115001205786-Safety-Security>

Reporting to Social Media Sites

CEOP provide an overview of how to contact several different social media sites: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/Reporting-to-social-media-sites->

Safe Searching

There is so much online that we would not want our child to view and even an innocent search can result in inappropriate content being seen. To make our child's online world safer, we would firstly recommend switching on Safesearch settings for the search engine your child uses. **However, as not all search engines allow you to 'lock' Safesearch on (so users may be able to simply turn it off),** we would encourage you to apply further parental controls.



For some search engines, for example Google, you can set up a Family management account, which will ensure that Safesearch settings cannot be switched off. We would recommend using a family management account (either Google or Microsoft) so even if your child is using a search engine that cannot be locked, there will at least be an additional level of content filtering provided.

In addition to the above, make sure you have set up appropriate parental controls on your home broadband (and any consoles/ devices/ apps/ websites that your child uses/accesses) for example, to restrict access to explicit websites or access to websites that are not suitable for children.

Please remember that no filtering/ parental control is 100% safe, so it is important that you talk to your child about how they can stay safe online and that they should talk to you or another trusted adult if they need to.

CEOP have produced an article exploring what you could do if your child sees something inappropriate online:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/what-to-do-if-your-child-has-seen-something-inappropriate-online/>

Further information

Parent Zone have published an article to help you understand searching in more detail:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/search-engines>

Online Challenges

Our children may not have developed the skills and ability to critically analyse all situations yet so it is important to talk to your child about hoaxes and challenges that may appear on the internet. Some challenges are fun and provide no risk, however there will be challenges that are risky/dangerous. Your child may see others complete certain challenges online without being harmed and therefore may want to repeat them **and not consider the potential risks to themselves**. Make sure they know that they should talk to you (or another trusted adult) about what they see online, particularly if they plan to try a challenge or if something scares or upsets them.



We would always advise that if your child has not heard about an online challenge, then do not draw attention to it as this may lead to them searching for it out of curiosity, so just talk about challenges in a general sense. **Reassure your child that challenges that suggest that bad things will happen if they do not complete the tasks are not real.**

The following link will provide you with further information as well as content to help you talk to your child:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/connecting-safely-online/advice-for-parents/tackling-the-hard-stuff-on-social-media-to-support-young-people/online-challenges-are-they-harmless/>

TikTok have also produced this resource to help you talk to your child about challenges and the potential risks:
<https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en-sg/online-challenges/>

Summertime

As we head into the summer holidays, we may find our children online more or having more screen time. Childnet have produced this blog, which includes how to help your child with managing their screen time: <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/screen-time-boundaries-parents/>



You may also be looking for activities to do with your child. Google and Parent Zone have produced some great resources that are free to download. They include a mix of online and offline activities, such as asking them to create a poster to show what they would do if they were worried about something they see online. You can access all the resources here:
<https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/download>

Vinted scams

Have you used Vinted to buy and sell used clothes? Please be aware of potential scams. Vinted have published an article highlighting how scammers might target Vinted users and how you can protect yourself. You can read the full article here:

<https://www.vinted.co.uk/help/628-recognise-spoof-and-phishing-messages>

Children's Online Safety Test

Virgin Media have created four different Internet Safety Tests around four key topics to help you learn more about the internet and different terms that you might come across such as catfishing. You can access them here:

<https://www.virginmedia.com/blog/online-safety/childrens-internet-safety-test/>

What is Virtual Reality

Did you know that many VR headsets have a minimum age rating of 13?

Childnet have produced this article detailing what virtual reality is and the considerations that you should consider before using:

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/virtual-reality-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers/>

