

## HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

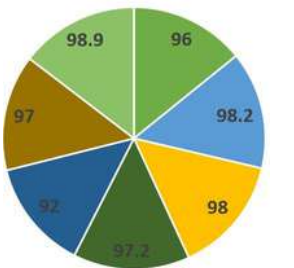
This morning we had the pleasure of welcoming several of our Governors into school. They were able to watch some lessons with a maths, problem solving focus and talk to children about what they enjoy about the subject. I know the children are very proud of our school and the learning that goes on here. Being part of the lessons this morning we saw a real enthusiasm for investigating problems and the creative ways children use maths in real contexts.

The Governors play an important role in ensuring that school is providing the very best education possible and these visits allow them to see evidence of what is discussed in the regular meetings they have with the Leadership Team.

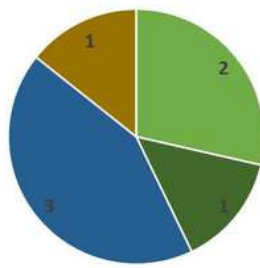
Mrs M. Ward  
Associate Headteacher

## ATTENDANCE STATS

Overall attendance this week for the whole school 98.6 %



CLASS ATTENDANCE %



NUMBER OF LATE PUPILS



SCAN THE QR CODES TO VISIT OUR PAGES

## SPOTLIGHT ON 'ROBINWOOD'



Year 6 had a fantastic time at Robinwood for their residential trip this week. We did climbing, canoeing, caving and explored new heights zip lining! The whole class made us, at BGL, extremely proud as they effortlessly demonstrated all of our school values!





## MRS WILSON'S UGANDA ASSEMBLY



On Monday 17th June, Mrs Wilson, the previous Headteacher, will be visiting the school to lead an assembly about her recent visit to Uganda and to tell children and staff about how the money they raised is making such a difference to the community she visited.

## FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST

If you have booked onto the Fathers' Day Breakfast on Monday 17th June, please come in via the hall doors.



## DOLCE: BOOKING SCHOOL LUNCHES



Can we please remind you that if your child is having a school dinner, their choice needs to be ordered in advance. This helps service to run as smoothly as possible and ensure that all children get the meal of their choice.

## PUPIL INFORMATION FORMS



A reminder that the following forms **must** be completed on School Spider:

- Home-time arrangements form
- Parent/Carer Agreement/Consent form
- Parent/Carer Consent & Medical form

It is important that these forms are submitted by Wednesday 10th July 2024 for preparation for the new academic year. These forms are requested annually to ensure all our records are up-to-date.

## BREAKFAST CLUB



Please note that on Monday, Breakfast Club will be in Y2 classroom due to the Fathers' Day Breakfast. Please drop your children off at the main entrance.

## BEHAVIOUR FOCUS

This week I have seen a lot of 'over and aboves' in most of the classes. Next week I am looking for 'over and aboves' in ALL of the classes!



## UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Monday 17th	PTFA Fathers' Day Breakfast
Monday 17th	Mrs Wilson Uganda Assembly
Wednesday 19th	Stay and Play New Reception 10.30am
Thursday 20th	Y6 Bikeability
Thursday 20th	Y3/Y4 Active Wheels
Friday 21st	Reception Assembly 8.40am (Rec. parents invited)
Wednesday 26th	New Reception First Taster Session 1.15 - 2.15pm
Wednesday 26th	Lancaster Girls' Grammar Induction Day
Thursday 27th	New Reception taster Day 1.15 - 2.15pm
Monday 1st July	Y3 trip to Wildwood Days
Wednesday 3rd	Brownedge, St. Michael's & Lostock Hall transition days
Wednesday 3rd	New Reception taster Day 1.15 - 2.15pm
Thursday 4th	Brownedge transition day

## BIRTHDAY SHOUT OUTS!

Happy birthday to the children who have been celebrating this week and a big THANK YOU to:

Leo in Y2 for 'Mega Monster' by David Walliams and Ronnie in Y4 for 'Mr Stink' also by David Walliams





## PICTURE NEWS

### TAKEHOME



Should we always be prepared for an emergency?

## In the news this week

The UK government has launched a new website, [prepare.campaign.gov.uk](http://prepare.campaign.gov.uk), designed to help people plan for potential dangers and equip themselves with the necessary knowledge and resources to respond effectively. Households are encouraged to understand the hazards in their local area by checking their long-term flood risk and signing up for flood and weather warnings. Creating an emergency plan is another key aspect of being prepared, including deciding on escape routes and keeping important phone numbers to hand.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you have any plans in case of emergencies in your household? Is it something that you prioritise?
- > Have you, or anyone at home, ever experienced an emergency? Were you prepared for it? If so, if it happened again, is there anything you would do differently?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Our smartest lining up classes this week are ...

YEAR 1



YEAR 3



# ONE STOP SHOP

### Families - visit to access advice on:

Housing, Emotional Health & Wellbeing, Finances, Home Safety, Foodbanks, & speak to Citizens Advice Bureau Christians Against Poverty & more

18th June  
&  
16th July

**Young People** - call in for advice & support on any issues, meet staff from Inspire Youth Zone, Sexual Health Services, Targeted Youth Support, and We Are With You (plus a free weekly bus pass if 16-18 & not in education / training / employment)

9am till 12noon  
Families

2.30 - 5pm  
Young People

(11 - 19 or up to 25 if SEND)

Third Tuesday of every month

**FAMILY HUB CHORLEY**

**Duke Street Family Hub  
Chorley  
PR7 3DU**

Call: 01257 516 316  
for more info!





# NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 14TH JUNE, 2024

## ONLINE SAFETY FOCUS: ROBLOX

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Famously delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

### What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ROBLOX

Roblox is one of the most popular video games among children. In 2020, the game's developers claimed that more than half of the USA's children had played it. As a 'sandbox' title, the game lets players create their own gaming experiences with Roblox Studio to build custom levels, which can then be shared online.

**AGE RATING**  
PEGI 7

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**CONTACT WITH STRANGERS**  
Roblox encourages players to interact online (including a group chat function), which could expose children to various risks. Scammers often attempt to trick young Roblox fans into exchanging their paid-for items for something which turns out to be of much lesser value – or something they never even receive. The in-game chat has some filters, but it isn't perfect: players can still send unpleasant messages, while predators can reach out to children directly.

**ONLINE DATERS**  
These are also called 'Obbers' and are quite common in Roblox. An Obber is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but this doesn't usually deter such people. Some player-built Roblox levels have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind, and this will not always be obvious.

**PUBLIC SERVERS**  
Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money – usually a one-off payment. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games which focus on all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. Some lobbies, therefore, will put children at greater risk of contact from strangers than others.

**IN-APP PURCHASES**  
Roblox is free to download and play, but bear in mind that there are some extra costs. These are usually indicated with the symbol for 'Robux' (the in-game currency). Players are encouraged to make purchases in the game using real money. People can also buy extra Robux to spend on cosmetic items in the game, and it's also possible to purchase a private or VIP server.

**Advice for Parents & Educators**

**SET PARENTAL CONTROLS**  
Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for younger players, as that allows Roblox to automatically apply appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

**DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING**  
Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. Keep in mind that the game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your account.

**PRIVATE SERVERS**  
If a child has friends to play Roblox with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, the player who owns the server could invite other people – who might not be child friendly – to join them. Additionally, private servers can be set up in such a way that any player on the host's friends list can join, so it's important to discuss who children are playing with.

**MONITOR SPENDING**  
If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that two-factor authentication is enabled on any payment accounts also makes it harder for children to spend money inadvertently.

**DEALING WITH STRANGERS**  
At some point in their development, children must learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block, report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's okay to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger – can help them understand how to communicate more safely with other people online.

### Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2016, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

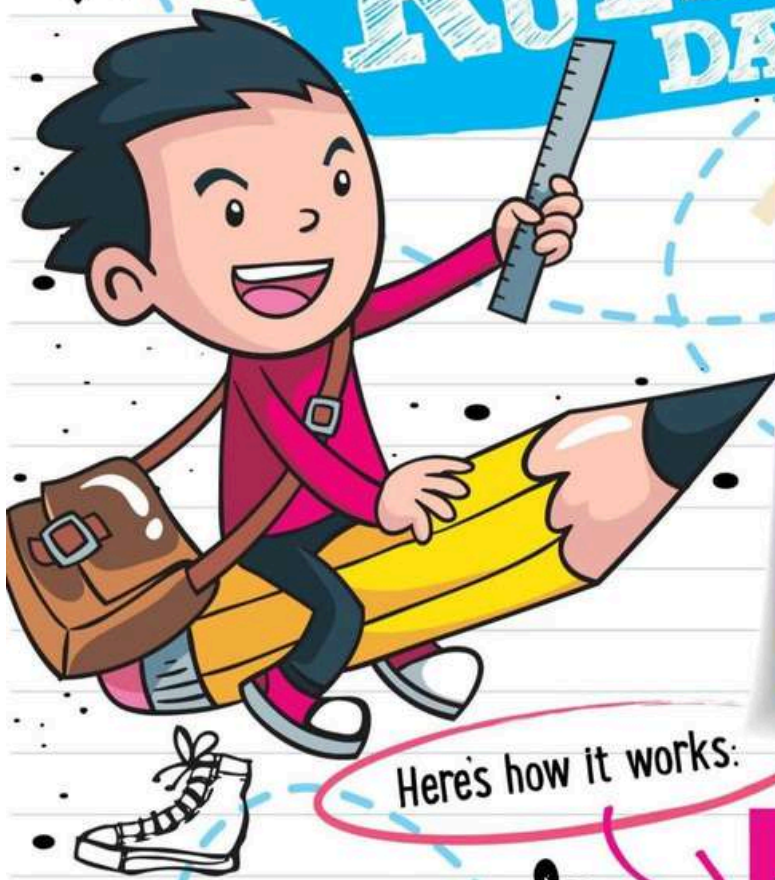
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sources: <https://www.theverge.com/2020/7/21/1333411/roblox-over-half-of-us-kids-playing-virtual-parties-fortnite>  
<https://corp.roblox.com/parents/>



BGL PTFA presents

## BREAK the RULES DAY



### Rules to be broken include:

1. Bring a healthy lunch or snack
2. Have neat hair
3. Fill your water bottle with water only

### Here's how it works:

### When?

Friday June 21st – break rule 1

Friday June 28th – break rule 2

Wednesday July 3rd – break rule 3

Volunteers will be outside school each day to collect donations.

For **each break** a rule day, we are kindly asking for donations for our Summer Fair. Donations can be:

- Cakes
- Bottles (alcoholic and non-alcoholic)
- Sweet Jars
- Chocolate

Thank you!



## COMMUNITY LINKS

1st HOGHTON SCOUTS

### JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER FESTIVAL

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE

GAMES  
FACE PAINTING  
RAFFLE FOOD & BAR  
STALLS LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
KINGS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Friday 14 June 6pm (bbq & bar)  
Saturday 15 June from noon

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL  
[treasurer.1sthoghton@southribblescouts.org.uk](mailto:treasurer.1sthoghton@southribblescouts.org.uk)

FREE ENTRY  
Cash & Card accepted for 1st Hoghton stalls & bar

Rear of Old School House  
Hoghton, PR5 0SJ

FREE PARKING  
at Holy Trinity Church

1st HOGHTON SCOUTS

### SUMMER FESTIVAL

JUNE 15th @ 12pm

FREE ENTRY

STALLS | MUSIC | DRINKS | FOOD | GAMES



The Fairy Facepainter • Tropic Skincare • Wax Melts  
One Sip At A Time • The Crepe House • Genki Gear  
Be.Nu Massage • Cali & Wolf • Baked by Hannah  
EC Creative Canvas • Aboreal Designs • Nerf experience  
Crafty Curlew • African Woodstock • Jarvois Creations  
DH Personalised Gifts

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