

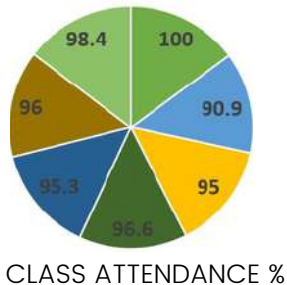
HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

As you will know, on Wednesday whilst many of our Year 6 children had time at their new high school, pupils from Reception to Y5 spent the afternoon with their new class teacher in their new classroom. The positivity around school was delightful. Children were full of excitement about what might be on their new class "happy list" and how they couldn't wait to start learning in their new classroom environment. Over the last few months that I have been here, I have loved seeing the children grow and mature, so many children showing me that they are ready for the next stage in their journey. I'm thrilled so many are excited about what is to come.

Mrs M. Ward
Associate Headteacher

ATTENDANCE STATS

Overall attendance this week for the whole school 96.0 %



CLASS ATTENDANCE %

- CL R
- CL 1
- CL 2
- CL 3
- CL 4
- CL 5
- CL 6



NUMBER OF LATE PUPILS



SCAN THE QR CODES TO VISIT OUR PAGES

SPOTLIGHT ON 'YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAYS'

Our Year 6 children visited their new High Schools this week and by all accounts they all had a wonderful time!



'High school seemed scary at first but it actually wasn't at all once I was there.' - Archie



It was really good because when you were there you were looked after by loads of others students so you didn't worry about getting lost.' - Edward

'You make friends, even if they're older. There's so many people to talk to.' - Faith



'We got to meet our tutors and had a science lesson where we used bunsen burners to burn copper, magnesium, iron and aluminium to make different colours in the flame.' - Noah



'You just need to be yourself and you'll make friends.' - Willow

Therefore, choose

'I can't wait to go back.' - Henley



LOST PROPERTY

Last property will be taken to a recycling centre on Thursday 18th July. Please can all parents check that they have collected any items as they will no longer be available after this date.



GUITAR LESSONS

There will be a beginners guitar group starting in September on Wednesdays at 8.10am. The lessons will be provided by Carmel Galea who teaches at many local Primary and High Schools. Beginners guitar letters have gone out to the present pupils in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5. Should anyone require extra letters please email carmel@cmg-guitars.co.uk or ask at the school office.



UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Monday 8th	Rec. Visit to Lytham Beach
Tuesday 9th	Y5 watching Beauty and the Beast at Brownedge High school
Wednesday 10th	Whole School Athletics Festival
Wednesday 10th	New Reception Teddy Bears Picnic 1.30pm - 2.15PM
Monday 15th	Y3 trip to Wildwood Days
Monday 22nd	Y6 Leavers Assembly 1.30 - 3.00pm
Monday 22nd	Close after school for summer
Monday 2nd September	School reopens for Autumn Term

RECEPTION LYTHAM BEACH

Receptions' visit to Lytham beach will take place on Monday 8th July. Please ensure that you have completed the Consent form and made payment on School Spider.



Y3 WILDWOOD DAYS

Year 3's visit to Wildwood Days takes place on Monday 15th July. Please ensure that you have completed the consent form and made payment on School Spider.



STAFFING

Next Wednesday we welcome back from maternity leave Mrs Wilkinson. She will take up her post of Business Support Officer and work with Mrs Timmins until the end of term. At that point Mrs Timmins will end her maternity cover. Mrs Taylor will resume her role as Admin Support in the front office. We are fortunate to have such a lovely admin team.



PUPIL INFORMATION FORMS

If you have not yet completed the medical, parent consent/agreement and home time arrangement forms please do so as soon as possible. The deadline for completion is Wednesday 10th July. It is important that you complete the forms so we have the most up to date information in readiness for the new academic year.



PTFA SUMMER FAIR



Don't forget the Summer Fair takes place tonight 4.00 - 7.00pm. Take the opportunity to buy your weekend sweet treat on the cake stall, try your luck on the tombola, treat yourself to a temporary tattoo and much more!

BEHAVIOUR FOCUS

It has been great to see some really good behaviour this week. Year 2 have impressed me with their lining up and Year 5 have shown some excellent behaviour in assembly.



BIRTHDAY SHOUT OUTS!

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

- Ava-Grace in Y1 for her book, 'A Home For Stone' by Corinne Averiss and Roalind Beardshaw



Our smartest lining up classes this week are ...

RECEPTION



YEAR 5



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.



Please make sure that your child has sun screen applied before school in the morning if the weather is hot!

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

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)

18th June
&
16th July

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

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for more info!

SCHOOL SUMMER FUN



WHEN

5th July, 2024

4pm - 7pm

WHERE

Brindle Gregson Lane
Primary School
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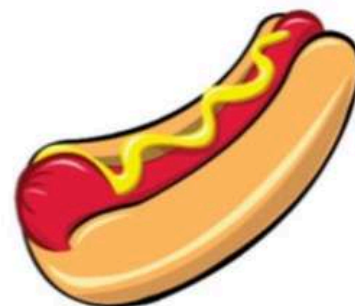
EVENT INFORMATION

TICKETS
£1 ENTRY FEE



INFLATABLES
HOOK A DUCK
SWEET HOOPLA
TEMP TATTOOS
TOMBOLA
RAFFLE
CAKES
ICE CREAM
TUCK SHOP
HOT DOGS

AND MORE....



ONLINE SAFETY FOCUS: YOUTUBE

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. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE

Almost anyone with an internet connection knows YouTube. The Google-owned site lets anyone upload videos to be shared around the world, and as a result, it's an incredible resource with instant free access to material covering every conceivable topic. But with over 500 hours of video uploaded every minute, not all of it will be appropriate for young eyes.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is flagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate content. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but it can also lead to binge-watching and screen addiction – especially if 'auto-play' is active. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

RADICALISATION

YouTube's algorithm tends to promote content that's getting the most traffic – a lot of which can be quite extreme. This can be fine for harmless topics, but YouTube isn't regulated like television, and that means that conspiracy theories, fake news and hateful ideologies can occasionally surface to warp impressionable minds all too easily. Remember – the more they watch, the more they'll be recommended.

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as message other users directly. Connecting with strangers online can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, cyberbullying and – in the worst cases – online predators. If a child is creating content themselves, this can increase the likelihood of them becoming a target.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends and challenges, some of which are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might want to try them out. Most challenges tend to be safe, but many others may cause physical or emotional harm. Children who watch or copy them. The painful 'salt and ice challenge' – where people use these two ingredients to burn their skin – is just one of many examples.

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

The comments sections of popular content creators regularly have scammers posing as that influencer, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and often offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users aren't who they claim to be.

Advice for Parents & Educators

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

For older children, Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate material (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence, and sexual content) to underage viewers. To prevent children from changing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that they use to access YouTube. It's worth also turning the auto-play feature off, to prevent YouTube's algorithm automatically recommending something inappropriate.

18 CENSORED

TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows parents and carers to monitor what their child is watching, uploading, and sharing with other users. It will also display their recently watched videos, searches, and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives a parent or carer oversight of how their child uses sites like YouTube and helps to ensure that they are only accessing appropriate content.

MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them under 18. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course. You may want to keep an eye on how children interact with this material – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand what they're interested in. Remember that creators often share content outside of YouTube, so don't ignore their web presence elsewhere!

CONSIDER YOUTUBE KIDS

It's possible to sidestep most inappropriate content completely via Google's own YouTube Kids app for Android handsets and iPhone. This lets you filter content by 'preschool' (4 and under), 'younger' (ages 5 to 8) and 'older' (ages 9 to 12). This isn't a perfect substitute for personal supervision, as the app's filtering system is automated, and Google can't manually review all videos.

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos as 'private' or 'unlisted' – so they could be shared exclusively with family and friends, for example. Comments on videos can also be disabled and channels that a child is subscribed to can be hidden. If the child is only uploading videos set as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.

LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases. For example, users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch. If you like to avoid children purchasing content online, limit their access to online payment methods. Many parents have discovered the hard way that a child happily consuming a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard and The New Statesman.



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PRESTON Walton-le-Dale
29th July - 2nd August

	AM		PM	
MON	Olympic Challenge	Crafty Creations	Sports Action	Pottery
TUES	Tag Rugby	Kidslingo	Dodgeball	Imaginizing
WED	Hockey	Magic	Sports Action	Playful Painting
THURS	Crazy Golf	Under the Sea	Fun Fest Bootcamp	Jewellery Making
FRI	Football Camp	Puppet Making	Fun Day Friday & Water Fight!	

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SUMMER '24
PRESTON Walton-le-Dale
5th - 9th August

	AM		PM	
MON	Gymnastic	Scavenger Hunt	Sports Action	Mailed It
TUES	Rhythmic	Around the World	Mission Impossible	Music Maestros
WED	Basketball	Yoga & Mindfulness	Sports Action	Crafty Creations
THURS	Football Camp	Superhero's & Princesses	Great Outdoors	Creative Cooks
FRI	Olympic Challenge	Dance Nation	Fun Day Friday & Water Fight!	

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SUMMER '24
PRESTON Walton-le-Dale
12th - 16th August

	AM		PM	
MON	Ultimate Frisbee	Messy Mayhem	Sports Action	Summer Gardens
TUES	Circus Training	Space Cadets	Minute To Win It	Slime
WED	Bench Ball	Sand Fest	Sports Action	Mystical Creations
THURS	Sports Action	Mad about Science	Mer? Challenge	Picturesque Painting
FRI	Wacky Races	Fun Fest's Got Talent	Fun Day Friday & Water Fight!	

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SUMMER '24
PRESTON Walton-le-Dale
19th - 23rd August

	AM		PM	
MON	Crazy Golf	Lights, Camera, Action	Sports Action	Harry Potter Experience
TUES	Dodgeball	Beauty School	I'm a Kid Get Me Out of Here	Crafty Creations
WED	Great Outdoors	Animalastic	Sports Action	Down in the Jungle
THURS	Sports Action	Shiver me Timbers	Crickit Club	Jewellery Making
FRI	End of Summer Party Day!			

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