



OPANG NEWSLETTER



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THANK YOU

We would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all our parents and carers, who have gone above and beyond this term, supporting their children whilst learning at home. We also want to acknowledge the hard work our children have done over the last six weeks. Their teachers are very proud of all the work they have been doing, both inside and outside school. Hopefully, half term will give us all a chance to take a break away from screens and school work and spend some time outside.

Internet Safety Day

On Tuesday, it was 'Safer Internet Day'. It promotes a safer and a more responsible use of online technology by children and young people across the world. Mr Fozzard led an assembly to raise awareness of the day and launched a competition to promote safety online. Below are some tips we shared with the children.

S
SHARE RESPONSIBLY
We all love to share photographs, fun things we're doing and much more.
Be careful what you share and always ask permission if somebody else is in the photo or video.

M
MANAGE your PRIVACY
If you're using apps that can communicate with others, turn on privacy.
Only let people you really know follow you unless you've asked permission from your parents.

A
ASK for HELP
Don't ever be worried about asking for help from someone you trust.
You will NOT be judged.

R
RESPECT OTHERS
Be kind.
Other people may have different opinions from you.
That's okay, but if they become abusive, take screenshots, block and report and tell an adult.

T
THINK CRITICALLY
TRUST your INSTINCT
Is it true?
Does that person really know me?
Has that really happened?
Always question!

Mental-health & well-being

All classes took part in children's mental health week and completed a number of activities focusing on how to look after ourselves. *"Our children have been at the heart of what has been done this week. All our staff have worked hard to help the children both at home and in school, to deal with the difficult times we are in and to be able to express themselves. The work the children have done is fantastic and they deserve much praise."* Mrs Gregory, Chair of Governors



To ensure we look after our mental health during half term, a challenge booklet has been shared in each google classroom for your child to complete.

New to the Team

We are pleased to introduce our new site supervisor, Mr Rose. If you see him around school, please give him a warm welcome.



Enhanced Curriculum

Our diploma theme this half term has been 'Protect and Respect the Environment'. Children at home and in school have been taking part in a variety of activities from bird watching in Year 2 to understanding how we can make the world a better place in Year 6. Find out more by looking on our twitter page.



We would like to wish you all a happy, safe and restful half-term and again, a big thank you for all you've done.