

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 7th December 2023

AUTUMN 2 TERM

Hello Everyone

Christmas has officially begun at Leavening. The children are well underway with rehearsals for our upcoming performance 'Prickly Hay', as well as practising some of our more traditional Christmas songs for the community carol singing and Elders lunch at the Jolly Farmers over the next couple of weeks (please see the section on Christmas celebrations).

We are looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to these celebratory events over the next couple of weeks and rejoicing in the magic of Christmas and glitter with us all.

Last week we had our much awaited Ofsted Inspection and as soon as the school report is published, you will receive a copy of it.

We anticipate this will be in the new year.

Thank you to those parents who engaged and completed the Ofsted Parent View survey online. This survey is always available for parents to complete, at any point within the school year and we would really welcome as many parents as possible to do so. It does not take long to register and do, so if you could spare 5 minutes we would be very grateful in order for us to capture an accurate picture of parent views at Leavening. The link to the survey is here:

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/ Thank you.

Wishing you a lovely weekend of merriment.

My best wishes





Child Safety at Christmas

With Christmas coming and the cost of living going up, we're all looking for savings however, there are cheap toys for sale on online marketplaces that could seriously harm your child. For more info on buying safe toys, see here: https://capt.org.uk/buy-

safe-toys/

School Attendance

27 November 2023 - 01 December 2023

Our school weekly attendance was: 91.0%

This was below the **primary national average of: 95.3%**

Attendance this week so far: 92.5% Attendance this term so far: 91.5%

DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

Friday 8th

Carol singing around the village: 2.30pm-3.10pm

Christmas Fair - 3.15pm-5pm

Thursday 14th

Jack & the Beanstalk Panto Trip Please consent & pay via ParentPay **ASAP**

Friday 15th

Christmas productions 9.30am & 2pm with coffee, mince pies & FOLS Xmas hamper raffle **Monday 18th**

Extra-curricular clubs finish this week

Tues 19th

FOLS Movie afternoon - 3.15pm-5pm

Please consent & pay via ParentPay **ASAP**

Thursday 21st

Christmas lunch and parties(pm)

Friday 22nd

Last day of term

JANUARY

Monday 8th

Training day

Tuesday 9th

First day of term

WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF **OUTSTANDING DEBT ON** PARENTPAY.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ACCOUNT AND CLEAR ANY BALANCES ASAP. THANK YOU.

IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES OR **QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT THE** MAIN OFFICE.

Recent highlights from Oak Trees Class

Oak Trees have been exploring the artist Pablo Picasso and using his art from the Cubism genre as inspiration. Take a look at the pupils in action.









Recent highlights from Conkers Class

Conkers and Nursery children explored the crunchy snow in the outdoor area on Friday. They used whatever they could find to gather up the snow; rolling it, ploughing it and even colouring it using powder paints!

Fred the snowman was created and tried on several hats before deciding on the classic look. Other children make snow angels and Nursery created tracks in the snow using some of the large push-along vehicles.

After drying off we all enjoyed hot chocolate and marshmallows and watched a cartoon snowman walking in the air! What a Friday treat!





School Christmas Postbox

This is now up and running in the main reception area!

Please ensure your child writes the <u>name and class</u>

clearly on the envelope!

Christmas carol singing around the village Friday 8th Dec: 2.30pm - 3.15pm

We will be starting on Main Street and proceeding to The Rise then Dam Lane before returning to school.

Any donations would be gratefully received towards 'Friends of Leavening School'. We would warmly welcome support around the village. Please spread the word!

Could we also please remind parents and carers of children in choir, to make sure children bring warm coats, scarves and gloves on Friday (and Christmas hats if at all possible!)

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Christmas Fair

Friday 8th December 3.15pm-5pm

Please do come and support this fantastic event.

There will be some great stalls, with lots of food, drink and much more. We look forward to seeing you there!



Jack and the Beanstalk Panto Trip

Thursday 14th December

Please ensure that you pay for this via ParentPay AND complete the consent form for your child ASAP. https://forms.gle/W9pkdw2PhxZZ8
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This is now overdue.



Raise FREE donations for

Friends of Leavening School (FOLS)

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

The Walt Disney Company's streaming service, Disney+ combines entertainment from the famous animation studio itself with Pixar, Star and National Geographic, plus the Marvel and Star Wars franchises. With access to the latest releases, Disney classics and original series, there's plenty of content to explore. While parents may have noted that adverts have now been introduced on some versions of the service, the platform is unsurprisingly for a Disney product – designed to be appropriate for the whole family.

LESS SUITABLE CONTENT

While Disney+ is predominantly family friendly, there are some movies and shows in its library movies and shows in its library which are aimed at an older audience: these may scare younger ones or contain themes or language that you'd rather your child wasn't exposed to. You could avoid such situations by enabling Junior Mode (see 'Adjust content settings', below) or specifying a content age rating for your child's profile.

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BINGE WATCHING

With the option to view content on With the option to view content on any internet-enabled device and a growing catalogue of movies, cartoons and documentaries, Disney+ can make managing screen time difficult. This could result in children binge watching content, distracting them from activities like homework or socialising. Too much screen time has also been shown to negatively impact mood, sleep patterns and weight.

PHISHING EMAILS

Be especially cautious if you receive emails or text messages purporting to be from Disney+. There have been numerous reports of online scammers impersonating Disney+ staff in an attempt to gain access to subscribers' personal information. Disney+ states it will never email or call customers asking for their payment details, their private information or their password. payment details, information or their password

ENCROACHING adverts

Disney+ has introduced a new subscription package – Disney+ Standard with Ads – which plays Standard with Ads – which plays commercials before movies and during shows (like many TV channels). There are no adverts in Junior Mode, but profiles with a content rating of 6+ years will see ads appropriate for that age category. Adults who give consent will see personalised adverts based on their location and viewing history.

ACCESSING ADULTS'

profile, children could access it and encounter content which isn't age appropriate. In the settings, Junior Mode has a toggle titled 'Kid-Proof Exit' which requires the user to read four words (numbers, spelled out) and enter them to switch profiles. For least though older children who can read, though, this isn't secure enough - so using a PIN for adult profiles is recommended.

If adults don't set a PIN for their profile, children could access it and

Advice for Parents & Carers

ADJUST CONTENT SETTINGS

When setting up an account, there's an option to create profiles in what's called Junior Mode. This generally covers material that's suitable for children up to age 6 and is therefore fairly limited. You can give older children a wider choice of viewing by building a standard profile, then going into the settings and choosing a content rating from one of the pre-set alternatives: 6+, 9+, 12+ or 14+.

TURN OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a cartoon, show or movie finishes, Disney+ uses algorithms to identify content with similar themes, which it thinks your child will also enjoy. This suggestion will then automatically begin to play by default. There's an option to turn off this auto-play function in the profile settings, which will encourage your child to take a break from the screen and move on to a different activity.

ADD PIN PROTECTION

Disney+ enables you to effectively lock profiles behind a four-digit PIN. In particular, some of the shows on the platform's Star content hub are far more oriented to adults (including several hard-hitting dramas from US networks), so protecting parents' or older siblings' profiles with a PIN will help to prevent younger children stumbling across material which isn't intended for them.

ENJOY AS A FAMILY

When your child watches a movie or show on Disney+ for the first time, you may want to sit with them to ensure it's suitable. You could do the same when introducing them to older films that you haven't seen for years; your perception of what's appropriate has very probably changed, and some of the language and attitudes in movies from your own childhood may seem quite shocking today.

Meet Our Expert

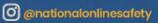


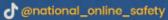


National Safety #WakeUpWednesday



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KNOW THE '4 T'S' OF TYPE 1 DIABETES - IT COULD SAVE A CHILD'S LIFE

It's really important to be able to spot the most common symptoms of type 1 diabetes early.

Unfortunately, we know that too many people – mostly children and young people – are not diagnosed until they are in diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA), a life-threatening condition that requires urgent medical attention.

Early action is important and it's good to know the '4 T's' of type 1 diabetes:

TOILET - GOING TO THE TOILET A LOT.

THIRSTY - BEING VERY THIRSTY AND UNABLE TO QUENCH THE THIRST.

TIRED - FEELING MORE TIRED THAN USUAL.

THINNER - LOSING WEIGHT OR LOOKING THINNER THAN USUAL.

The 4Ts

If you notice these signs and symptoms, you should contact your doctor straight away.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE SUPPORT...

Join our 'Friends of the North' Diabetes UK Facebook group where you can find peer support and the latest information from Diabetes UK, locally and nationally: <u>Diabetes UK chat: Your Friends in the North | Facebook</u>

Or use your mobile phone to scan the QR code:

Contact us:

North of England team: 01925 653281

Diabetes UK Helpline: 0345 123 2399 (Mon-Fri, 9am-6pm)

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

If you would like copies of the poster or the A5 leaflets, please contact north@diabetes.org.uk.

For more information about Diabetes UK visit www.diabetes.org.uk/The4Ts

We have resources to help you support pupils who have type 1 diabetes. Find out more about how we can support schools and our resources to help <u>Diabetes in schools resources</u> <u>Diabetes UK</u>

