

Weekly Newsletter

Growing Together: Every Day In Every Way

Value of the month
Happiness

Concert Week

We are so proud of our children who performed magnificently in their Christmas concerts this week. Thank you for your kind words of encouragement and for supporting the children. Thank you to the staff team have worked very hard to prepare concerts.

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations. This year, we will be raising money for our school so we can enhance our outdoor spaces and equipment.



Philosophy Friday

Have a go at this question at home with a grown-up!

Would you rather be a snail or a slug?

Why?

DIARY DATES:

Class Parties
Non School Uniform
16th December
Nursery- 19th December

Last Day of Term
20th December

Half Term
23rd December- 3rd
January

First Day of Term
6th January

For other important dates, please visit the Calendar page on our school website.

Winter Fayre & Bake-off Winners!

Thank you so much to our wonderful PTA who organised our Christmas Fayre. We know how much hard work goes into running the event and appreciate the efforts of all who volunteered, both on the day and beforehand. Thank you to all who came along - we hope you had lots of fun!



Christmas Bake off 2024 was met with huge enthusiasm, with some excellent entries from our children displaying some wonderful creativeness and ability. The winners for the infants are as below:



1st place: Evren
(Reception)



2nd place: Millicent
(Reception)



3rd place: Rocco
(Year 2)

Mini English Champions

Our English Champion Mrs Osborne is pleased to announce the new Mini English Champions for the year. These children have been selected because they are passionate about books and reading. They will have a range of responsibilities - being role models, recommending books to peers, tidying the libraries, ordering new books and lots of other important jobs.



“I like reading books because they are very interesting. I like reading cartoon books and my favourite author is Dav Pilkey. I am looking forward to delivering new books to all of the different classes” - **Alfie**

“I like reading because it makes me feel calm. I mostly like to read Roald Dahl and Diary of a Wimpy Kid books. I am looking forward to keeping our library neat and tidy” - **Alivia**

“I love reading, every night before bed I read stories with my family. I am looking forward to recommending new books to my friends” - **Joyelle**

“I am excited to be a Mini English Champion because I am looking forward to reading new books. At home I usually read Dog Man books because they have lots of chapters, one book has got 16 chapters!” - **Leo**

“I like reading Julia Donaldson books. I can't wait to buy more books and keep the library tidy” - **Lily**

“I love chapter books and I like to read them with my mummy. I read after school every day. I can't wait to share my knowledge of books with my friends” - **Molly**

“I like reading books because I like to learn information from non-fiction books. I like to read books about Planet Earth. I am excited to look at new books and stamp them and also I am excited to tidy up the library” - **Roshan**

“I like The Cat in the Hat because all of the words rhyme and some of them are funny. I've got two Cat in the Hat books at home. I am looking forward to discovering new books” - **Viaan**

End of Term Parties

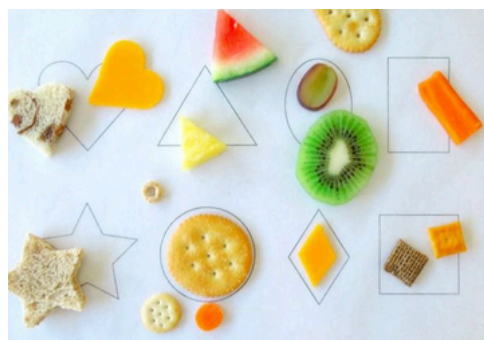
Christmas parties will be as follows:

YR to Y2 - Monday 16th December
Nursery - Thursday 19th December

YR, Y1 & Y2 children can wear their own clothes. Each teacher will be in touch regarding party food. We ask that families contribute a **small** amount of food for your child's class to enjoy during the afternoon. Please bring the food in with you on the morning of the party.

If your child has a **Special Diet Plan**, please send them to school with their own party food in a lunchbox or bag to ensure they have food that is safe for them to eat. Your child's teacher will be able to support with what to provide.

Weekly Maths Challenge



Reception

Think about the shape of some of the food you eat.

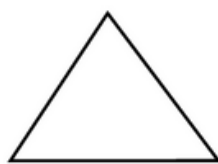
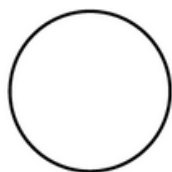
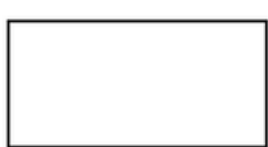
Do you eat any of these shapes?

Can you draw them?

Are there any other shapes you might find in your food?

Could you make a different shape from food?

Helpful hints: Talk about circles, squares, rectangles, triangles and any other shapes you might find.



Years 1 and 2

Mrs Claus made new Christmas suits for three of the workshop elves.

Each suit had matching trousers, jacket and hat.

One suit was **all red**, one was **all green** and one was **all yellow**.

The elves were delighted with their presents, but decided it would be fun to wear a different outfit every day for as many days as possible.

So they agreed to swap around parts of their suits until they ran out of new combinations.

How many days did their fun last?



E-Safety Tip of the Week!

Please see attached an informative poster about age ratings and support in assessing whether a particular title is appropriate for your child.



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What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS



bbfc

If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.



PEGI

RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has informed UK residents of the age suitability of films, TV and music videos - providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVDs and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:



WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provide an additional warning regarding the content and what to expect, such as swearing, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the rating online before your child streams the content. It may also be a good idea to watch the content first yourself or discuss it with other parents to help you decide whether or not it is suitable for your child.

Source: www.bbfc.co.uk

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that ensures all video games are labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provide a content descriptor that indicates the potential issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

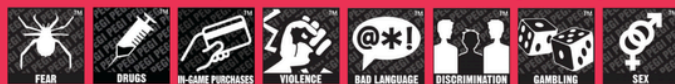
WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Additional 'content descriptors' help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, fear, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two different ratings can provide a good level of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:



PEGI content descriptors are broken down into eight categories:



LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required proof of age, opening them up to age-inappropriate content without you knowing. We advise that you regularly monitor your child's gaming activities and maintain a honest and healthy dialogue with them about the online world.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts which your child may use to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Xbox Store etc.

Source: www.pegi.info