



Dates for the Diary

May

18th – Y6 Swimming commences

Walk to School Week

3.30pm Y6 Residential meeting for Parents

22nd - Sports Day (EY 9.30am, KS1 10.30am and KS2 1.30pm)

22nd - Break up for half term at 3.15pm

June

1st June – Y6 Swimming

9th June – Parent Inclusion Forum

12th June – 1.15-3.15pm Careers Day

15th June – Y6 Residential trip (Monday to Wednesday)

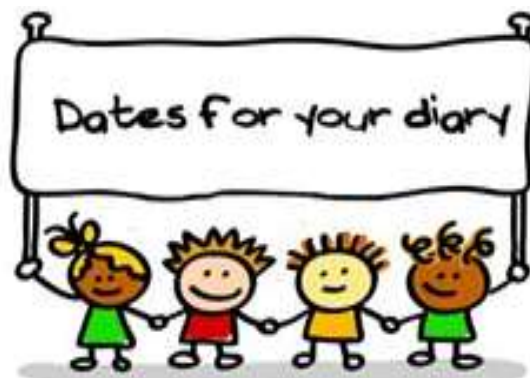
Y5 Bikeability Level 2 (Monday to Friday)

19th June - Holy Family Day of Culture

24th June – EYFS trip to Hertfordshire Zoo

25th June – Y1 and Y2 trip to Frinton-on-Sea

26th June – Y4 trip to Tring Museum





Holy Family Sports Day is next Friday 22nd March – all are welcome!

Sports Day will take place on the school field, timings are below:

- Nursery & Reception – 9.30am
- Y1 & Y2 – 10.30am
- Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 – 1.30pm

A few reminders

- All children should wear their school PE kit and suitable trainers.
- Please ensure children have a sunhat, pre-applied sunscreen, and a water bottle.
- Parents and family members should remain in the spectator area and should not cross the track to speak to children.
- Staff will be on hand to help children with any first aid or support needed during the races.
- Younger siblings should not use any of the play equipment but may use the sandpit with adult supervision.
- Please only take photos or videos of your own child and do not post photos or videos on social media.

As each Sports Day ends staff will take the children back to class.

We are looking forward to a day of fun in the sun!



Well done to our Y6 pupils!

A big well done to all our Y6 pupils who completed their SATs tests this week. They have worked incredibly hard and their attitude towards the tests has been exemplary! They enjoyed their celebration of a fire and s'mores in forest school this morning.



Could you help with our Careers Afternoon?

We are hosting our third Careers Afternoon on the 12th June and would love to showcase a variety of career paths to our Year 4, 5, and 6 children.

If you are available to come and talk to the children about your current or past career, please register your interest via the form below:

<https://forms.gle/n6r1ziTuUTUUQspt6>

Your participation helps make this a fantastic and memorable experience for our pupils!





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TALKING FAMILIES

FREE COURSES for PARENTS



Mondays, 8.00 to 9.30pm (Course ID 833)
1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th June & 6th July 2026

Wednesdays, 9.45 to 11.15am (Course ID 832)
3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th June, 1st & 8th July 2026

6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children under 12, sharing tips on how to:

- Manage challenging behaviour with consistency
- Encourage positive behaviour
- Build your child's self esteem
- Set and maintain boundaries
- Respond to tantrums and difficult feelings in children
- Develop a strong parent/child relationship now and for the future

Booking essential

To check eligibility and book a place, contact Supporting Links on:

07512 709 556

bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk

Please include your phone number as we cannot book a place without speaking to you.

UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY IN CHILDREN 2-DAY COURSE

TO HELP YOU SUPPORT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO MAY BE EXPERIENCING ANXIETY

A FREE COURSE FOR PARENTS/CARERS

- TO UNDERSTAND THE CAUSES OF ANXIETY
- UNDERSTAND PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS AND HOW THEY MAY PRESENT IN CHILDREN
- STRATEGIES TO HELP A CHILD MANAGE THEIR STRESS AND BUILD RESILIENCE

DATES: Tuesdays 2nd & 9th June 2026.
Participants must be able to attend both sessions

TIME: 9:30-11:30am

VENUE: Online via MStems

To book a place, please use the QR code or go to: <https://forms.office.com/e/54WCpa4xZ5>

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Clubs for this half term

Please see a summary below of the school organised and external clubs that are running this half term:

	Organised by school 3.15-4.15pm No charge Booked via Arbor & queries to school office	Organised by external providers Check sign up details, times and prices for each club
Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics Club – Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 • Get Creative Club – Reception, Y1 & Y2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tetra Sports Football Club for Yr 1 & 2 – details here or https://tetrasports.magicbooking.co.uk/
Tues		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chess Club – for Y2-Y6 Contact Zahra Jaufarally @ Kings and Queens Chess Club admin@kingsandqueenschess.co.uk 07900 048446 or sign up here
Weds		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tetra Sports Football Club for all KS2 – details here or https://tetrasports.magicbooking.co.uk/
Thurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework Club – Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, & Y6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone Cooks for Y1-Y6 Contact Louise Penn on 07946 303 213 or louise@everyonecooks.co.uk (see below)
Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Musicals Club - Y3, Y4, Y5, & Y6 	

All clubs must be booked in advance. Please contact the school office if you have any questions - 01707 375518



All National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS

YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of YouTube which offers a colourful and easy-to-navigate environment that's suitable for young children. This app is easily accessible and available for mobile devices, which can be downloaded without needing the YouTube app on the device. Despite YouTube Kids seeming like a very child-friendly platform, it has raised concerns over its advertising and inappropriate content seeping through the curation process.

- 1** Download the YouTube Kids app and connect your own YouTube channel.
- 2** Input your child's name, age and birth month.
- 3** Select the types of videos you want to include for your child based on their age and your own personal choice.
- 4** If you decide to approve the content yourself, the app will present you with sample videos for you to accept and reject.
- 5** Once you've made your choice, you're ready to use the app!

Advice for Parents & Carers

REMOVE ADVERTISEMENTS

Like YouTube, adverts on YouTube Kids are also quite pervasive. If you decide you don't want your child being exposed to adverts, you can subscribe to YouTube Premium which will remove adverts on YouTube Kids. However, it's worth remembering that this doesn't block adverts that content creators decide to make as part of their content, and children are still able to access channels from branded fast food or toy companies.

BE WARY OF UNSUITABLE CONTENT

YouTube Kids has a far lower chance of showing unsuitable material than YouTube, but there are still reports of malicious users deliberately uploading inappropriate content. It's important that your child feels able to talk to you if they were ever exposed to upsetting content in the future. It's also safest to report inappropriate videos: tap the three dots in the corner of the video and select 'Report'.

DISABLE SEARCH OPTION

YouTube Kids allows you to disable the search feature, which you may find useful in preventing your child from unintentionally finding age-inappropriate content. Doing this will also give you more control over what your child is watching. It's also worth noting that setting an age limit will ensure that your child is only exposed to recommended videos that are deemed suitable for their age group.

RESTRICT VIEWING TIME

The YouTube Kids app provides you with the option of setting up a timer to monitor and limit your child's daily usage, which automatically stops the video when it reaches the set time. It may be best to make use of this feature to prevent screen addiction - which can potentially lead to children staying up too late, affecting their mood and concentration the following day.

MONITOR WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has also made it possible for parents and carers to see what their children are watching on the app by clicking on the 'Recommended' icon on the top right of the home screen. It may also be worth having a look at what your child has recently watched by clicking on their history tab. The red bar on the video shows how much of the video has been watched.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for your child. This may require spending time finding channels and content that you and your child will enjoy and benefit from. Try introducing family sessions where you can share the most enjoyable videos that you and your child have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you and your child many new things to talk about with each other.

Meet Our Expert

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