



Broomhill Primary School February 2024 Newsletter

Safer Internet ~ Parent/Carer Survey

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote safer and more responsible use of online technology and mobile phones, particularly among children and young people.

From a very early age we teach children about being a good friend and citizen. At school they are encouraged to show respect and kindness to others. Yet, we see some children and young people forgetting these values when they go online through a mobile device, PC or games console.

This is compounded by the fact that many children are accessing sites that are aimed at older people, including Whatsapp (16+) and TicTok (13+), usually without adult supervision. In school we see the detrimental effect of this internet activity on children's mental health and peer relations.

The aim of the Safer Internet campaign is to encourage everyone to consider and support children's rights and responsibilities when social networking and gaming online.

Broomhill Primary School participated in this important safety event through **class lessons** designed to get children thinking about how we can help make online networking and gaming safe.

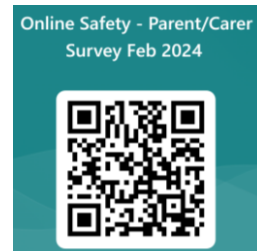


Our monthly **Online Safety Newsletter** accompanies this newsletter with spotlights on

Playstation, Youtube, Snapchat, age limits and parental controls. We ask that you take time to discuss relevant aspects with your child/ren. Previous editions are on our website - [here](#).

A **Social Media Statement** is on page 2 of this newsletter and on our **website** - [click here](#).

Also, to help us provide relevant Internet Safety learning for families we ask that parents take time to complete our **Online Safety Survey** by clicking on the following link or scanning the QR code:
<https://forms.office.com/e/K8tVqNGG4i>



Finally, parents can access a wide range of **online information and advice** on strategies for dealing with online gaming and social networking from the following websites:

www.saferinternet.org.uk
www.childnet.com
www.ceop.gov.uk
www.thinkyouknow.co.uk



Please contact the school if you require any further information on internet safety.

Happy Chinese New Year

祝所有同学和家人2024新春快乐

Happy New Year to all our pupils, families and school partners who celebrated the festival on 10 February. 2024 is the Year of the Dragon. We hope everyone had a wonderful day and we wish you a happy and successful New Year.



Non-uniform Day

Friday 23 February 2024

All children are invited to donate £1 and come to school wearing casual clothes. The money raised will fund two new wall-mounted basketball nets for the playground.



Social Media Statement

At Broomhill Primary School, we are aware of the benefits of social media tools and value them as forms of communication. We are also very mindful that some forms of social media are open to many forms of abuse, including cyberbullying and grooming.

As such, **we do not expect our pupils to be accessing social media platforms such as WhatsApp, Facebook, Snapchat, TikTok etc and appreciate your cooperation and understanding.** As ever, our primary concern is for the safety of your child in this matter. Whilst we know that many children in our school are accessing these platforms, we would ask you to reconsider the appropriateness of this. Most social media platforms have a minimum age of 13. The minimum age for WhatsApp is 16. These age restrictions are set to protect your child from abuse, bullying and bystanding whilst online. See further information below.

We know that all families have different values and views, and it is therefore difficult to make decisions that will please everybody. Nonetheless we feel that it is not acceptable for anyone to use social media platforms to make negative statements about children, parents or members of staff. We greatly appreciate you informing us of any groups or individuals who use social media platforms to target children, other parents or staff members so that we can take any necessary action. We recognise that the majority of our school community use social media in a sensible and appropriate way and are very grateful.

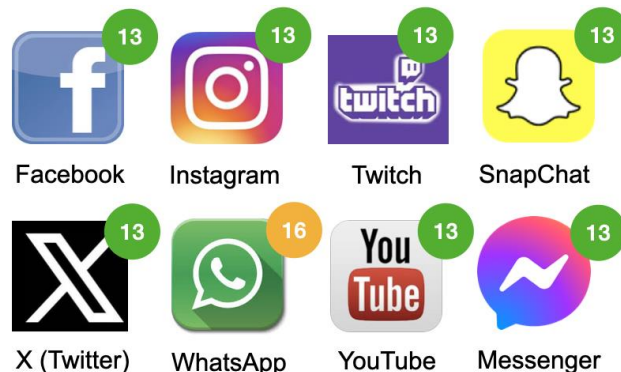
We believe that the opinions of all members of our school community are extremely useful in helping us to improve your child's education. Therefore, we invite you to use the correct channels to make contact with school so that any matters can be discussed in the most appropriate way. You can get in touch with us by emailing the headteacher or a depute, phoning the school office or contacting the Parent Council.

Yours in partnership,

Wendy Cameron
Headteacher

Get to know Age Ratings

Age ratings are in place to help protect your child, so we thought we'd provide you with a little reminder of how important it is to check the age ratings of what your child is accessing online. Here are the age ratings of some of the more popular apps that young people are accessing.



Whether your child is viewing films, accessing apps, playing games online, using social media or downloading other apps – **check the age rating first** to see if your child is old enough. In addition, the likes of **PEGI includes content descriptors**, which will give you an indication of the type of content that your child might view e.g. violence, if accessing the app/game

Whilst age ratings do allow you to see if something may be appropriate for your child, it is also important to review the content yourself. This will allow you to make an informed decision as to whether it is suitable for your child to access and if it would be beneficial to apply further parental controls.

Further information Parent Zone have published this article about why age ratings matter:
<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/age-ratings>

Parent-Teacher Meeting

Invite to discuss your child's progress

Thursday 7th March, 5.30-8.30pm

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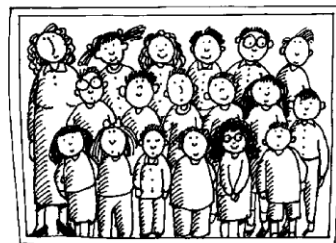
Tuesday 12th March, 3.30-6.30pm

A letter with booking details has been emailed to families and appointments will open 9am, Thursday 22 February. Please contact our school office if you require any assistance booking an appointment.

P1-P7 Class Photographs

Wednesday 17th April 2024

Pupils are required to be in their school **uniform**. Classes with PE on that day should bring their kit to change into.



CLASS PICTURE DAY IS COMING SOON!

Family Consultation

Should pupils be invited to dress up as a book character on World Book Day?

Our Pupil Forum invites families to give your views on whether Broomhill pupils should be invited to dress up as a book character on World Book Day, Thursday 7 March 2024.

Click on the following link or scan the QR code to give your views:

<https://forms.office.com/e/VaA05jCp0R>

Dressing up on World Book Day - family survey 2024



GREEN gourmet
In partnership with
WORLD BOOK DAY
7 MARCH 2024

Celebrate... World Book Day!

Menu

Shipwreck Soup

Storybook Stacker OR **Wonderland Wrap**

Chicken Burger in a bun
Halal Chicken Burger in a bun
Quorn Chicken Burger in a bun

Fish Goujons
Quorn Goujons

OR **Poetic Pasta**

Tomato Pasta
served with
Fairytale Fries, Vibrant Veggies & Scrumptious Side Salad

Curious Ice Cream Tub
Fabulous Fruit

ILLUSTRATED BY VIVIAN TRUONG

Don't forget to use your £1 book token to get a £1 World Book Day book for FREE!

Glasgow CITY COUNCIL

World Book Day – Thursday 7 March 2024 Book Themed School Lunch

To support World Book Day on Thursday 7 March 2024, Catering and Facilities Management, in conjunction with Green Gourmet, have created the above themed menu. The book themed menu items will be publicised via the ParentPay system for pre-selection. **Please note, the general and halal published menu items for this day will not be available.**

'Vikings! The Quest for the Dragon's Treasure' Scottish Opera at Broomhill Primary

Broomhill Primary was alive today with Viking warriors, sneaky sorcerers and wise villagers as Scottish Opera's Primary Schools Tour of *'Vikings! The Quest for the Dragon's Treasure'* delivered an exhilarating performance in school.



Our P6 pupils rehearsed the songs for 6 weeks and their hard work, flare and dedication paid off with sparkling performances and hearty applause from pupils and parents alike. The children were delighted to be singing with the wonderful performers from Scottish Opera, whose soaring voices and stagecraft were a real inspiration for the children. The exciting score and plot made for an enriching experience for the children, who will no doubt be singing the songs, humming the tunes and reminiscing excitedly about the show for a long time to come. Some are even planning a career in theatre!

Thank you so much to our P6 staff for preparing the children so well and to everyone at Scottish Opera for a wonderful day which brought so much joy to our children.

Thank you also to our Parent Council for providing funding for this wonderful P6 learning experience each year and to the whole school community for your generosity raising school funds.

