



Welcome back to you all. I hope you had an enjoyable Spring break.

It has been wonderful to see the children rush through the doors as the new Summer Term begins. Thank you, as ever, for your efforts in ensuring that they are on time, smart and in full summer uniform. We have a busy and exciting term ahead! Please do read our newsletters, ParentMails, Website, Facebook page, Twitter feeds for the latest information.

Thank you in anticipation for your support in this coming term.

Kind regards  
Mr Edmunds

### Hockey Team News

Our School Hockey team had a great start in the 2019 Medway Schools' Hockey League at Anchorians. They won their first two games in the league beating Cliffe Woods 1-0 and also St. Andrews 2-1.

The league continues on the 9th May when the team have a further four games and concludes on the 16th May with a final three games. Good luck Bryony!

Mr Johnson

Coming up next week ..

Monday 29th April - Parents of Year 2 - SATS Meeting at the Infant site, on Marshall Road, at 6 p.m.

Tuesday 30th April - MYG Tag Rugby at Anchorians

Wednesday 1st May - Night of Champions Netball Tournament at Rainham School for Girls

Thursday 2nd May - Year 5 Parents' Evening

- Year 4 visit to The Living Land at Detling

- Year 3 Quick Sticks Hockey at Anchorians

Saturday 4th May

- Juniors to the Women's F.A. Cup Final, Wembley

### Year 4 Racket Skills Festival

Ms Claxton and Mrs Atkins took Year 4 to the Medway Primary Skills Racket Festival. There were four skills stations and the children enjoyed trying Mini Tennis, Mini Squash, Badminton and Table Tennis.



Some pictures of the children in action .....



# Infant Leaders

The Infant school has 2 new leaders this term...**Bertie** and **Luke**! Well done boys on this super role of helping the teachers and their peers. A big thank you to **Shanna** and **Deborah** for their hard work as leaders last term.

Mrs Dyne and Mrs Paice



# Extra Curricular

A big well done to **Jamie** in Year 2 who achieved his 25 metre swimming badge and certificate.

We are very proud of you!

Mrs Dyne



# #Wake Up Wednesday

Dear Parents and Carers



As part of our commitment to online safety we would like to remind you that the National online Safety website created a campaign called #Wake Up Wednesday. The aim is to help schools and parents become more confident to understand and tackle online dangers. Each Wednesday they release a new resource, which could be a parent guide about a popular app or game that children are using, or a poster to help and encourage parents to talk about the digital world with their child.

Please follow the **Bryony School Twitter feed @SchoolBryony** or visit the National Online Safety Website: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>

Mrs Notley, Designated Safeguarding Lead

## Reminders for Year 2 Parents

SATs Meeting on Monday 29th April at 6.00 p.m. Marshall Road

Can your Year 2 child also bring into school any cardboard tubes i.e. kitchen roll, wrapping paper rolls (no toilet rolls please) for our art work on Monday 29th please.

## Staff Training this week

Staff INSET DAY (all teaching staff)  
KS1 SATs Administration Workshop (Mrs Dyne)  
Multi-Agency Early Years Briefing (Mrs Notley)

All National Online Safety web pages by encouraging parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to build an informed conversation about online safety with their children. About the guide: This guide focuses on one platform of many which we believe should be used by parents or Please visit [nationalonlinesafety.com](https://nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, facts and tips for adults.

Children are using smart devices from a much younger age than ever before. It's why it's essential we talk to our children about how to use them safely. There are so many positive benefits to the new technology at our disposal these days - however there are plenty of downsides too. As a parent, it's important you understand these risks and how you can take steps to protect your family against them.

- 1. PUT YOURSELF IN CONTROL**  
Make sure the parental control settings available to you. With most devices, you're able to choose the settings to control the content your child can access. The best default is to, as far as possible, limit parents' or guardians' access to the content that children can access, which only gives access to when you allow it.
- 2. PROTECTING ANDROID DEVICES**  
You can set up parental control on an Android device through a Google account. Open the settings menu, look for a 'log in and protect the family' option, then you can set a restricted user. After setting up a restricted user, you can select which applications your child is allowed to use. On an Android smartphone it's better, but first select 'Parental Control' in the app store.
- 3. PROTECTING APPLE DEVICES**  
For Apple devices, you can simply visit the preferences settings. Make sure you have 'Screen Time' turned on. Then you can set up a restricted user. There you can turn off any applications or features on your child's device that you do not want them to have access to.
- 4. THINK ABOUT ALL YOUR SMART DEVICES**  
As well as tablets and smartphones, you should think about any devices connected to the Internet - a game console, a smart TV, a personal computer. In each case you can usually find parental controls in the settings. This is usually done through account you have to allow your child, usually when it comes to accessing the Internet.
- 5. MAKE SEARCHING MUCH SAFER**  
Most search engines, such as Google's Bing, Yahoo, have a 'safe search' setting. You should activate this. Otherwise, it is important that you understand how to use the filters to restrict inappropriate and inappropriate results. Depending on the browser you're using, go to the settings and search for 'safe search'. Make sure you turn the thing on. It defaults each time you open the browser. This will certainly reduce the chance of your child being exposed to something they shouldn't be.
- 6. REGULARLY CHECK SOCIAL MEDIA SETTINGS**  
Before you allow your child to use social media, you should check their privacy settings. You should also understand you're able to control their profile and privacy settings and check these regularly. The companies behind social media platforms often make privacy changes without making it very obvious to the user, so be particularly watchful of all social media software.
- 7. DON'T LET PEOPLE SEE WHERE YOU ARE**  
Location software is useful for seeing where your child is, but it also provides the opportunity for others to locate your child too. It's a good idea to check location software on all devices on all your child's devices to turn it off. This is usually done through the account you have to allow your child, usually when it comes to accessing the Internet.
- 8. WATCH OUT FOR FAKE PROFILES**  
Sadly, social media presents an excellent opportunity for the likes of paedophiles to set up 'fake profiles' and interact with children. Here is a link to help you understand how to identify such profiles with social media and if you do not recognize a user as a friend, consider blocking them.
- 9. KEEP A CHECK ON SCREEN TIME**  
Managing how much time we spend on screens is a new challenge for us all. It's important to understand that screens, especially younger children who are still learning, can have a range of effects on their health. Consideration published by The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health suggests that children under 5 should not be using any form of screen time being used for 'TV'. It is helpful to set limits on screen time. 'Screen Time' statistics which you can find in the settings of certain devices.

Meet our expert  
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