

Newsletter

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The MOMO Challenge

The Momo Challenge has hit the news recently. At the moment it seems unclear whether parts of the information surrounding this are true or not. The following information was received by us this week from Maria Carrick who is the Education & Engagement Coordinator at the Local Policing Delivery Unit in Hampshire Constabulary:

Young children are unexpectedly being exposed to disturbing/distressing images and requests to contact MOMO having been being spliced into children's videos such as Peppa Pig and Fortnite videos on YouTube and KidsTube. Regardless of whether the MOMO Challenge is a hoax or not, it is so important that you continue to monitor or pre-watch videos and content your children are watching.

*NSPCC Response & Advice for Parents: A spokesperson for the NSPCC in Northern Ireland said: "The constantly evolving digital world means a steady influx of new apps and games can be hard for parents to keep track of. "That's why it's important for parents to talk regularly with children about these apps and games and the potential risks they can be exposed to. "The NSPCC publishes advice and guidance for parents on discussing overall online safety with their children, as well as promoting **Net Aware** - the UK's only parental guide to social media and gaming apps. Among the most common signs to watch out for include children who:*

Become very secretive, especially about what they are doing online

Are spending a lot of time on the internet and social media

Are switching screens on their device when approached

Are withdrawn or angry after using the internet or sending text messages

Have lots of new phone numbers or email addresses on their device

If parents are concerned or have any questions on how to approach the subject of internet safety with their children, they can contact the NSPCC Helpline on 0808 8005000 or visit the NSPCC website.

Children who are worried about their activity on apps or online games can contact Childline 24 hours a day, online and over the phone on 0800 1111. Of course you can also talk to us.

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| 1/3 | Staff Cake Sale 3.15pm |
| 4/3 | Book Week |
| 5/3 | Come and read with your child 9.00-9.30am |
| 6/3 | Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30pm crèche available |
| 7/3 | Author Visit |
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| 8/3 | Dress up as a Book Character |
| 9/3 | WISPA Disco's |
| 14/3 | Mole Class Assembly |
| 21/3 | Robin Class Assembly |
| 22/3 | Mole Class Cake Sale |
| 22/3 | WISPA Quiz Night |
| 28/3 | Owl Class Assembly |
| 29/3 | WISPA Mother's Day Sale |
| 29/3 | MAGS PM 2-3pm |
| 2/4 | Y1 Trip to Marwell Zoo |
| 4/4 | Squirrel Class Assembly |
| 4/4 | Break For Easter 3.15pm |
| 5/4 | Inset Day |
| 23/4 | Summer Term Begins 8.50am |

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Book Fair and entered our book bunting competition.

We received £560 to spend on books for our school Library.



Competition Winners

Medical Appointments

- If possible, please complete a Leave of Absence form, prior to the absence date
- Inform your class teacher of your child's collection time on the day of absence (either in person or via your communication book)
- Make routine appointments outside of school hours

SICKNESS & DIARRHOEA

If your child has been unwell due to sickness and diarrhoea, the NHS guidelines state that the absence period is 24-48 hours after the last episode of illness. Children may return to school if they have been clear of sickness or diarrhoea for 24 hours, they are eating and drinking as normal, and are well enough to be in school.

Space Workshop

The Year One Space Workshop was enjoyed by all involved. During the day we used our imaginations and went back in time to 1969. The children were taken through the event as it happened with the use of music and acting. All of the children were so engaged and we enjoyed learning facts about Neil Armstrong and the mission to the Moon! A great day had by all!

Governor News

Did you know...? Our Governing Body attend regular training to support the schools priorities. In the last year our governors have been to more than 20 sessions, and recently arranged a dedicated training focused on pupil wellbeing and how this links with attainment. The session was really useful and we explored ways for the Governing Body to better understand and monitor wellbeing as an everyday part of the school culture and our environment.

This term we had a visit from our Safeguarding Governor, who joined us for the NSPCC assembly, had a demonstration of our new reporting software and spot-checked our staff records, for compliance.

Debbie Biddell

Library Visits

Year 1 have enjoyed a trip to Yateley Library. During our session, we learnt many things about the services/resources they can provide. Did you know your child can borrow up to 30 books at a time?

Year 2 will be visiting next week.



What are we learning?

Year R



We had a very busy last half term learning all about dinosaurs – we now have quite a few 'experts' in Year R who can tell you some very interesting facts about different dinosaurs.

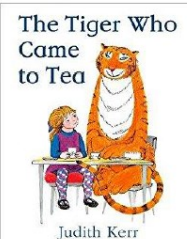
We have now started our new topic based on the book Supertato: we will be thinking of ways we can trap the Evil Pea and writing ideas of where he has been. We will also be making our own Supertato using different media. In maths we will continue to explore numbers up to 20 particularly the teen numbers. We will become more efficient in our counting by learning to 'count on' from a given number.

We are looking forward to exploring lots of new books during book week and seeing everyone dressed up as their favourite book character. Later this term we will take delivery of some more eggs and we again await to see what will hatch.....remember to ask your child all about them.

Year 1



We have had a very exciting start to our new topic 'Hooves, Paws and Trotters'. On Tuesday morning, we discovered some footprints in our classrooms leading to a box filled with animal things. We have spent some time investigating the box and introduced sorting animals by groups. We are looking forward to learning more about animals, designing and making our own sculpture of a chosen animal.



Year 2

We have started our new topic called 'Food Glorious Food'. This week we have been learning about lighthouses and their history. This will lead on to us using The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch story as a stimulus for writing and DT. We have been researching Grace Darling and have found out lots of facts about her life. In maths we have been learning to read scales, graphs and how to tell the time to quarter past and quarter to.

Telling Time





**EDUCATION
THROUGH
SPORT**

When booking breakfast / afterschool care on-line, please check you have entered the correct class for your child. SCL have lots of bookings where the class hasn't been updated from previous years, with some children now attending the juniors. This then causes confusion when they collect your child for SCL club.

Congratulations



| Name | Achievement |
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| Dylan Daniels | Stage 3 Duckling Swimming Award |
| Neve McCarron | Learn to Swim Stage 1 |
| Archie Hoile | 10m Swimming Certificate |
| Malachi Borland-Lockyer | Ice-Skating—Level 5 |
| Dylan Daniels | Stage 3 Duckling Swimming Certificate |
| Lottie Nicholls | Learn to Swim Stage 3 and Rainbow Swimming Award |
| Danny Miles | Man of the Match for Yateley United Football Team |