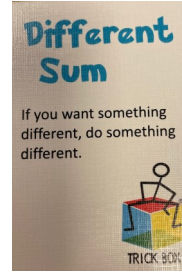
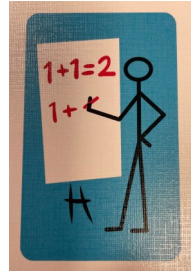


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THE SQUIRREL

Issue 29 Thursday 27th April 2023



I would like to begin by thanking Mr and Mrs Herbert and Mr Chipangura for helping with the beds in the Year 6 courtyard as part of our 'Queen's Garden' development. We have lots still to do and I would love it any families would like to support in the planning and development of the different areas around school. Please do let myself or Laura in the office know if you can help and we can arrange a little meeting to put a plan of action together.

This was then followed by our Year 4 children going off to Little Canada for the weekend. The children had a wonderful weekend and enjoyed all the activities. I popped in a couple of times over the weekend and they were enjoying a delicious meal or challenging themselves with an activity. Everyone was so excited to share their achievements. I would like to thank the Little Canada team who gave up their weekend to take the children to Little Canada. Without their support our adventures cannot happen, so thank you team. **We really appreciate you giving the children such a wonderful time. The weekend at Little Canada was really with which was nice so it is definitely an option for next year. Just a reminder, the Year 3 Little Canada meeting is booked for Tuesday 16th May in school at 5.30pm.**

Year 5 also had their first Watersports session at UKSA on Friday and loved it! The children did very well and are looking forward to their session this Friday. **Just a reminder that the session on Friday 5th May has been moved to Monday 12th June so that the children can join in with our Festival on the Field celebration for the King's Coronation.** A little more on this later.

From Year 5 to Year R who went on their own adventure down to the farm this week. The children had a marvellous time seeing all the different animals and having a cuddle or two with the lambs. I would like to thank Nettlecombe Farm for inviting our children to visit their farm and supporting the visit so brilliantly and for all the volunteers and team who went on the day (Miss Hopkinson had to smile when the children commented on the camels!)

Year 1 also successfully completed their first swimming session. For some of the children it can be very scary getting into the water for the first time, but they all overcame their worries and managed their first swimming session, which I hope will continue over the coming years so that they all become competent swimmers and enjoy the time in the water and the beach when the lovely weather arrives. Learning to swim could one day save a life.

Yesterday in school we had Jo Djora and Beruk Berhane from DCAT, who were carrying out their Due Diligence with the view of Lanesend Primary joining the Multi-Academy Trust. They then have to go back and do a report for their Trustees and the next steps will then be put into place. They will then send information out to families and a letter will also be sent from the Chair of Trustees. If the decision to join DCAT or another Trust takes place I had not realised that the school as we know it will close and then reopen as Lanesend Primary, a DCAT school or similar. It feels quite poignant that the school will close when I leave and reopen for a new adventure and it will be a new adventure. **Mrs Sutton is going to be in school on Monday 15th May and on Friday 19th May to carry out interviews for new teachers.** I have had a couple of resignations and once the interviews are completed I will let you know the changes that are occurring.

As we head into the May Bank Holiday weekend we are busy preparing for our first trip to the Quay Arts Centre with Year 3 on Tuesday 2nd May. We are going to shuttle our children on our minibuses so we do not have to pay for coaches, and the rest of the visit has been funded by The Arts Council, which we are extremely grateful for. Each year group will visit the Quay Arts Centre by the end of the school year.

Talking about the end of the school year, I have had a few families ask about teachers and Learning Support Assistants and it is too early to confirm arrangements as the deadline for resignations is the 31st May. As soon as this has passed and we return to school after the May/June break I will get the information out to you as soon as I can.

There is another strike day planned for Tuesday 2nd May but as always we will be fully open and operational. I have just had two lovely past children pop in from secondary school as they are on strike and it was so lovely to see them! Thank you Samara and Megan, I always love seeing the children and finding out how they are getting on and what their dreams and plans are. I am definitely going to miss this too.

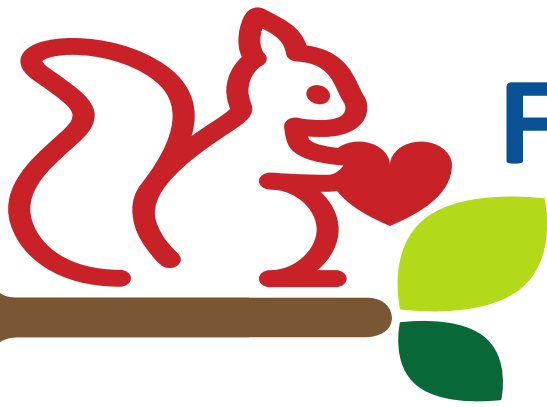
Next Thursday, it is our class photos in school and we are going to arrange a whole school photo before the end of term as a little memento of Lanesend under the 'Sicey leadership'. I often look at the one that we did when we moved to this site in 2012 so it will be lovely to have another one alongside.

I am sure that you would have received the email on Monday regarding the damage we suffered from visitors on site. The children and I are so upset that our trampolines have been burnt with cigarettes and we are now having to replace them due to the unnecessary vandalism. Please may I ask that all children, both young and old, do not enter the school site after hours. We have reported it to the Police and now that it has been reported as Criminal Damage it means that a prosecution can take place. I do not want this to happen, but I also do not want our lovely school to be broken and unusable for our children. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our stand-out school lovely.

Please can I also ask you to continue to park considerately. I wish I had a magic answer or the space and money to build a car park, but I have not, so it is important that we think about others. I have always said and continue to say, kindness changes the world; but it also changes somebody's day.

Next week in school, we have a visit from Springhill English Hub to review our Phonic programme that was implemented following our Ofsted visit and then on Friday (and I am going to say this very quietly), the weather at the moment looks dry, and we have our Coronation Festival in the Field. We have ordered everything and we are ready to go for a fun, community afternoon in celebration of King Charles III's Coronation. The cream teas have been ordered, the bunting is on its way and we have a special, exciting end to our celebration! I am so looking forward to the event with you all and hope it will be one that the children remember for a life time.

Enjoy the long weekend, the first of two in a row and two weeks of four days! *Caroline Sice, Headteacher*



FOR YOU

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We are closed Monday 1st May due to the May Bank Holiday. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary



Friday 28th April—Watersports—Year 5

Monday 1st May—School Closed—Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd May—Quay Arts Trip—Year 3

Wednesday 3rd May—Swimming Year 1

Thursday 4th May—Class Photos (all)

Friday 5th May—Festival in the Field—Coronation Celebration

Monday 8th May—School Closed—Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9th May—SATs—Year 6

Friday 12th May—Year 6 SATS treat



This week



Well done to Gryffindor House for their lead on our House Points

Lanesend Conversation Starters...

Use these prompts with your children at home to start a conversation about their week in school...

Reception— Talk to me about... Our farm trip, recount writing, patterns, numbers 11-20, ballet.

Words to use...Emu, peacock, sheep, horse, donkey, chicken, first, then, after that, finally, one more, order.

Tips for the week... P.E kits are needed Monday and Wednesday.

We have been reading... What the Ladybird Heard.

Year 1— Talk to me about....our D.T. project, planning our improved outdoor area.

Words to use... research, plan, design.

Tips for the week...help me practise telling the time to the hour and half an hour.

We have been reading.....The King's Pants

Year 2— Talk to me about ... last week using the past tense.

Words to use ...Last week, made, went, looked, walked, ran.

Tips for the week...Remember TTRockstars to help us with our multiplication.

We have been reading... The far away tree, the enchanted wish, the worst witch.



Year 3— TALK TO ME ABOUT... Partition of the whole in fractions

WORDS TO USE.. whole, part, total, add, difference

TIPS FOR THE WEEK...Always include feelings and thoughts when writing a diary entry

WE ARE READING... The Twits and The Legend of Sally Jones.

Year 4— We have been learning about the Victorian era in history, fieldwork in geography, adding and subtracting fractions in maths and writing our Little Canada recounts in literacy.

Top of the week, if the denominator is the same on the fractions you are adding or subtracting, simply add or subtract the numerators. The denominator stays the same.

We have behind reading 'The Silver Spoon of Solomon Snow' by Kaye Umansky, as well as extracts from Roald Dahl stories.

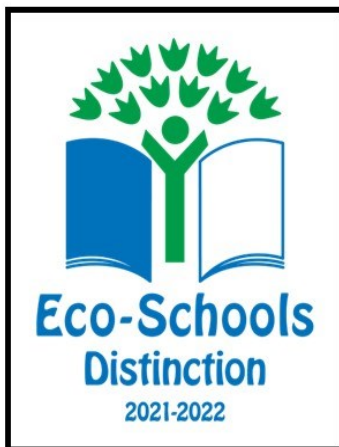
Year 5— Talk to me about... surrealism and the art work of Salvador Dali.

Words to use... surreal, abstract, form, shape, foreground, background, soft, dull.

Tips for the week... To interpret a line graph accurately, use a ruler to draw lines from each axis to the line on the graph.

We have been reading... 'Secrets of A Sun King' by Emma Carroll





With the warmer weather surely just around the corner it might be a good idea to think about what to plant in your garden to help our bees.

Make a bee-friendly garden with these flowers



Lavender



Bluebell



Foxglove



Comfrey



They are easy to pollinate and bees love them



Honeysuckle



Wood anemone



Greater knapweed



At 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

WIZZ

AGE RESTRICTION
12+

12+ App Store
Teen Google Playstore

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

OVER-SHARING

Immediately after setting up an account, users start receiving friend requests (mainly from the opposite gender). For many young people, this will be exciting and a boost to their confidence. As young people tend to be more trusting online and may believe what others tell them, however, this can lull them into dropping their guard and revealing personal information to strangers.

CATFISHING AND PREDATORS

Wizz uses Yoti, a digital ID system, to verify users' age. The AI only detects approximate age, though – so an older person who looks younger could be grouped with teens (or vice versa). Also, profile pics on Wizz don't have to match the face of the person who did the initial age verification: it would be fairly easy to create a fake account using another person's photos with a made-up name and age.

EXPLICIT CONTENT

During our research, conversations on Wizz very quickly turned sexual. Users frequently suggested 'taking it to Snap' (Snapchat's disappearing image feature can make it conducive to sharing explicit selfies), connecting on other social media, swapping nude or semi-nude pictures, or holding sexual chats. These users created an impression of the platform being sleazy and unsafe for young people.

Wizz is a networking app which allows users to connect and chat with other people around the world. Its principle is similar to a dating platform: users have a profile with up to three photos, along with optional interests and hobbies tags. This allows other like-minded people to be recommended in searches. If a user likes what they see on someone's profile, they can initiate conversation through the instant message feature; otherwise they swipe on. The app does use age verification technology when an account is created and groups users by age.

INTIMATE IMAGES

It's not unheard of for young people to be coaxed into sending suggestive images of themselves over apps of this kind. Given that Wizz connects users with strangers, who may not be honest about their real intentions, a teenager might conceivably be persuaded to share sexually suggestive selfies by someone who they believed they had a trusting relationship with.

NO PARENTAL CONTROLS

The app claims to provide a secure and inclusive environment, but our researcher couldn't find any parental controls or safety features in evidence. If you report another user for inappropriate behaviour, you are offered the option to block them – but there's no indication as to whether the block has actually been successful, and there was no follow-up contact from the developers.

SECRETS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Wizz sent our researcher occasional 'mystery' friend requests from a blurred-out profile. To discover the sender's identity, users can either watch a video (usually an ad for a game or app) or take out a monthly subscription. Cynics might suggest this could be a way to exploit young people's curiosity into making them pay for the app, and that the 'secret admirers' are bots rather than real people.

Advice for Parents & Carers

TALK IT OUT

If your child has downloaded Wizz, talk to them about why they like it and who've chatted with. Have they shared any personal details with this person or connected with them on other social media platforms? Refresh your child's memory of the various risks that can arise from engaging with strangers online and get them to consider using a similar app with more robust safety features.

BE SUPPORTIVE

When connecting with strangers on apps like Wizz, seemingly innocent chats can quickly progress to become sexually explicit and lead to nudes being sent. Make sure your child knows to come to you if they're uncomfortable about anything they've been sent or been asked to send. If they've already shared something that they now regret, reassure them that you'll support them no matter what.

EMPHASISE CAUTION

Young people are far more inclined to see the good in others; they often overlook the fact that scammers set up fake accounts on apps like this with the intention of getting money or personal data. Remind them that not everyone online is who they claim to be, how easy it is for someone to create a bogus profile, and why it's vital to think twice about sharing anything on networking apps.

KEEP THINGS TRANSPARENT

It might feel awkward, but regular chats about your child's online life can be beneficial. If they seem suddenly anxious or secretive around their phone or tablet, they may have something they need to get off their chest. You could also consider not allowing digital devices in their bedroom, especially overnight – that's when a lot of the riskier conversations on apps like Wizz tend to take place.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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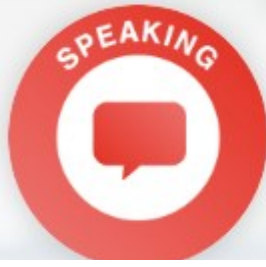
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SKILL OF THE MONTH



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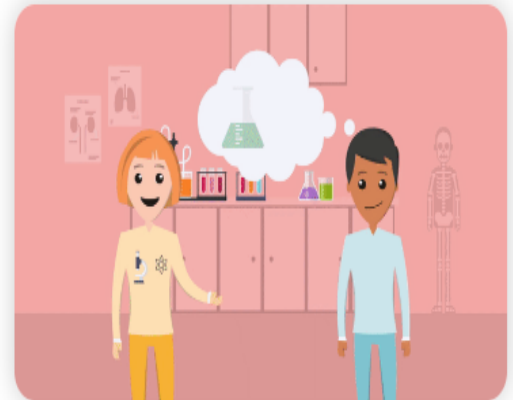
The oral transmission of information or ideas



Talk

Talk about when you have to speak to people you know and maybe new people who you don't know:

- Who do you speak to each day?
- Why do you speak to them?
- Why is it important you speak clearly to them?
- What is different when you speak to more than one person?



Skill of the month... SPEAKING

<https://www.skillsbuilder.org/homezone/speaking-getting-started>

**We are currently top of the
leader board for Schools
Walk— Walk The Wight.**




Schools Walk the Wight Leaderboard

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JUNIOR NETBALL

SKILLS FITNESS FRIENDS Fun

Isle of Wight Netball Clubs are welcoming new junior members!

Clubs offer training and competitive matches in the Junior Isle of Wight league on Sundays at Seaclose Park, Newport.

GET IN TOUCH!

Solent Netball Club
Contact **Chris Grimes** 07969504734, cmg1504@gmail.com

Tuesday Ryde Academy	BEE Netball Years 1-6 5.30pm - 6.30pm	Years 7-10 6pm - 7pm
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Shorwell Netball Club
Contact **Ann Selby** 07785750265, easelby47@gmail.com

Monday Ryde School (winter) Seaclose Park (summer)	Years 3-7 5.30pm - 6.30pm	Years 7-10 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Additional Sessions Years 3-10	Wednesday Seaclose Park 5.30pm - 6.30pm	Saturday Ryde Academy 10.30am - 11.30am

Classorama

Naturezones' Creative Programme for Schools

For the entire class or individual pupils

Recycalogical Sat 27th and Sun 28th May & Spring Competition

Create a piece of art work with a 2D or 3D element inspired by British nature using recycled materials. To be displayed during Recycalogical
Materials used could be old furniture, plastic, old clothes etc.
Entries must be delivered to Naturezones
On 23rd & 25th May between 10.30 and 4pm

Summer Competition

Using your knowledge from science lessons create something to inform our visitors about Native British plants.

Entries should be submitted by
5th July

Christmas Tree Festival

Imaginatively decorate a Christmas tree

To be displayed in the Naturezones Pavilion

On the 16th & 17th December

Deliver on Tuesday 12th or Thursday 14th Dec

More Info:

Details of the Spring and Summer competition can be found on our website.

www.naturezones.org.uk

Naturezones is based at
Birchmore Lane, Blackwater.
PO30 3BP

Postal entries: c/o Padmore
Lodge, Beatrice Avenue, East
Cowes, PO32 6LP



Recycalogical

27th—28th May 11 am—3pm

Naturezones—Blackwater

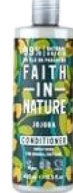
COMPETITION

View the winners of the
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car-share, cycle, park and stride/walk from Shide or Merstone
(small carpark)



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NATUREZONES SPRING COMPETITION

Naturezones Wildlife Education Trust (NWET) is a ten acre wildlife field study centre and a Living Natural History Museum in Blackwater. It is a "not for profit" organisation dedicated to educating visitors in the importance of sustaining and creating wildlife habitats as part of the Island's ecology; increasing Biodiversity and nurturing the environment.

Your mission:

Create a piece of artwork with a 2D or 3D element
inspired by British nature.

You may wish to submit a photograph of art
created using recycled materials.

3 prizes, one each
for the most
informative piece of
writing the greatest
increase in effort
shown, and for the
most learnt while
completing the
mission



What aspect of nature
will inspire you?

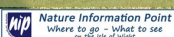
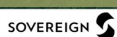


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Please nominate a pupil for each of our 'effort shown' and 'most learnt' prizes. Ensure all entries
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