



Newsletter—4th July 2025

TEAM OF THE WEEK!

This week's Team of the Week are:



P16: Isabelle, Indi, William

KS4: Aiden S, George, Callum, Francesca, Leo,

KS3: Finley, Devon, Ceza, Ellen, Oliver C, Xander, Jacob M

Primary: Oliver J, Khiros, Bella, Cheyenne, Henry

Creative Arts: Amelia-Rose

Duke of Edinburgh: Silver Award: Liam H, Liam W, Grace G.

Bronze Award: Ethan, Callum, Elijah, Alex D, Honey.

DofE Sections: Jake R (Physical & Volunteering) Maisie, Kai (Physical, Skills and Volunteering)

DATES FOR THE DIARY:



Saturday 5th July - Summer

Fayre 10am-1pm

Tuesday 8th July—Sport's Day 10am –12:30pm

Friday 11th July— Leaver's Ball

Friday 18th July—Leaver's Assembly

Tuesday 22nd July—End of Term 6

Monday 1st September— last day of holidays

Tuesday 2nd September—Inservice Day

Wednesday 3rd September—Inservice Day

Thursday 4th September—Inservice Day

Friday 5th September—Inservice Day

Monday 8th September— Start of term 1

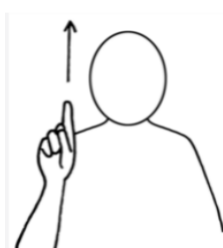
SIGNS OF THE WEEK—

Moving up and transitions

Moving



Up



Day



Transitions



JOIN US FOR OUR
Summer Fayre
SATURDAY 5TH JULY
10AM TO 1PM



Join us for lots of fun
including
BBQ • Refreshments •
Teddy Lucky Dip •
Skittles •
Games • Face Painting
• Raffle
and much much more!

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ACTIVITIES WEEK

Next week will be our activities week which is always a fun week to celebrate the end of term:



Monday 7th July- Charity Day

Each class has planned a different activity to raise money for our amazing friends at Springboard Nursery. Please ensure you get any sponsorship monies in to support this great charity.

Tuesday 8th July- Sports' Day

Sports day will be held on Tuesday 8th July 10am-12:30pm. Parents and carers are welcome to come and support. Please arrive between 9.30-10am. Please note that parents/carers are asked to bring your own chairs/blankets, the PFA will be offering refreshments, please bring cash if you would like to purchase anything.



Pupils can come into school on the day wearing their PE kit. Please ensure your child has sun cream on, hats, bottle of drink and jumpers if the weather is cooler.

Wednesday 9th July-Ambassador's Trip

Our School Ambassadors have helped to plan a fun trip for all of secondary and Post 16 students to go to the Bristol Zoo Project for the day.

Primary students will be treated to a number of bouncy castles and a visit from the ice cream van.

Thursday 10th July-Splash Afternoon

Weather permitting, we will be having our splash afternoon, please ensure that if you would like your child to take part that they bring a spare pair of clothes to wear and a towel so they can get changed for this event.

Friday 11th July-Eco DAB Day

Our Heads of Departments have been joined by Holly and our Eco School Council to create a fun day for the whole school to learn about how we can make the world a better place.

Friday 11th July, is our final DAB day this year, which we are linking with Eco Schools! Holly Atkins and the wonderful School Council have gathered ideas for us to deliver on this day that further our thinking about the part we play in helping look after the environment. This will include making bug/butterfly houses for a new butterfly garden, sharing sensory stories in the library reading and exploring eco friendly books, as well as a recycled fashion show in the hall, which involves choosing an adult model to use repurposed clothes/material to make an out-

The pupils will be learning much about looking after the environment and nature, how to care and look after them all, as well as the important of caring for our environment. We are really looking forward to sharing this day with you all and having lots of fun too!



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DUCK CLASS NEWS

Duck Class have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the ocean this term and love their sensory story, 'Smiley Shark.' They have done some wonderful singing, dancing and music making with the incredible Miss Simpson in Creative Arts and have enjoyed time at the local park too! Along with this, all of the Ducks also had a fantastic time exploring their new classroom for September! Great job,



OWL CLASS NEWS

Owls have enjoyed learning about Dinosaurs this term, particularly in our Sensory story of 'Harry and his bucketful of dinosaurs'. They have worked hard to plant and look after sunflowers and strawberry plants, enjoying tasting strawberries too! Additionally they have practised for Sports Day in PE lessons, working hard to learn each activity. The wet sponge relay is a favourite!



KINGFISHER CLASS NEWS

Kingfishers have been learning all about food this term! We have also been learning about money and applied our learning into real life as we went to the shops to buy our ingredients for DT. Kingfishers have enjoyed following instructions to make a fruit salad, sandwiches and pizzas so far. We look forward to making some more yummy recipes this term.





At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS

YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

BE WARY OF ADVERTISING

Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE

YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED

YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or tweak these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION

There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

DATA COLLECTION RISK

While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.

SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.

CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon at the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been viewing, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you all gather around and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.

Meet Our Expert

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