School Office Friday Update

REMINDERS FOR THE WEEKS AHEAD	
Monday 8th January	• School reopens for the Spring Term • Qualitas Club after school – KS2 Fitness – *use ParentPay to book*
Tuesday 9th January	• Qualitas Club after school – KS1 Fitness - *use ParentPay to book*
Wednesday 10th January	• Qualitas Club after school – KS2 Dodgeball - *use ParentPay to book*
Thursday 11th January	• Little Smiles Parent and Toddler Group 9-10.30am • **No swimming this week**
Friday 12th January	• **No Forest Schools**
Monday 15th January	• Qualitas Club after school - KS2 Fitness – *use ParentPay to book*
Tuesday 16th January	• Qualitas Club after school - KS2 Fitness – *use ParentPay to book*
Wednesday 17th January	• Bikeability – Level 2 for Year 6 – Group 1 • Qualitas Club after school - KS2 Fitness – *use ParentPay to book*
Thursday 18th January	• Bikeabilty – Level 2 for Year 6 – Group 1 • Little Smiles Parent and Toddler Group 9–10.30am • **Class 3 swimming**
Friday 19th January	• Bikeability – Level 2 for Year 6 – Group 2 • **Year 3 Forest Schools - PM**

Other news:

- **School Car Park** – From the New Year we are reintroducing closing the car park gates between 8.30am and 9.00am and 3.00pm and 3.30pm following feedback from parents and to ensure the safety of all children. **PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE ONTO FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO HELP WITH BRINGING YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL**
- A reminder that the school car park and the entrance to it must not be used for dropping off or collecting children at the start and end of the school day unless previously arranged.
- **Please ensure all outstanding balances on ParentPay are cleared before the end of term.**
- The 4 Derbyshire Dales Leisure Centre's are running a HAF programme during the first week of January for pupils entitled to income related Free School Meals. Please visit bookings.itsaboutmederbyshire.co.uk/list for further information and to books.

Please do not hesitate to contact us on 01629 56813 or by email enquiries@st-giles-matlock.derbyshire.sch.uk with any questions or queries.

Friday updates can be found in the Newsletters section of our school website.

FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Monday 8th January	**SCHOOL REOPENS FOR THE SPRING TERM**
Thursday 18th January	CLASS 3 FIRST SWIMMING OF THE YEAR
Friday 19th January	FOREST SCHOOLS for YEAR 3 - PM
Tuesday 6th February	After School Football – St Giles v South Darley
Friday 16th February	LAST DAY OF TERM
Wednesday 24th January	Bikeability Level 2 for Y6 – Group 2
Monday 26th February	**INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**
Tuesday 27th February	SCHOOL REOPENS
Tuesday 5th March	After School Football – St Giles v Darley Churchtown
Monday 11th March	STAY AND PLAY - CLASS 1 AND 2 - 2.45PM-3.15PM
Wednesday 13th March	BOOK LOOK - CLASS 3 AND 4 - 3.15PM-3.45PM
Thursday 28th March	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BEFORE SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER
Monday 15th April	SCHOOL REOPENS FOR THE SUMMER TERM
Friday 24th May	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BEFORE SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM
Monday 3rd June	SCHOOL REOPENS
Monday 17th June	**INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
Tuesday 23rd July	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BEFORE SUMMER BREAK NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB


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AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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 platforms which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalcollege.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about DISNEY+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

The Walt Disney Company's streaming service, Disney+ combines entertainment from the famous animation studio itself with Pixar, Star and National Geographic, plus the Marvel and Star Wars franchises. With access to the latest releases, Disney classics and original series, there's plenty of content to explore. While parents may have noted that adverts have now been introduced on some versions of the service, the platform is – unsurprisingly for a Disney product – designed to be appropriate for the whole family.

LESS SUITABLE CONTENT

While Disney+ is predominantly family friendly, there are some movies and shows in its library which are aimed at an older audience: these may scare younger ones or contain themes or language that you'd rather your child wasn't exposed to. You could avoid such situations by enabling Junior Mode (see 'Adjust content settings', below) or specifying a content age rating for your child's profile.

BINGE WATCHING

With the option to view content on any internet-enabled device and a growing catalogue of movies, cartoons and documentaries, Disney+ can make managing screen time difficult. This could result in children binge watching content, distracting them from activities like homework or socialising. Too much screen time has also been shown to negatively impact mood, sleep patterns and weight.

PHISHING EMAILS

Be especially cautious if you receive emails or text messages purporting to be from Disney+. There have been numerous reports of online scammers impersonating Disney+ staff in an attempt to gain access to subscribers' personal information. Disney+ states it will never email or call customers asking for their payment details, their private information or their password.

ENCROACHING ADVERTS

Disney+ has introduced a new subscription package – Disney+ Standard with Ads – which plays commercials before movies and during shows (like many TV channels). There are no adverts in Junior Mode, but profiles with a content rating of 8+ years will see ads appropriate for that age category. Adults who give consent will see personalised adverts based on their location and viewing history.

ACCESSING ADULTS' PROFILES

If adults don't set a PIN for their profile, children could access it and encounter content which isn't age appropriate. In the settings, Junior Mode has a toggle titled 'Kid-Proof Exit' which requires the user to read four words (numbers, spelled out) and enter them to switch profiles. For older children who can read, though, this isn't secure enough – so using a PIN for adult profiles is recommended.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ADJUST CONTENT SETTINGS

When setting up an account, there's an option to create profiles in what's called Junior Mode. This generally covers material that's suitable for children up to age 8 and is therefore fairly limited. You can give older children a wider choice of viewing by building a standard profile, then going into the settings and choosing a content rating from one of the pre-set alternatives: 8+, 9+, 12+ or 14+.

ADD PIN PROTECTION

Disney+ enables you to effectively lock profiles behind a four-digit PIN. In particular, some of the shows on the platform's Star content hub are far more oriented to adults (including several hard-hitting dramas from US networks), so protecting parents' or older siblings' profiles with a PIN will help to prevent younger children stumbling across material which isn't intended for them.

TURN OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a cartoon, show or movie finishes, Disney+ uses algorithms to identify content with similar themes, which it thinks your child will also enjoy. This suggestion will then automatically begin to play by default. There's an option to turn off this auto-play function in the profile settings, which will encourage your child to take a break from the screen and move on to a different activity.

ENJOY AS A FAMILY

When your child watches a movie or show on Disney+ for the first time, you may want to sit with them to ensure it's suitable. You could do the same when introducing them to older films that you haven't seen for years: your perception of what's appropriate has very probably changed, and some of the language and attitudes in movies from your own childhood may seem quite shocking today.

Meet Our Expert



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