# Welcome to Year Two

Meet the Team

Pine Class and Oak Class

Miss Smith, Mr Ablett, Mrs Kay-Bradley and Mrs Langsdon

#### Year 2 Team



Jordan Ablett
Class Teacher



Jo Smith Class Teacher



Caz Langsdon
Higher Level
Teaching
Assistant



Samantha Kay-Bradley Teaching Assistant

### Who's Who

<u>Oak</u>

Miss Smith

Mrs Langsdon

<u>Pine</u>

Mr Ablett

Mrs Kay-Bradley

Mrs Brookes and Mr Miles (Music)

Stewart and Laura (PE)

Mrs Pearman (Forest School)

Mrs Smith (Art)

## Highlights of Year Two

- Baking buns, dairy free
- Fire of London
- The Nativity
- Deal Castle
- Creepy Crawly visit
- St Lucia topic



### Curriculum

### <u>Topic</u>

- Our Local area
- London
- Perfect Pets
- Dragons
- Caribbean Adventures
- Magical Adventures

### **Trips and Visitors**

- Visit Bridge church 22<sup>nd</sup>
   September
- Buffy stained glass windows 25<sup>th</sup> September
- Walk around Bridge 30<sup>th</sup> September
- Visit to the Mosque Term 3
- Deal Castle Term 4
- Creepy crawly man 12<sup>th</sup> January
- St Lucia Day in school 20<sup>th</sup> April

### Arbor

 Please check consents for photos, medical and local trips

 We do check dinner choices every day but please try and choose beforehand with your child



### Welcome to Arbor

### Curriculum

- Ongoing informal assessments to analyse needs, identify gaps and accelerate learning
- In the foundation subjects, i.e. Geography and History, there will be greater emphasis on the enquiry skills

### **English**

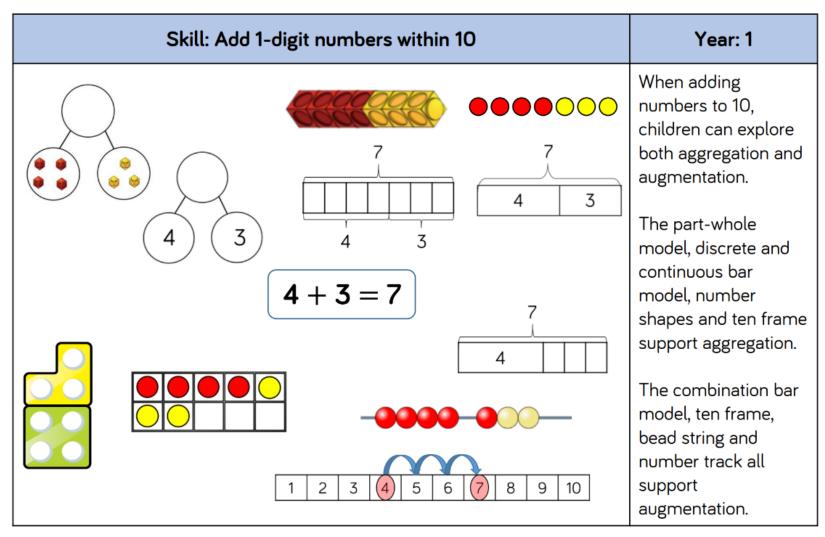
- Handwriting
- Reading
- Phonics & Spellings

### <u>Maths</u>

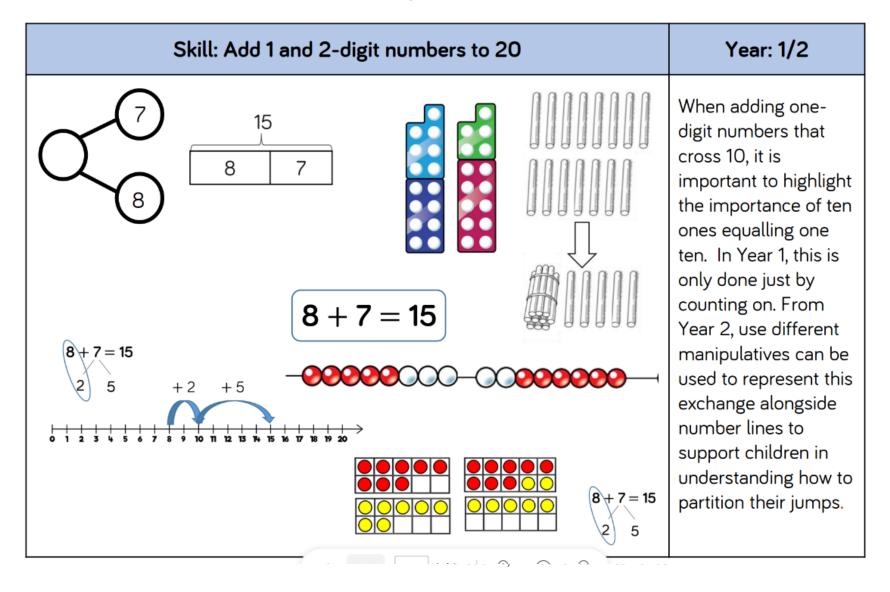
- Number & Place Value
- Counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s
- Calculations
- Fractions

## **Calculation Policy**

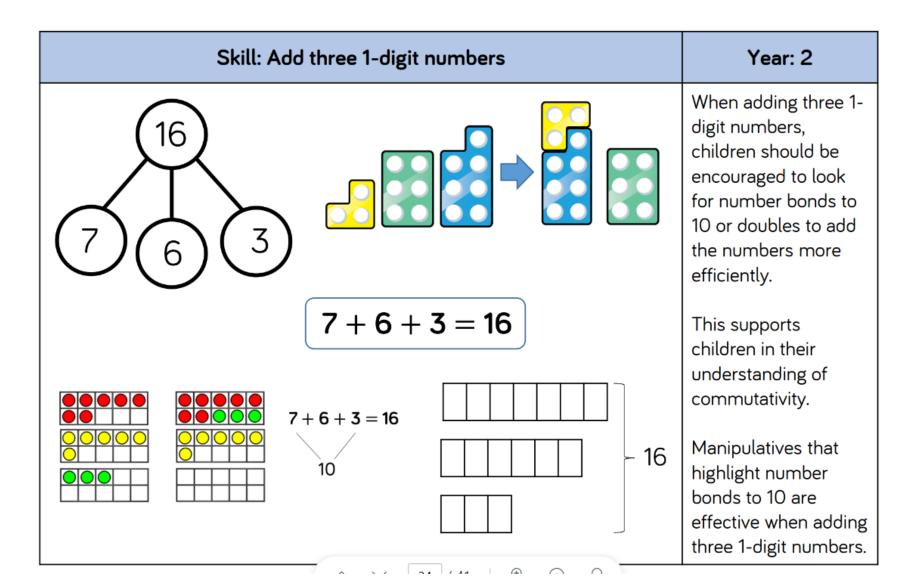
### Addition and Subtraction



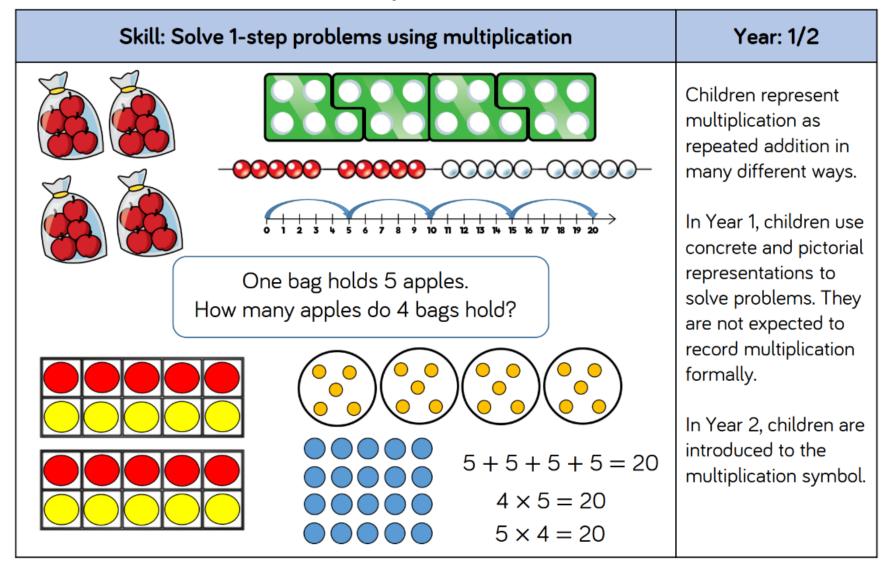
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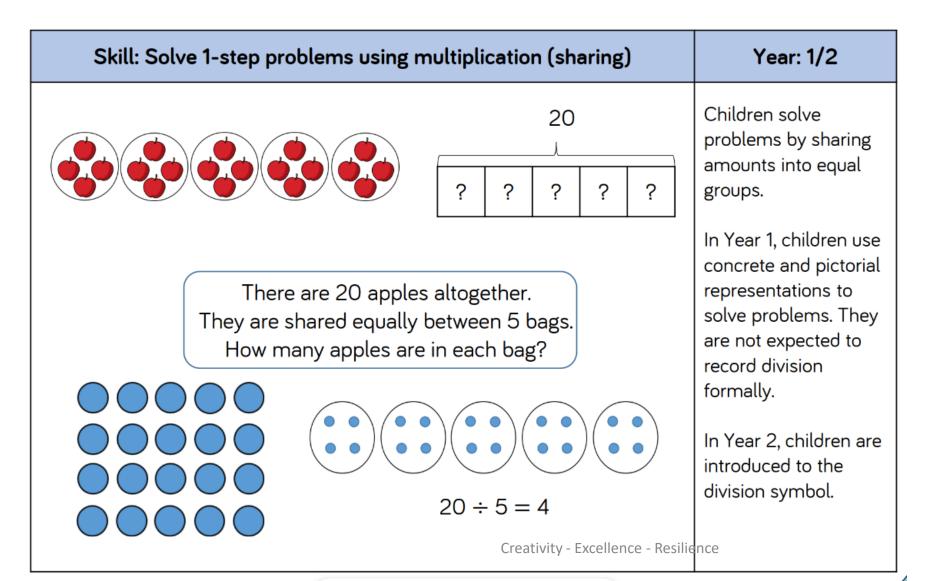
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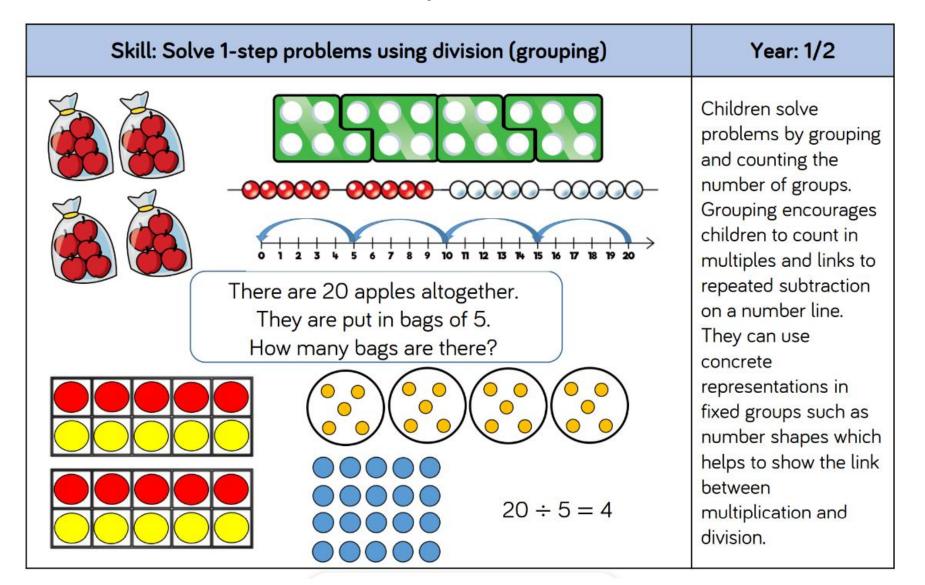
## Calculation Policy — Multiplication



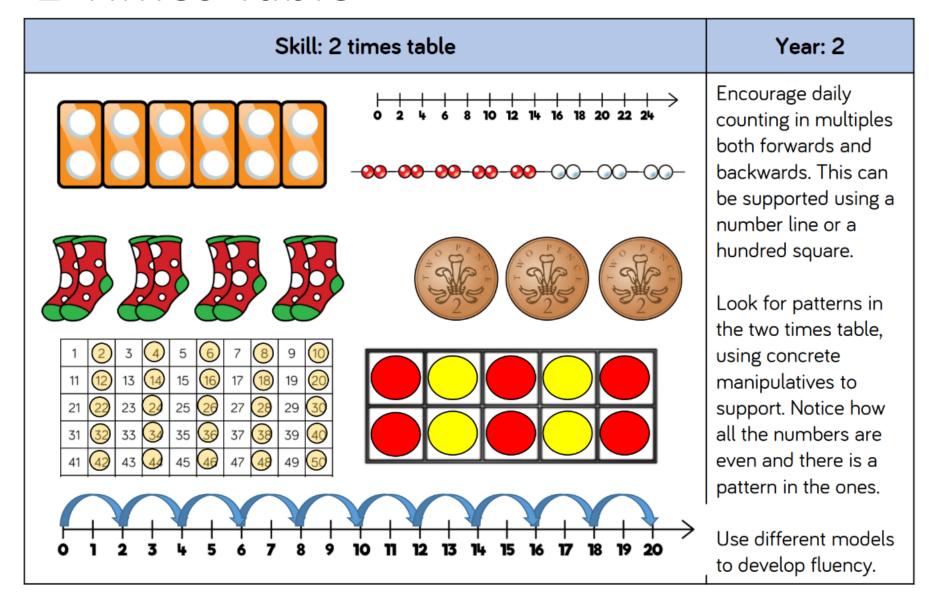
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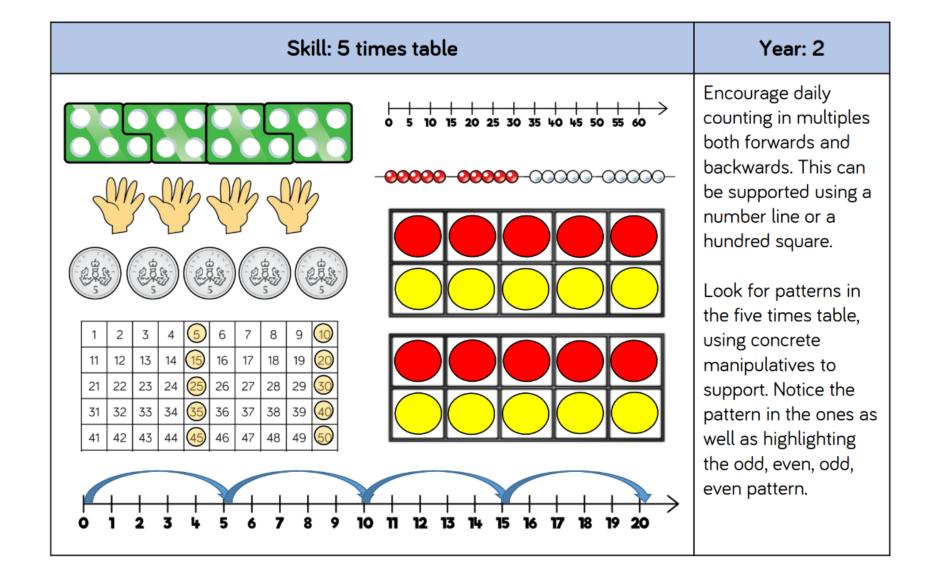
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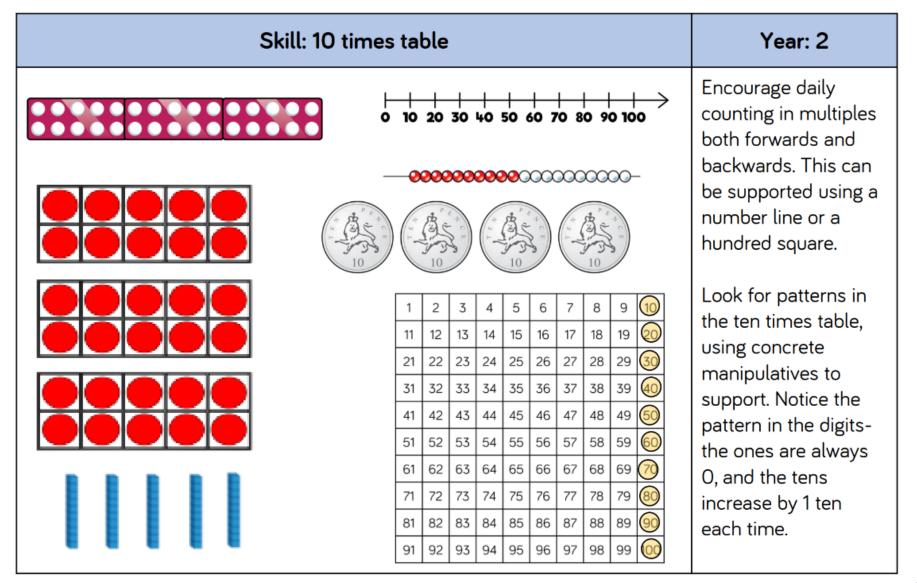
### 2 Times Table



## <u>Calculation Policy</u> – 5 Times Table



## Calculation Policy – 10 Times Table



### Reading

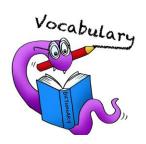
At Bridge and Patrixbourne, children are taught the skills of reading (outlined in the National Curriculum and the KS1 and KS2 test domains) through the use of VIPERS.

The Reading **VIPERS** are used by both KS1 and KS2 with a little adaption. The main difference being in the 'S'.

Sequence – KS1 Summarise – KS2

#### What are Vipers?

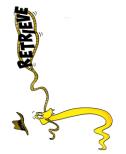
VIPERS is an anagram to aid the recall of the 6 reading domains as part of the UK's reading curriculum. They are the key areas which we feel children need to know and understand in order to improve their comprehension of texts.













#### **VIPERS** stands for:

### **Reading Vipers**

**V**ocabulary

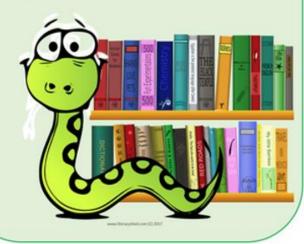
Infer

Predict

Explain

Retrieve

Sequence or Summarise



These 6 domains focus on the comprehension aspect of reading and not the mechanics: decoding, fluency, prosody etc.

VIPERS is not a reading scheme but rather a method of ensuring that teachers ask, and students are familiar with, a range of questions and recognise which reading skill they are using.

They allow the teacher to track the type of questions asked and the children's responses to these which allows for targeted questioning afterwards.

Whilst EYFS do not use the Vipers in the same way as Ks1 and 2 the children are introduced to some of the language within the classroom setting.

#### **Key Stage 1**

In Key Stage One, children's reading skills are taught and practised using the VIPERS during whole class, individual and guided reading sessions.

#### **KS1 Content Domain Reference [VIPER]**

1a draw on knowledge of vocabulary to understand texts [Vocabulary]

1b identify/explain key aspects of fiction and non-fiction, such as characters, events, titles and information [Retrieve]

1c identify and explain the sequences of events in texts [Sequence]

1d make inferences from the text [Infer]

1e predict what might happen on the basis of what has been read so far [Predict]

In KS1, 'Explain'; is not one of the content domains, instead adults ask the children why they have come to a certain conclusion, to explain their preferences, thoughts and opinions about a text.

### Home-Learning

#### Reading

Children may read to an adult, with an adult or read to themselves, in the presence of an adult. The story and characters should be talked about and new words discussed. Children need an understanding of the text and should be able to retell the story, make a prediction and answer questions about the book that they have read.

#### **Accelerated Reading**

Once the children are ready they are assessed for the accelerated reading scheme which is used by all of the Key Stage Two children. The children are then assigned a range (eg: 2.5-3) from which they can chose their book. Once the child has finished a book they complete a short quiz on the ipad or computer after which they can chose a new book from their range. The children can change their books when they have finished them, they do not have to wait for their book changing day. If you would like to know more there is a page on the school website.

### Termly Key Knowledge & Skills

At the beginning of each term, teachers send home an information leaflet detailing key mathematical and grammatical concepts as well as spellings that the parents could use to support their learning at home. These can also be found on the Class Pages of our school website.

# Home Learning (Reading & Phonics)

Every child will have three reading books to read at home each week, unless they are an Accelerated Reader (AR)

Books will be changed once a week according to their colour group. We aim for every child to read to an adult at least once a week in school time.

We suggest that once you have read with your child, ask them some questions to help develop their comprehension skills – for example, making a prediction, ask them what words mean, suggest alternative words, how does the character feel.

# Home-Learning (Spellings)

#### **English Key Learning Facts**

#### Key aim: To spell Year 1 common exception words

This term's home learning focusses on consolidating your child's understanding and spelling of the year 1 common exception words. Below is a list of the key words children should be able to spell:

come	some	today	said	you	of
are	do	says	were	was	so
his	<u>your</u>	by	we	there	here
where	love	put	school	friend	the
our	pull	full	push	house	<u>ask</u>
once	has				

#### **Suggested Activities**

Games - Can your child guess which word you are thinking of, based on your clues? Can they match the word to the picture? Can you guess the word based on their clues?

Use the word - Making meaning helps us all to remember; if writing a sentence down is hard, talk the sentence out loud.

**Spot the deliberate mistake** - If you write out the words (and make a deliberate mistake) can your child find it (don't forget to tell them, you have made a mistake)?

On the termly newsletter we will include some of the words from the spelling list for Year 2 as well as some of the common exception words. In addition to this we will be sending home a list of 10 spellings that will at some point include these words plus words that support the Year 2 spelling rules , for example prefixes and suffixes.

These will be sent home on a Monday and we will have a light tough spelling quiz on a Friday. Nothing to worry about!

Spelling Shed has been set up to support the weekly spellings that we are sending home.

Logins are found in the front of your child's reading record.



## Home-Learning (Maths)

#### Mathematics Key Learning Facts

#### Key aim: To recall number bonds to 10 and 20

To support the children with understanding all the different ways of making both 10 and 20 we have been using the language of 'number bonds'. We have also been identifying patterns with our number bonds, for example when we write our number bonds systematically, the first number in the <u>sum</u> goes down each time and the second number goes up (e.g. 19 + 1 + 20, 18 + 2 = 20, 17 + 3 = 20, 16 + 4 = 20)

Here are some examples of questions you might ask your child. The aim is for children to instantly be able to recall the number facts.

## Behaviour & Expectations

### Ready, Respectful, Safe

### The Restorative Approach

Incidences of negative behaviour are dealt with in a fair, respectful and appropriate way, with the key focus on individuals taking responsibility for their behaviour, repairing any harm done, rebuilding and restoring relationships. The key principle when dealing with issues is to give all the people involved a chance to have their say and become actively involved in the process. All members of staff and children know that issues will be dealt with fairly with a 'no blame' approach.

# Safeguarding

#### Safeguarding & Welfare Team



James Tibbles Headteacher



Chelsea Huggett BASC Manager



Charlotte McLean Inclusion Lead



Graham Redpath Phase Lead (EYFS)



Morny Starling Admin Officer (Children & Families)

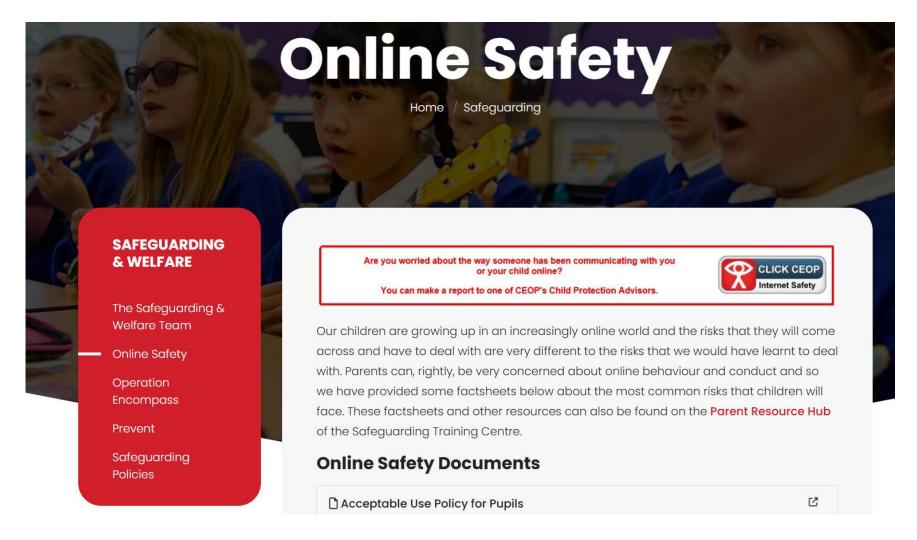


Michael Taylor Deputy Headteacher

Please speak to any of Safeguarding Team with any concerns.

For more information about ways to stay safe online please look at the school website which includes lots of information and practical advice.

# Safeguarding (Online Safety)



### School/Parent Partnership

We pride ourselves on our open relationships with parents and together we:

- Respect and support our school's values
- Encourage children to challenge themselves and provide the support and environment to maximize their academic potential
- Encourage our child to take as full and active part in school life as possible
- Support each other, especially regarding attendance, behaviour, online safety and home learning
- Work together to safeguard pupils and support their physical, mental and emotional wellbeing.
- Ensure that any concerns or issues are directly and promptly addressed through direct contact, telephone or email.

### Key Information

- PE days Tuesday = Dance and Friday = football skills
- Reading Books –School library day Wednesday morning however children can visit the library every day during break and lunch times.
- Please make sure that your children know what they are having for their lunch – we do check with them in the morning just in case.
- If it's a packed lunch it should be as healthy as possible. Definitely no nuts.
- We do offer a fruit/vegetable snack at break time. However, children may bring in a healthy snack from home if they would like.
- Parent Consultations w/b 6<sup>th</sup> October and 13<sup>th</sup> October TBC
- Harvest Service 16<sup>th</sup> October
- Nativity play at the church 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> December

# Any Questions