

# Parent Newsletter



Friday 6 December 2024

#### **ELF STOLEN FROM CONWAY SCHOOL!**

Miss Rukhsar and all of the pupils in Class 2R are devastated that their class Elf, named Elfie, mysteriously disappeared on Thursday 5 December 2024. The pupils and staff at Conway Primary School are on high alert and searching tirelessly to recover Elfie. Witnesses have come forward to say that they believe Elfie has been STOLEN!

On behalf of the class, Miss Rukhsar, class teacher, pleaded, "We just want our elf back; he is part of our Conway Crew. Please return him unharmed!" evening of Thursday 5 On the December, PC Rudolph and PC Vixen attended the school to investigate further. They looked at the last area that Elfie was seen (on whiteboard in class 2R). They also studied CCTV footage and have put out a plea to the general public.



PC Rudolph commented: "We are extremely concerned about the whereabouts and safety of Elfie. He has a red, pointy hat, striped trousers, cute eyes, white gloves and black shoes. He is 8 inches tall with brown hair. If anyone has any information about Elfie's whereabouts, please contact the school immediately."

A reward of 1000 Elf coins is available to anyone who provides valuable information that leads to Elfie's safe return. We hope that Elfie is found before Wednesday's spectacular Christmas Fayre.



HELP FIND ELFIE!



## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

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We will be holding a Christmas Fayre on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 from 1.30 to 4pm. Please collect your child(ren) at 12.00pm from school to give staff a chance to set up the Fayre. Please bring your children back at around 1.30pm to have fun at the Fayre.

Lots of stalls, games and activities to take part in;

RAFFLE: Tickets on sale from Monday  $^{2nd}$  December, lots of raffle prizes available to win. Buy your tickets from the School Office - 25p each or 5 for a £1.00

Santa Grotto tickets: £3.00 each LIMITED TO 100 CHILDREN-PRE BOOK YOUR TICKETS FOR SANTA AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE



Come and take a photo with Santa and receive a FREE GIFT!

#### Christmas stalls:

- Guess how many sweets are in the jar-WIN THE JAR
- Guess the name of teddy bear-WIN THE TEDDY
- Knock the tins over WIN A PRIZE
- Pin the tail on Rudolph WIN A PRIZE
- Hook a duck-WIN A PRIZE
- · Hot chocolate cones
- Tombola- ALWAYS A POPULAR STALL
- Bouncy Castle
- Mojitos- CONWAY FAVOURITE
- Hot chocolate
- Lucky Dip Goody bags- FULL OF SURPRISES
- Candy floss-YUMMY

## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

- · Chocolate fountain-
- Waffles & Pancakes-DELICIOUS
- School Cakes and Samosas
- Face Paint & Glitter tattoos-MAGICAL
- Toy Stall- ALL YOUR FAVOURITES
- Jewellery Stall
- Football shoot out
- Ice Cream Van

It is going to be a magical afternoon with many surprises!

It would be great to see you at the Fayre for fun and games! Please bring lots of money and spend spend!

All the money raised will benefit our children and go back into the school.



## STARS OF THE WEEK

Nur: Ahsan 3B: Jumeirah

RAL: Azaan 4HK: Lily

RS: Anya 4N: Adam

1D: Hamdi 5S: Amara

1A: Eman 5A: Ahmad

2R: Ibrahim 6D: Afwaan

2K: Amima 6A: Alisha

3S: Rahmat 6W: Aniya





## **Pupil Attendance**

With illness bugs rife at the moment, please ensure you are doing all you can to keep your children safe and healthy. If you would like any guidance, please contact the school, your local pharmacy or GP.

# Well done to Class 4HK for winning the attendance trophy for this week!

<mark>1D: 84%</mark> 4HK: 96.4%

1A: 93% 4N: 91%

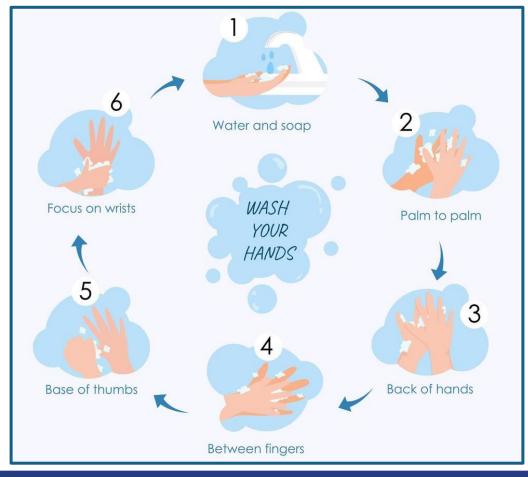
2R: 85% 5S: 82%

2K: 86% 5A: 89%

3S: 96.2% 6D: 96.1%

3B: 93% 6A: 92%



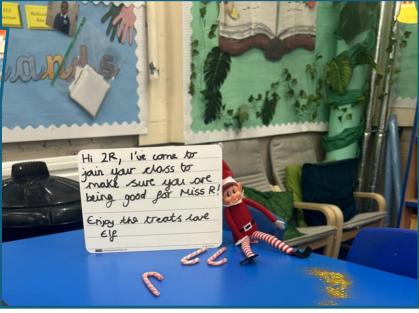


# **Conway Crew!**















# Safeguarding

# Understanding your child's needs

Children's needs and behaviours change as they get older, and understanding these needs will help you better understand your child. A lot has been written about the needs of children and advice for parents, and we cover some of the key areas here. If you'd like more detailed advice you can talk to the NSPCC helpline.



# Safeguarding

#### 1. Babies

Babies behave as they do to get their needs met. For example, when they cry they're trying to tell you that they need something – maybe they're hungry, need their nappy changed or feel tired.

Older babies may show what appears like a 'stubborn streak' – spitting out food or wriggling away from a nappy change. All they are doing is trying to express their likes and dislikes in the only way they can.

When you're stressed you may feel your baby is being 'deliberately naughty' or trying to provoke you. This is not possible. Remember you should never shout at, scream at, hit, shake or smack a baby.

For more resources, see our Look, Say, Sing, Play information:

nspcc.org.uk/looksaysingplay

#### 2. Toddlers

All toddlers test limits and have tantrums. Research shows that a child's brain is still developing during this period, so there are limits to how much they're able to control their emotions. Remember that behaviour in toddlers which is often seen as naughty is actually quite normal and part of growing up.

#### 3. School age

School-age children are constantly learning and exploring their world. They may have lots of questions as they start to form their own views on issues. As they move towards being more independent they may seem to push boundaries and become more challenging. This is a necessary part of growing up.

#### 4. Teenagers

As children continue to develop their own identities in their teenage years, they might become more challenging – sometimes seeming 'moody' or withdrawn, or not as talkative and open as their parents would like. They might be more inclined to disagree with their parents, or choose different views. Friends (and celebrities) will become a bigger influence and your child may not always do what you would like.



As children get older, they can experience difficult emotions. Some children find it hard to talk to their parents about feelings and may want to speak to Childline

0800 1111, childline.org.uk

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#### Dear Parents/Carers

We have been informed by West Midlands Police of an attempt to abduct a child from the Handsworth Wood/<u>Lozells</u> area of Birmingham which occurred on 4 December 2024.

Events like these remind us of the importance of ensuring children are aware of "stranger danger," especially when walking to and from school unaccompanied. We address this in school as part of our safeguarding measures and teachers remind children of the basic rules to stay safe:

- Never talk to strangers
- Always ignore strangers who ask questions or tell you to do something
- Avoid walking alone whenever possible
- Speak only to trusted adults if you are concerned about anything

As parents and carers, we know you want to stay informed. Should a similar situation arise in our area, we will inform you accordingly. We also advise you to discuss these safety rules with your children, especially if they travel to and from school unaccompanied.

Thank you for your support. If you see anything suspicious in the local area, please contact the police and the school. West Midlands Police can be contacted via Live Chat at <u>West Midlands</u> <u>Police</u> between 8am and midnight or by calling 101.

Thank you

Mr Gunchala



### **KARATE LESSONS**

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£5 per lesson

SPARKHILL KARATE CLUB





(Location of venue on Google Maps)

Beginners - Saturdays 10am to 11am

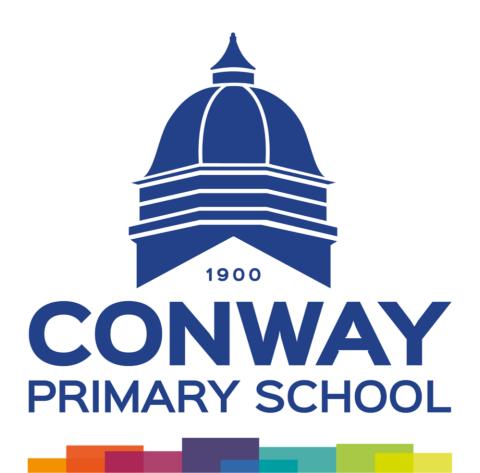
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