



## INSKIP ST. PETER'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*Learning, Loving and Living with Jesus*

Keep your roots deep in Jesus Christ the Lord, build your lives on him

and always be thankful. *Colossians 2:7*

Compassion Friendship Respect Forgiveness Trust Thankfulness



School will be closed to pupils this Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July due to NEU Industrial Action.

### Summer Fete

**Its our Summer Fayre this Saturday 8th July**

**11am until 2pm**



We are looking forward to seeing you all at the School Summer Fayre this year. Our star attraction are the beautiful **donkeys** from Blackpool Beach, plus one of our mums is bringing her very own **fruity cider bar** to provide refreshments for the grown-ups!

The Upper and Middle School children will be taking part in their chosen tournaments, either **football** or **tug of war**. The **craft competition** judging will be taking place and awards handed out on the day!

There will be **sausages and burgers sizzling on the BBQ** and no-one is excluded, we will also have a separate **vegetarian/vegan BBQ**, so please come along and enjoy your lunch and perhaps treat yourself to some **cake** or **candy floss** too!

There will be a **tombola**, **coconut shy**, **hook a duck**, **loads of garden games** and plenty of fun to be had, so please come along and support the school whilst having a great day out!

### Sports Day

Sports Day has been rescheduled to take place on **Thursday 13th July at 1.30pm**. We hope that you are able to come along and watch.

### Ice Pops

Due to the strike day being this Friday, the Friends will be selling ice pops outside school on **Thursday after school**. Don't forget your 50p.



### Moving Up Day

Today our children moved up to their new year group that they will be with in September. We have seen lots of smiley faces with everyone enjoying their day.

We also welcomed our new reception class for September; **Arlo, Ellie, Lewis, Lily and Rafa.** **Gracie and Isobel** also came for the day who will be joining year 1 and Year 3.

They have all thoroughly enjoyed their first day at Inskip St Peter's and we cannot wait for them all to join our Inskip family this September.



### Latest School Blogs

Please take a look at our school blogs and see lots of the inspiring learning your children have been doing in class. Click on the title of the blog to open it in a new window. Please comment at the bottom of the blog posts your thoughts of encouragement for the children to read.

#### Lower School

[Invasion of the Robots](#)

[Stay & Play Day](#)

#### Middle School

[Arty Afternoons](#)

[Debate on Tourism](#)

[Taking a Tally](#)

#### Upper School

[Romeo & Juliet Debate](#)

[Frankie & Me Rehearsals](#)



## Online Activity

It's been brought to my attention that pupils are inviting their classmates to join **Roblox** groups which have age inappropriate names and this is leaving some pupils feeling very uncomfortable about joining these groups. Please spend some time with your child looking at the gaming/message groups they are in and chatting about names of groups and the impressions these names give to others. This will also stand your child in good stead for when they are older and you want them to be able independently to differentiate between groups that share their interests/are welcoming and those that might be more adversarial. Thank you Miss Leyland



### What Parents & Carers Need to Know about ROBLOX

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market. By 2020, the game's makers were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it. As a 'sandbox' title, Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom: it lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**CONTACT WITH STRANGERS**  
Roblox encourages players to communicate online (including a group chat facility). This could expose children to risks such as scammers, online predators, harassment, griefers and more. The in-game chat has some filters, but isn't perfect: players can still send harmful messages to others – such as general hostility – while predators can reach out to children directly.

**ONLINE DATERS**  
These are also called 'ODers' and are quite common in Roblox. An ODER is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but this usually doesn't deter ODERs. Some player-built Roblox game worlds have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind.

**PUBLIC SERVERS**  
Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games which focus on all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. Some games and servers, therefore, will put children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

**IN-APP PURCHASES**  
Roblox is actually free to download and play, but bear in mind that there are some hidden costs. Players are encouraged to make purchases in the game, for example, using real money. People can also buy extra Robux (the in-game currency) to spend on cosmetic items in the game, and some private or VIP servers also have a cost.

### Advice for Parents & Carers

**SET PARENTAL CONTROLS**  
Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, as that allows Roblox to automatically apply the appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

**DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING**  
Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

**PRIVATE SERVERS**  
If your child has some genuine friends to play Roblox online with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could invite other people – who might not necessarily be child friendly – into the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about who they are playing the game with.

**MONITOR SPENDING**  
If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that you have two-factor authentication on your payment accounts also makes it harder for your child to spend money inadvertently.

**DEALING WITH STRANGERS**  
At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with other people online safely.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

**NOS National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday



## Dates for the diary:- (whole school events in red)

<b>Monday 3rd July</b>	<b>Move Up Day</b>
<b>Wednesday 5th July</b>	<b>NEU Teacher Strike Day school closed to pupils</b>
<b>Thursday 6th July</b>	<b>Middle School Concert at 2.45pm</b>
<b>Thursday 6th July</b>	<b>Friends Non Uniform for a Tombola Prize</b>
<b>Friday 7th July</b>	<b>NEU Teacher Strike Day school closed to pupils</b>
<b>Saturday 8th July</b>	<b>Our Summer Fayre</b>
<b>Thursday 13th July</b>	<b>Whole School Disco 5-6.30pm</b>
<b>Friday 14th July</b>	<b>Library Van—Collection of all books only</b>
<b>Friday 14th July</b>	<b>Whole School Visit to Wild Boar Park</b>
<b>Week beginning 17th July</b>	<b>School Reports sent home</b>
<b>Monday 17th July</b>	<b>Upper School Play Performance 2.15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 18th July</b>	<b>Upper School Play Performance at 6pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 19th July</b>	<b>Year 6 Treat Day</b>
<b>Friday 21st July</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers Ceremony (Y6 parents only) 12pm</b>
<b>Friday 21st July</b>	<b>School ends for Summer for the pupils at 1.15pm</b>

## This Week's Clubs:-

<b>MONDAY 3rd</b>	<b>8:00am Breakfast Club</b> <b>3.30pm Sports Club with Corey</b>
<b>TUESDAY 4th</b>	<b>8:00am Breakfast Club</b> <b>3.30pm Tennis with Simon</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 5th</b>	<b>School Closed to Pupils due to NEU Industrial</b>
<b>THURSDAY 6th</b>	<b>8:00am Breakfast Club</b> <b>3:30pm Basketball Club with Corey</b>
<b>FRIDAY 7th</b>	<b>School Closed to Pupils due to NEU Industrial</b>



**Birthdays this week:**

**Isabella for 5th July**

**Ted for 9th July**

