



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

Week Beginning Monday 2nd October 2023

Next **Thursday 19th October** the Friends will be having a **non-uniform day**. Your child can wear their own clothes to school for the day in exchange for a Tombola prize ready for our Christmas Fayre.

Friends Coffee and Cake

We have a "Friends of Inskip School" committee which is made up of mums and dads. It's our aim to raise a bit of extra money to provide our children with even better learning and fun experiences. **We would absolutely love it if you would join us.**

We would like to invite all parents/grandparents/carers to join us for Coffee and Cake!



Monday 16th October

in the School Hall

3.30pm to 4.30pm



Your children can play outside!

Please come and say hello, we'd love to tell you about what we do and hear your ideas!

OPENDAY

Wednesday 18th October 3.45pm to 6pm

Our School Open Day

We are very excited to be opening our school doors **Wednesday 18th October 3.45pm to 6pm** to parents who are choosing the school they would like their children to go to. This open day is open to both those who have children ready to start school in September 2024 and to those who are looking further ahead.

If you know of a parent who is interested in having a look around our school for future choices please let them know of our Open Day or if they cannot make that please ask them to give the school a call on 01772 690438.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of new families!

You can apply for a primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. **You must apply even if you already have siblings in the school.**

Closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 15th January 2024.

School Website

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

[Marvellous Maths!](#)

[Library Van Time!](#)

[Busy Bees Playing Games in PE](#)

[Phonics and Spelling Superstars](#)

Middle School

[Plant-astic Investigation!](#)

[Henry Rousseau Inspired Art](#)

Upper School

[Soluble and Insoluble Materials](#)

News & Events

Celebration Worship 6.10.23

Winter Clothing

As the weather starts to get cooler could we please ask that jumpers, cardigans and coats are **clearly named** so that any lost items can be returned to their owners. Thank you.



Christian Values

Our Christian value theme this half term is
‘Perseverance’.

Here's a way of exploring this theme at home.



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE



Mosaics are one of the oldest ways to make art. People have been arranging tiny coloured pieces of glass or pottery for thousands of years to create beautiful designs. But the process is time consuming and needs lots of **perseverance**. This term's Home-School Challenge is to make a mosaic picture (no bigger than A3 – 29x42cm) using small pieces of coloured paper. The subject of your mosaic is up to you. It could be a pattern or a picture.

Secondary School Applications Sept 2024

If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their primary school place at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Closing date for secondary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 31st October 2023.

Online Activity

We all want our children to be safe online and with that in mind we will be providing you with information about online behaviours, apps and games which will be useful to you in supporting your child to stay safe. This will also support the daily teaching of online safety at school.

This week we inform parents and carers about 'Whatsapp'. Some of our children have said they use this app to chat with friends when at home.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP

...MSG ME...

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging; WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing its service in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

AGE RESTRICTION
16+
in UK and Europe;
rest of the world 13+

EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency'. Plus a scam where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then (posing as WhatsApp) call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a chat, someone only needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user that they want to message. If your child has ever given their number out to someone they don't know, that person could then contact them via WhatsApp. It's also possible that your child might be added to a group chat (by one of their friends, for example) containing other people that they don't know.

FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a "Forwarded many times" label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original – and might not be entirely factual, either.

ONLINE

'VIEW ONCE' CONTENT

The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts, knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased privacy.

CHAT LOCK

Another new option allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. The risk here is that this function creates the potential for young people to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of (such as age-inappropriate material).

VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safely on the way home, for example. However, anyone in your child's contacts list or in a mutual group chat can also track their location – potentially letting strangers identify a child's home address or journeys that they make regularly.

Advice for Parents & Carers ...TYPING...

EMPHASISE CAUTION

Encourage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: get them to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

THINKING BEFORE SHARING

Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.

ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's wise to change your child's WhatsApp settings (go to 'Privacy', then 'Groups') to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval; you can give permission to 'My Contacts' or 'My Contacts Except...'. Additionally, if your child needs to use 'live location', emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

Some parents like to check in with their child about how they're using WhatsApp, explaining that it will help to keep them safe. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of chats that are in there, who they're with and why your child wants to keep them hidden. Also, if your child has sent any 'view once' content, you could discuss their reasons for using this feature.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

...HEY OSCAR...

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<https://www.australia.com/learn/whatsapp-scams>

Jingle Bell Jog

Ready, set, HO! HO! HO!

We hope you can join us for this year's **Jingle Bell Jog** taking place on **Sunday 26th November at University of Central Lancashire Sports Arena**, Preston.

This 1 mile fun run is around the university's running track and is suitable for all ages and abilities. It's a great way to begin your festivities for 2023.

We will have some **special visitors** and there will be **prizes on the day for the best fancy dress!**

To book your place just head over to our website <https://shorturl.at/gSA15>

Every penny of sponsorship raised will be in support of our Children's Appeal and will help us to make a difference by creating a calming hospital stay for the 10,000+ children and young people cared for at Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust annually.



JINGLE BELL JOG

Sunday 26th November 2023

Arrive from 11am • Jog starts 12 noon

Join us for our family-friendly
fancy dress walk, jog or run
around the UCLan running track at:
UCLan Sports Arena Tom Benson Way,
Preston PR2 1SG



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Dates for the diary:-

Tuesday 10th October	Parents Evening
Wednesday 11th October	US Educational Visit to Quarry Bank Mill
Monday 16th October	Friends Coffee & Cake 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Wednesday 18th October	Inskip St Peter's Open Day
Thursday 19th October	School Closes for the children for Autumn Half Term
Friday 20th October	School Closed Inset Day
Monday 30th October	School Reopens
Friday 10th November	Tempest Photography Individual and Family Photos
Friday 22nd December	School Closes for Christmas
Monday 8th January	School Reopens

Next Week's Clubs:-

MONDAY 16th	8:00am	Breakfast Club
	3:30pm	Tri-Golf with Corey
TUESDAY 17th	8:00am	Breakfast Club
	3:30pm	Tennis with Simon Ardron
WEDNESDAY 18th	8:00am	Breakfast Club
	3:30pm	Dodgeball with Fleetwood Town
THURSDAY 19th	8:00am	Breakfast Club
	3:30pm	Forest School with Mrs Nash
FRIDAY 20th	8:00am	Breakfast Club
	3:30pm	Football Club with Corey



Birthdays this week:

Evelyn on the 15th October