

Moorfield News

Responsibility Perseverance Compassion Thankfulness

SPORTS WEEK

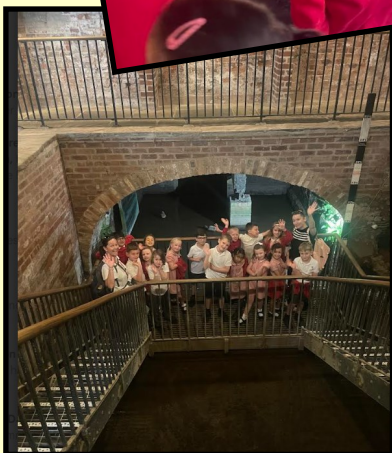
What a week of sport we have had this week in glorious sunshine. We've had hockey and Dance delivered by UK Sports, Climbing Wall and Archery delivered by Venture Out, Hazel Grove United delivering football sessions, and Beatbox and Break Dancing by CreACTIVE. Not forgetting sports day on Tuesday which was fantastic. A big thank you to Miss Cartwright and Miss Greaves for organising the week and to Mr Lloyd for all his hard work on Sports Day. I hope your child enjoyed the week. I'm sure they will sleep well this weekend!



YEAR 2 AT QUARRY BANK MILL

Our Year 2 children visited the Mill recently as part of their Incredible Industry history unit. The focus was on local history.

The children went into the apprentice house to learn what being an apprentice was like. They learnt how the machines were powered by water and the dangers of working the looms during this period in history - and they also got dressed up!



YEAR 4 AT THURSTASTON BEACH

Our Year 4 children visited the Wirral as part of their Coastal Erosion geography unit last week. The children went on a scavenger hunt looking for pollution, designed coastal defences to limit erosion as well as creating 3D maps.



ST ANNE'S HOSPICE SUMMER CELEBRATION

Our school choir, who sang at the Town Hall recently with the St Anne's Choir, contributed to raising £54,000 for the hospice.

Thank you to all those who supported by buying tickets for the event and raffle tickets on the night. These funds will help equip a bedroom at the new hospice once it opens later this year.



ROUNDERS FINALS

Well done to the rounders team who came a creditable third in the finals at HGHG on Thursday. In boiling conditions the children gave it everything. A special mention to Poppy who was chosen for the determination award.



BASKETBALL SUCCESS

Rio has finished a successful first year playing National League Basketball with Stockport Flacons, playing with and against boys a year older than him. He has been through a gruelling trial season with many stages and was selected for three different clubs. He has chosen Manchester Giants Under 12 team which will compete in the Under 14 National League in the 2025/2026 season. Rio has such a passion for basketball and has worked extremely hard. Two of his trials were during SATS week. Hard work really does pay off! Well done Rio. It's great to see our pupils achieving outside as well as in school.



AND FINALLY...CURRICULUM SHOWCASE

We have curriculum showcases over the next couple of weeks and the timetable is here. All 3pm starts. Year 6's showcase will be the production on Wednesday evening..

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Paul Anderson
Headteacher

DATE	YEAR GROUP
Monday 14 th July	
Tuesday 15 th July	Year 2 and Year 1
Wednesday 16 th July	
Thursday 17 th July	
Friday 18 th July	Reception
Monday 21 st July	Year 5
Tuesday 22 nd July	Year 3
Wednesday 23 rd July	
Thursday 24 th July	Year 4

Here are some important dates for your diary for this half term:

- Wednesday 16th July - Year 6 Production - 5.30pm
- Monday 21st July - Summer Term Achievers Assembly
- Monday 21st July - End of Year Reports
- Friday 25th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 9.15am



Picture News

TAKE HOME

14th - 20th July



In the news this week

After fleeing the war in Ukraine, Yuliia Brykailo moved to the Isle of Man with her daughter, Veronika. Yuliia has since written a children's book inspired by Veronika's experience of settling into a new school. The story, Veronika's Treasure Adventures on the Isle of Man, follows a young girl exploring the island and discovering that the real treasure is friendship. Veronika was warmly welcomed by her new school, where pupils even learned Ukrainian words to help her feel included.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think writing a book is a good way to help share an experience?
- > Ask someone at home about their favourite book. What is it they like about it? Tell them about yours. Are there any lessons you can learn from your favourite stories or books?



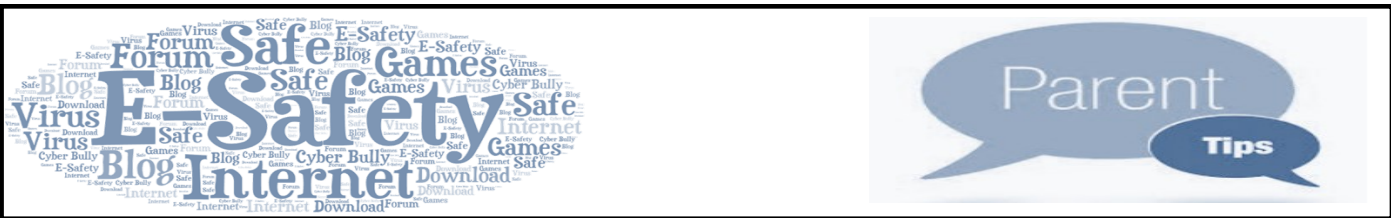
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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-ENABLED SCAMS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Artificial intelligence (AI) is quickly becoming a widely used tool, with lots of positive applications being discussed and developed. Sadly, however, as with most technology tools, there are those who will seek to use it for malicious and dishonest practices, with children and other vulnerable groups particularly at risk.

PHISHING EMAILS: BETTER & QUICKER

Phishing scams – emails designed to trick people into handing over login details or money – are not new, and do not rely on AI; however, AI has made them far more dangerous. Criminals can now generate highly convincing emails at speed, mimicking an organisation's tone, branding and language with ease. This makes phishing attempts harder to spot, especially for young people who may not yet know what to look out for.

ONLINE MARKETPLACE FRAUD

Online marketplaces are now a common way to buy and sell everything, from second-hand clothes to cars. Criminals are exploiting this by using AI to enhance or completely fake product photos and videos, and pressure buyers into paying deposits or full amounts upfront. These tactics are becoming more advanced, making it vital to pause, check, and verify the sale before parting with any money.

VOICE IMPERSONATION

AI can now realistically impersonate a person's voice when given a small sample of someone's speech patterns. This is especially concerning where voice has been enabled as an alternative to password-based logins. One such example was the use of AI deepfake audio as part of a fake kidnapping scam: the criminals used an AI voice clone of a 15-year-old to convince her parents she had been kidnapped and elicit a ransom.

EMPLOYMENT SCAMS

Using AI, criminals can create fake online profiles that seem completely real. These synthetic identities can chat with young people about fake job offers, asking for money to secure a visa or paperwork. In 2025, The Guardian reported a scam targeting young people with promises of quick cash, posing as TikTok staff.

INFLUENCER & INVESTMENT SCAMS

AI tools now make it easy to manipulate video and audio, with technology available that can generate entirely fake content using the likeness of celebrities or influencers. Criminals are using this to create convincing videos of well-known figures promoting fake products or services, which young people can be particularly susceptible to. Cryptocurrency scams are a common tactic, luring people into investing in schemes that do not exist. Once payment is made, the criminal simply disappears with the money.

ROMANCE SCAMS & SEXTORTION

AI chat bots can now mimic real conversations, often accompanied with realistic fake photos and videos, which makes it easier for criminals to build trust with young people – among other things, this can lead to fraud or sextortion. In 2024, the NCA's CSOP Safety Centre received 380 reports of sextortion. Alarmingly, in the first five months alone, police received an average of 117 monthly reports involving under-18s, showing how serious and targeted this threat has become.

Advice for Parents & Educators

THINK CRITICALLY

The key to addressing the increasing growth of AI-enabled scams is to think critically and show caution. Inform children that if something is too good to be true, then it probably is. Encourage them to stop and carefully consider what they are seeing and reading before taking any action. For example, if a social media post expresses urgency, proceed with caution; if content seems unusual, even from a known person, it may be that their account has been hacked.

USE TRUSTWORTHY SITES AND SERVICES

Online marketplaces are useful when buying and selling items; however, where possible, encourage children to use reputable companies and their online shopping sites. These companies are likely to have more sophisticated cyber-security safeguards in place, underpinned by consumer legislation, enabling them to control how products and services are displayed and traded on their sites.

SEEK TO VERIFY

Criminals may breach an influencer's account or spread misinformation and fake content; however, their approach will generally be limited to a single account, site or service. Where possible, show children how to verify information to check its legitimacy before proceeding. Small actions, such as phoning the person who is the subject of a suspicious email, or checking content via an individual or company website or social media sites can make the difference. The greater the risk, the more effort we should expend to confirm whether the information presented is true or false.

REPORT IT

As the sophistication of scams increases, the likelihood of being tricked by them also increases, especially when not paying attention or acting quickly. It is important that young people know how to report incidents as they happen. Show children how to report their concerns to the social media site, Action Fraud, banks, and other individuals or organisations linked or involved. If you are unsure of the most effective reporting channel, contact Action Fraud.

Meet Our Expert

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