

13th January 2023

# Moorfield News

Responsibility Perseverance Compassion Thankfulness

## Monday 9th-Thursdays 12th January

Classes of the Week: R/KS1 2CS: KS2: 3B

House of the Week: Lion

Pupil of the Week: Henry R 2CS



TRACKIT LIGHTS

## Monday 9th-Friday 13th January

KT Leo M

KP Frankie-Joe F

RQ Harry W

RS Saif E

1C Jaxon C

1H Dawud M

2JC Isaac C

2CS Henry R

3B Phoenix P

3C Skye A

4C Sophia H

4W Alice A

5G Tyler R

5SR Charlie W

6HT Alex C

6M Thurston K



## Pen License



## Star Bonds and Moorfield Tables

Moorfield Tables -  
Isabel Mc 3B, Amelia H 3B



## 9th-13th January

Rec 93%, Year 1 95%, Year 2 94%, Year 3 95%,  
Year 4 95%, Year 5 96%, Year 6 94%

Attendance Matters



## Headteacher Award

KS1 - Dixon F Perseverance  
KS2 - Matilda B Mutual Respect



Dear Parents and Carers,

A Happy New Year to all of our school community. I hope you had a lovely break and were able to spend plenty of time with family and friends.

## VALUE OF COURAGE

We started our new value of Courage this half term with the focus this week on taking small steps to achieve a goal (New Year Resolution). A great opportunity for the children to share their goals with you at home if they haven't already.

## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

It is Children's Mental Health Week the week commencing 6th February. On the following page is a poster promoting a range of sessions after school both online and in person. These events have been organised by Beacon Counselling. You can register an interest in the events by following the QR code or the link here <https://forms.office.com/e/HtXVuWqHcu>

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# CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK EVENT



Monday 6th February 2023 - Thursday 9th  
February 2023

The week will have a range of sessions online  
and in-person between 4:30pm-6:30pm. The  
event will focus on the 5 ways of Wellbeing.

Connect

Learn

Give

Be Active

Take Notice

Special Guests  
announced soon!

More details to be  
confirmed.



Find out more  
↙  
[sos@beacon-counselling.org.uk](mailto:sos@beacon-counselling.org.uk)



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## NARNIA

Year 4 was transformed into Narnia for the start of 2023.

We entered a winter wonderland via a wardrobe of fur coats and had fun having an indoor snowfall fight. We are excited to read *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* this term and look forward to our next adventure.



## PARENT CONSULTATION

Apologies for postponing this event which was supposed to take place next week. We have made the decision to hold our parent consultation meetings after half term, once we are half way through the school year. We will confirm dates in the near future.

## KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE IN THE VIRTUAL WORLD

**Thursday 2nd February 2pm – 3pm**

A reminder about a letter that was sent by Miss Pugh earlier in the week regarding a session for parents on internet safety. The contents of the letter are as follows:

*Today's young people are growing up in an increasingly complex world, living their lives seamlessly on and offline. This presents many positive and exciting opportunities, but also challenges and risks.*

*As our society becomes more technology based, we understand that the use of social media is central to the lives of many young people. In school, we work to build resilience in all our pupils to help them both embrace the digital era and protect themselves online. We place much emphasis on respect, dignity and inclusion throughout our curriculum and underline the importance of these values when educating our children about the use of technology.*

*At Moorfield we are committed to working with our parents/carers to ensure children are safe both on and offline, therefore the school will be running a session on internet safety for parents/carers on Thursday 2nd February at 2pm in the Key Stage 2 Hall.*

*The internet can be of great benefit to your child, but the session will also raise awareness to highlight some of the issues that children and young people may face online today.*

*The session aims to give an overview of:*

- *What children are doing online.*
- *Provide parents with the advice and top tips to ensure the safety of children online.*
- *Social networking sites, apps & games.*
- *Impact of technology on children.*
- *Resources.*

Please can you email the office: [admin@moorfield.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:admin@moorfield.stockport.sch.uk) to inform us whether you are planning to attend.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Paul Anderson  
Headteacher





At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one game of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about OF WORLD WARCRAFT

AGE RESTRICTION  
**12+**

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

World of Warcraft originally launched way back in 2004, and since then the game has blossomed into a major entertainment property. It's spawned spin-off novels, merchandise and even a Hollywood movie adaptation – but why are we still talking about it in 2023? World of Warcraft's most recent iteration, Dragonflight, launched last November and marks the game's ninth major expansion. This latest addition has attracted a whole host of lapsed players back to the game – as well as newcomers jumping into the realm of Azeroth for the first time.

## ALWAYS ONLINE

World of Warcraft is an MMORPG, which stands for Massively Multiplayer Online Role-Playing Game. Players create a character and head off on mythical quests to earn rewards and become more powerful. The game's environment is absolutely vast, and it can only be played online on PC or Mac – so there's a high probability of young Warcraft fans wanting to monopolise the family computer.

## REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As is common with many MMORPGs, World of Warcraft's developers, Blizzard, release regular expansions for the game (usually every 18 months to two years). So although there's still plenty of content for young players to experience right now, there will almost inevitably be a requirement to continue buying future expansion packs, which tend to cost around £50.

## IN-GAME PURCHASES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Just like its genre contemporary Final Fantasy XIV, World of Warcraft requires a monthly subscription fee to play. It's currently £9.99 per month (although you can get it cheaper by signing up to a longer subscription). There are also many items which can be purchased from the in-game store that don't affect gameplay, but instead offer cosmetic alterations to a player's character.

## VOICE AND TEXT CHAT

Because World of Warcraft is played exclusively on PCs and Macs, it's easy for users to type out text messages if they aren't comfortable using voice chat. If you'll forgive the pun, that's a double-edged sword because – although there's less chance of them being harassed verbally – it puts young players at increased risk of being trolled or receiving spam through the in-game messaging function.

## SIMULATED VIOLENCE

The fact that World of Warcraft is almost 20 years old means that even its most violent battles look slightly cartoonish compared with the level of authenticity in many more modern games. The exception tends to be Warcraft's in-game cutscenes: animated sections which move the plot onto the next stage. These offer more realistic visuals, but they still aren't overly gory or scary.

## POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

World of Warcraft can trigger a powerful "just one more quest" mentality in players (especially young ones) as they rush to secure the next dopamine hit from levelling their character up or earning a new item or weapon. It's also a game that doesn't have a definite 'end' – because as soon as a player finishes levelling up one character, they can start afresh with another one.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### MANAGE PLAYTIME

World of Warcraft can be an extremely enjoyable game to play with friends, but it's important that your child doesn't let their adventures crowd out school work, socialising or anything else they also enjoy. You could, for example, consider imposing playtime limits – such as a set number of hours to play Warcraft per week, or restricting it to particular days or just weekends.

### MAKE IT A REWARD

If your child is excited about getting the next World of Warcraft expansion, you could consider using it as a reward for completing their weekly tasks (you could even call them 'quests') like tidying their room or doing their homework. This will demonstrate that you're happy for them to play the game but will also help them to build good, productive habits, reinforcing that hard work earns rewards.

### SIGN UP FOR THE FREE TRIAL

Warcraft's monthly subscription effectively 'pays' for the regular new content, but there's also a sizeable free trial that lets new players explore the world of Azeroth without paying a penny. Players can play up until Level 20 for free, which is easily several hours' worth of gameplay. If your child does take this option, we'd suggest minimising in-game spending by not linking a bank card to their account.

### REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

Due to mild violence and the occasional use of offensive language, World of Warcraft has been rated as appropriate for players aged 12 and over by PEGI (the Pan-European Game Information system, which gives games their age certificate). It isn't really suitable for anyone below that age, so you may potentially have to explain this reasoning to your younger children if they want to play it.

12+

### ADVENTURE TOGETHER

Warcraft can certainly be addictive, but playing it together is also a great way to spend time with your child. The game's focus on cooperative questing and battling enemies can make it feel like you've accomplished something as a team, and you'll also be in a prime position to spot any early signs of addiction. Just remember to apply gaming time limits to yourself as well as your young ones!

## Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Games Editor at technology and entertainment website Dailymail and has been working in the gaming media for three years. A long-time gaming enthusiast, he is also a parent and therefore a keen advocate of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have also been published on influential sites including IGN and Techradar, among others.



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# Picture News

## TAKEHOME

16 - 22 January



## In the news this week

Many of us are increasingly reusing, repairing, and upcycling items, instead of throwing them away and replacing with new ones, according to experts. Upcycling shop, the Repair Café in Wales believes, that because of the cost of living crisis, people are making the most of what they already have. Throwaway culture has been the norm since the 1950s but now appears to be declining.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Do you think repair cafés are a good idea?
- If there were a repair café near you, would you use it? What types of things might you take?
- Do you have any repairing skills? Is it something you would like to learn?



Do we throw things away too easily?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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# Black Tiger Martial Arts

At Poynton Sports Club,  
London Road North, Poynton SK12 1AG

## Kickboxing Taster Session

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February**  
**12noon to 1pm**

Age: 7years to 99years

Taster Session: **FREE OF CHARGE**

## Kickboxing Classes

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February**  
**12noon to 1pm**

Age: 7years to 99years

Cost: **£25 per month**

## TaiChi

**Wednesday**  
**25<sup>th</sup> January**  
**12noon to 1pm**

Adults

Cost: **£15 per month**

## Poynton Sports Club Self Defence Classes

**Wednesday 22nd**  
**February and Wednesday**  
**1st March 5pm to 6pm**

Age: 18+ and 16+ with  
consent, limited to 12  
people

**FREE OF CHARGE**

## Martial Art Classes

**Sunday 8th January**

Children 5+ and families  
7pm to 8pm

Adults 12+  
8pm to 9pm

Cost: **£25 per month**

For anymore information and to book onto any of the above sessions please  
call **07760543735** or email **blacktigerkarate@hotmail.com**



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**Poynton Sports Club would like  
to invite you to take part in**

# **Family Bingo**

**Saturday 28th January 2023**

**6pm to 9pm**

**£2 each (children under 5 are free)**



Prizes for rows, full house.

Come and join us, fun, laughter with  
friends and family.

Members and Non-Members are welcome



If you require more information please contact Jane on  
**07984 526534** or **[Clubmanager@poyntonsports.com](mailto:Clubmanager@poyntonsports.com)**



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# Family Valentines Disco at Poynton Sports Club

**Saturday 11th February  
6pm onwards**

**Free admission but entry by  
ticket only on the evening.**

Call **07984 526 534** or email  
**clubmanager@poyntonsports.com** to book your  
FREE entry ticket.

**Music, Games and Dancing.**

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