



WEST KIDLINGTON NEWS

Dear Families

The first two weeks seemed to have flown by. Thank you to the Year 6 Families who were able to join us online on Monday evening for the SATS information. If any family has not received the guidance, please contact the school office.

This year's visit to Young Voices took place on Thursday. I would like to share how grateful I am to Mrs Cook for providing the children with this opportunity. It requires a lot of preparation and lots of this takes place in her own time. The children loved it. Thank you for supporting the event and we do hope that you loved seeing your child being part of a choir of 8000 children. There were some tired children in school this morning!



We had to say a huge thank you to Lisa Bowers on Tuesday. Her five year role as Treasurer for the Friends group came to an end. She has worked tirelessly in this role. I am pleased that she will still be supporting Friends.

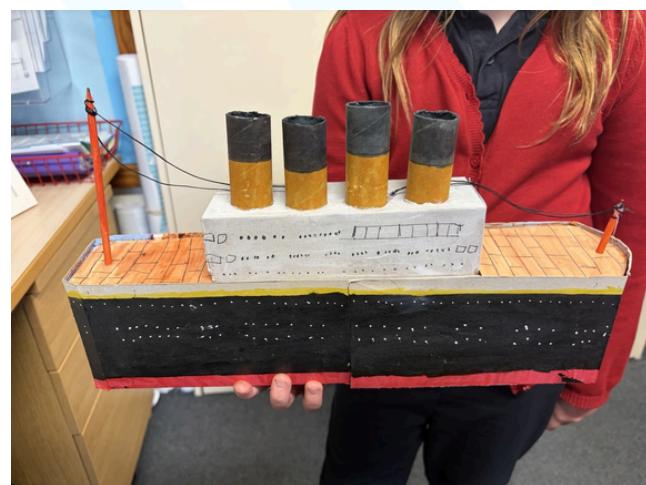
Important Dates

Tuesday 27th January - NSPCC Workshop for Year 2 and 5/6

Friday 6th February - selected children attending Swimming Gala at Gosford

Friday 13th February - Break up

One of our Curriculum Golden Rules is that children create their own learning at home. A Titanic model based on a new topic being studied. Well done Hannah.



Sports Day - 2026

Sports Day 2026 is scheduled for **Tuesday, 16th June 2026**, with a reserve date of Friday, 19th June 2026.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and appreciate your continued support.

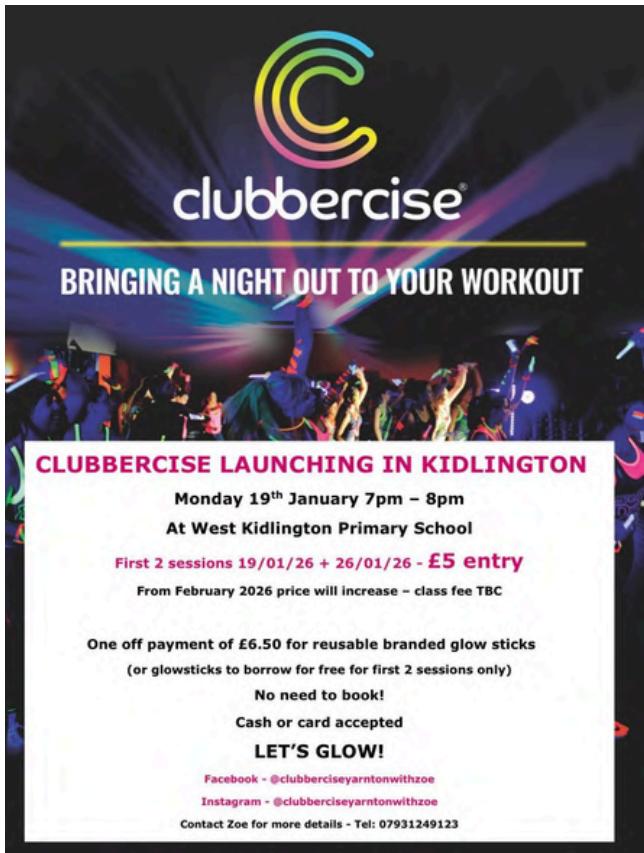




On Thursday 15th January, children from all over the UK took part in 30th Anniversary Young Voices concert in the fabulous BP Live Arena in Birmingham. It was also the 10th Anniversary of West Kidlington attending this amazing event. The concert brought over six thousand young singers for a fantastic concert experience. Our choir of thirty children from Year 5 and 6 performed and showcased their musical talents brilliantly. It was a truly memorable experience and great fun for the children, staff members and the very supportive parents who joined the audience in the evening. The children sang and danced the night away, performing with Connie Talbot, known from Britain's Got Talent and Broadway star Aneesa Folds. Various genres of music made up the programme, which included particular favourites Power in Me, a medley of songs from Wicked, a medley of Sea Shanties and of course, the ever-popular Pop Medley. In the months before the concert the children worked incredibly hard, rehearsing the songs and learning the dance moves. This resulted in them being able to thoroughly enjoy the day itself. With their energy and enthusiasm, they really did West Kidlington proud!

We are already excited and looking forward to Young Voices 2027!





A **new** exercise class begins on Monday at West Kidlington PS. Come along, get fit and have fun.

Monday 19th January 7-8pm

Movement = medicine

Online Safety Guidance

Parenting today can feel overwhelming — especially when childhood looks so different from what we grew up with. There's no manual, and it can be hard to keep up with the fast-changing digital world your child moves through every day. We are sharing a new guide which aims to make those conversations easier and help you support your child with confidence.

Please take time to read this - it is very useful for all of our families.

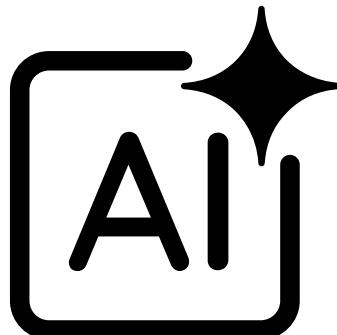
The PDF is attached alongside the newsletter. There are 3 main themes to the guide.



Screen time



When bad things happen



Artificial Intelligence

HALF EIGHT IS TOO LATE



**HOW MUCH TIME YOUR
CHILD SPENDS ON A
SCREEN IS IMPORTANT**



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