



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

Monday 14th March 2022



Library Van



The Library Van will be visiting school **this Friday 18th March**. Please remind your child to bring into school any library books they have at home to exchange for new adventures. Thank you

Red Noses

Each morning and at after school collection time our School Council will be selling Red Noses at the gate to help raise money for **Red Nose Day** which is this **Friday 18th March**.

The noses are **£1.50 each**. We have managed to get hold of **60 noses** and our School Council aim is to sell all of them!

Red Nose Joke Day

We've had another wonderful idea from our School Council, who have suggested that we raise more money for Comic Relief on the day by having a Joke event. **For £1 Upper School and Middle School pupils may tell jokes to the rest of the school!** Each comic will have a maximum of 3 minutes in order to tell their jokes, please help your child by listening to them practice their act first, jokes may be written down for them to read but please encourage them to use a loud expressive voice. Children must bring their **£1 on the day** in order to participate.



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

[North West Stages Rally Car](#)

[Lamb Visit](#)

[Plants In Spring](#)

Middle School

[North West Rally Stages Car](#)

[Animal Masks](#)

[Telling The Time](#)

Upper School

[North West Rally Stages Car](#)

[Dancing In Canon](#)

Christian Values

Our Christian value theme this half term is
'Courage'.

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

☆ HALL OF FAME



Bravery v. Slavery

Harriet Tubman was born nearly 200 years ago in Maryland, USA. Her family were slaves which means that they had to work for the people who 'owned' them. Slaves had no pay and no rights and they could be bought or sold like property. As Harriet grew older she was afraid that she would be sold and sent far away from her family to work for strangers. She decided to try to escape. This needed great **courage** because Harriet knew that if she was caught she would be cruelly punished. After many adventures and with the help of kind people along the way, Harriet managed to escape to Canada, where slavery was banned.

It would have been safest for Harriet to stay in Canada and make for herself a comfortable and easier life, but she was determined not to forget her family and friends who still suffered as slaves in America. She made her way back and forth to Maryland not once, but *nineteen times*, facing great danger and showing amazing bravery as she helped slaves to escape to freedom. By the end of her life Harriet had helped to free around 300 slaves!

After her death Harriet received many honours for her bravery. A ship was named after her, and in 1995 the US government issued a postage stamp to celebrate her **courageous** life.

Adult Reading Library

At Inskip St Peter's we LOVE TO READ! Our children have so many areas in school where they can just pick up a book and read. Whether that's in class, the library, sat in our corridor, or jumping on the library van, there are so many choices of fiction and non-fiction books available to ignite your child's imagination.

We are happy to now be able to offer our parents and carers the opportunity to also borrow a book from our new Adult Lending Library. This is placed in the school entrance foyer on the windowsill. Please do come in and have a look to see if there is a book that you might want to read.

Adult Lending Library

Please help yourself to a book from our library and log the book you've taken in the notebook. We would love donations if you would like to add to our library.



Thank you!




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 'HouseParty', both pupils in Upper and Middle School when surveyed say they went on this social media app at home.

Please also take a look on our website at [Our Safeguarding](#) page where you will discover a range of links to on-line safety information.



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AGE RESTRICTION


13+

WHAT IS HOUSEPARTY?

HOW DO YOUNG PEOPLE USE IT?

Houseparty is a live streaming app described as a face-to-face social network where people 'drop in' on each other to video chat, leave messages and hang out in groups. The app is available for iOS, Android, macOS and Google Chrome and has tens of millions of users worldwide. It's important to note that children under the age of 13 must have a parent's permission to access the services, however, no proof of age is required to create an account.


Each time the app is opened, your child will be instantly connected to other users who are also on the app. Users can create group conversations of up to eight people at one time. Each time a person joins, the screen splits to show everyone who is part of the conversation. Your child can add contacts via phone numbers, search for their usernames, and share a link to their profile. They can have as many rooms as they want and move from chat to chat by swiping across the screen. Along with this functionality comes a few associated risks to be aware of...



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What parents need to know about

HOUSEPARTY



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"STRANGER DANGER"

Friends of friends can join conversations on the platform without the need to be connected or known to all the other users in the chat. Houseparty calls this feature 'Stranger Danger'. While it does alert users when individuals they may not know enter their chat room, it also suggests strangers might be a reason for 'party time'. There's also the danger of people attempting to deliberately mislead others by using false names or usernames.

SEXUALISED MESSAGES

People may use live streaming apps such as Houseparty to engage in inappropriate or illegal activities. There have been concerning reports directly linked to Houseparty, including one incident where two Mancunian children aged 11 and 12 were reportedly targeted by men exposing themselves back in 2017. Outside of their close friendship group, it's also important to note that friends of friends can also connect with your child via the app, which may include people with this intention.

CONTENT BEING SHARED

The 'facemail' feature lets users share moments from their Houseparty conversations by recording and sharing 15-second snippets of chats. They also have the option to save these moments to their gallery. For privacy purposes, every member of the group will see a notification if another member is recording - this could be a concern if your child shares something in the live chat they may later regret. Once recorded, they lose control over the video and how it is used. Screenshots of live streams and private messages can also be taken which could be shared widely and embarrass users.

CYBERBULLYING


Cyberbullying is when people use technology to harass, threaten, embarrass, or target another person. Group chats can be used by bullies to make negative or hurtful comments which may cause offence or be harmful to others in the group. Exclusion from friendship groups within the platform may make your child feel sad and left out/socially excluded.

OVERSHARING PERSONAL INFORMATION

Children often don't understand the risks involved in giving out too much personal information in a live stream or within their profile. They may also be less protective of personal details during online conversations. One example of this within a live chat could be their background revealing information about where they live or go to school without realising.


IN-APP PURCHASES

By tapping on the dice icon your child can play a game called 'Heads Up!' where one person gives clues to describe someone or something and the other players guess. Three cards are included for free but additional decks cost real money. There's the potential for your child to get carried away playing the game while working up a small fortune.



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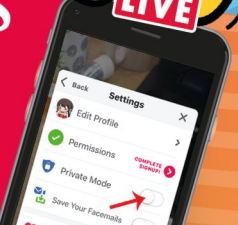
Top Tips for Parents



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TURN ON PRIVATE MODE

One additional tip is to use the app settings to turn on 'Private Mode' which automatically locks the room, instead of doing it manually. Parents with questions can always email us at hello@houseparty.com



SAFER CONVERSATIONS

With live streaming being such a popular feature on apps, it is important that you are aware of the dangers associated with it in order to protect your child effectively. Have regular and honest conversations with your child about what apps they are using and how they are using them. It may be a good idea to have your child show you how they use Houseparty and how to navigate through the platform so you are aware of how it works.

PROTECT THEIR PRIVACY

Your child may unknowingly give away personal information during a live stream, including their location. Talk to them about what constitutes 'personal information' and make sure they do not disclose anything to anyone during a live stream, even to their friends. Advise them to remove any items in their live stream (school uniform, street name, posters etc.) that could potentially expose their location or personal information. Check your child's privacy settings thoroughly. You have the option to opt out of certain uses and disclosures of personal information, such as turning off the app's location sharing option.

REMOVE LINKS TO OTHER APPS

Users can link their account to both Facebook and Snapchat, or can simply share a link to their profile. We advise that you remove these links and remind your child not to publicly share access to their online profiles as there is the potential for strangers to get hold of your child's information or communicate with them.

CHECK COMMUNICATIONS

Also, it's important to be aware of who is on their friends list and who they are communicating with. Remind your child to not communicate with people they do not know and trust. If they experience something on the app that makes them feel uncomfortable then they should tell a trusted adult immediately. Remind your child that if they get an invite to join a Houseparty room from someone they don't recognise, then they should ignore the request.

PROTECTING YOUR CHILD'S DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

As the videos are live, it may lead to the misconception that whatever happens in the video will disappear once the live stream ends. All content shared on the app can be recorded or screenshots and shared to a wider community. It is important that your child knows that what they do now may affect their future opportunities. In addition to this, the video chats can't be reviewed later which means unless a parent or carer is sitting nearby during a call, they won't know what has been said. It's worth bearing in mind that parents can see when their child has last communicated with someone and for how long for under the 'We Time' feature.

BE PRESENT

A study conducted by the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) found that 96% of streams showed a child on their own, often in their bedroom or bathroom. If your child is going to conduct a live stream, ask them if you could be present for it. This will give you a greater understanding of what your child is doing during their live streams and who they are streaming to.

'LOCK' ROOMS

In regards to communicating with users on the platform, we advise that your child uses the 'lock' feature to make their conversations private. This means that other users, especially strangers, can't join their conversations.

REPORTING AND BLOCKING

If your child faces a problem while using the app they can report direct to the platform by shaking their phone. A prompt will pop up allowing you to report issues immediately by clicking on the 'report now' button. They also have the option to report and block users directly on the user's profile.



Topical Discussions

During each week Upper School and Middle School pupils have the opportunity to voice opinions about topical issues. It isn't necessarily their opinion they are saying as we phrase our answers as "Some people might say that..." so that we can appreciate another person's thoughts. Maybe continue discussions of these at home.

Last week's questions included 'Why is there a Women's Day and not a Men's Day?' 'Should there be gender specific jobs?'



Birthdays this week

Spencer for 15th March

Reuben for 16th March

Attendance guidance for students exhibiting symptoms of COVID

In line with the DFE guidance, pupils with the **key symptoms** of COVID-19 should not attend the school.

Dates for the diary:-

Friday 18th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 18th March	Library Van
Friday 1st April	School Closes for Easter
Friday 15th April	Primary School Places Confirmed
Tuesday 19th April	School reopens
Friday 28th April	Library Van
Monday 11th July	Yr 6 Trip to Hothersall
Tuesday 12th July	Yr 6 Trip to Humblescough Farm

Clubs:-

MONDAY 14th	8:00am—8.50am Breakfast Club 3.30pm—4.30pm Forest School with Mrs Nash
TUESDAY 15th	8:00am—8.50am Breakfast Club 3.30pm—4.30pm Tennis with Simon Ardron
WEDNESDAY 16th	8:00am—8.50am Breakfast Club 3.30pm—4.30pm Multi-skills Sports Club with Corey from Fleetwood Town
THURSDAY 17th	8:00am—8.50am Breakfast Club 3.30pm—4.30pm Afterschool Games, Construction and Arts Club with Mrs Welsh
FRIDAY 18th	8:00am—8.50am Breakfast Club 3.30pm—4.30pm Multi-skills Sports Club with Corey from Fleetwood Town

Local Event

Aid for Ukraine

1st Catforth Scout Group and YIPS are organising a local collection

Sunday 20th March

1pm – 3pm at YIPS

(Nelson Gardens Inskip)

Clothing Footwear Bedding

Dried food (at least 12months date)

Reusable thermos mugs

Toiletries sleeping bags

cooking pots and pans

boxes and bags for us to package

The Scouts will sort and package the donations and then our adult volunteers will fill their vehicles and take to the local depot of International Aid Trust for onwards transport to Europe.

Please note: we are unable to accept donations outside of these times.

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