

Shilbottle Primary Newsletter

Week 24 – 13 March 2020



Today everyone came to school wearing their sporty clothes and were raring to run!

Together we have raised **£ 142.00** for sports relief 😊



After School from 24 Feb

Monday	Ceilidh Band	Y2 – Y6
Tuesday	Football Foundation [Girls only]	R – Y6
Wednesday		All
Thursday	Highland Dancing	R – Y4
Friday	Rugby	Y4 – Y6

Monday's Where in the World Assembly

The country is **NAMIBIA** for those who would like to do a little research beforehand!

STAR OF THE WEEK

- RECEPTION: Jeni H
 YEAR 1: Archie S
 YEAR 2: Lucas A
 YEAR 3: James P
 YEAR 4: Erin A
 YEAR 5: Kenzie A
 YEAR 6: All of Year 6



We are working closely with and following advice



from Northumberland County Council and Public Health England with regard to the Coronavirus.

Can you please ensure your ParentMail details are up-to-date and that you regularly check your emails and messages as we will use this method to inform you about any required action.

Many thanks, Mr Parnaby

BEST PRESENTATION & HANDWRITING

- RECEPTION: Tommy C
 YEAR 1: Anna S
 YEAR 2: Archie B
 YEAR 3: James G
 YEAR 4: Jay T
 YEAR 5: Lillie-May H
 YEAR 6: Lucy S



HEAD TEACHER AWARD



KS1 Elliott Russell



KS2 Jacob Johnson



ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK

Yr 3 & Yr 5



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On Wednesday our pupils joined thousands of other pupils from around the world in singing the Sing Up Song – *There's a power in the music.*

TUESDAY, 24th March @ Friendly Frogs

1:00 – 3:00



Free

Come along and join us for some fun.



EVERYONE welcome. 😊

CENTRE for LIFE – 12 March 2020

On Thursday, our Year 5 and Year 2 classes travelled to Newcastle for an exciting day at the Centre for Life. Year 2 discovered the importance of Charles Darwin [1809 – 1882] while Year 5 became chemists! Both classes enjoyed revisiting their space topics from before Christmas – it was amazing the facts they could remember 😊



ROCK YOUR SOCKS

— FOR —
WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

3.21



Now that SPORT RELIEF is over for another year our attention moves to next week and **ROCK YOUR SOCKS for WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY** – as a school we decided that on **FRIDAY, 20 March**

we would like the children to come to school in their uniform [KS2 in their P.E. kits as usual] wearing their odd, funky or fun socks 😊 We hope this will begin to raise the awareness of Down Syndrome amongst our pupils and the wider school community.

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Omegle is a website that pairs random strangers for live text or video chats. It first launched in 2009 and its slogan is "Talk to strangers!" There is an option for adult (18+) content and a section for people aged 13+ with parental permission. Anyone can use the site. Users simply go to Omegle.com and then choose 'Text' or 'Video' chat and the page states how many users are currently online. Depending on the time of day this can be hundreds of thousands. Omegle markets itself as a great way to meet new friends however has been known to feature pornography and inappropriate content within chats, so it's important parents are aware of the risks associated with the site.



What parents need to know about

OMEGLE



NO AGE VERIFICATION MEASURES

Omegle is completely free to use and allows users to communicate with others without the need to register, supply an email address or create a profile. This means users can remain anonymous and it's hard to trust who your children are talking to. Furthermore, there are no age verification measures and other than agreeing to the terms and conditions, your child can easily start online engagement with strangers and potentially access more adult themed content.



RISK OF CYBERBULLYING

The anonymity of Omegle can increase the risk of cyberbullying on the site. Engaging in chat with strangers means that topics of conversation can lead almost anywhere including discussions about looks, body image or the sharing of other personal information. With the availability of video chat as well, this could lead to children being coerced or forced into carrying out activities online which could then be used against them.



UNMODERATED CHAT

Omegle encourages video chat as much as it can, prompting users during their text chat to activate their web cam. Whilst text chat has a degree of moderation, the content in Omegle's video chat rooms is not moderated by administrators and, at any time of the day, there can be thousands of users online. This means that your child could easily come across illegal, unacceptable or inappropriate images or media. Omegle currently offers no function for reporting online abuse or inappropriate behaviour on its site and instead only offers advice to 'please be careful'. It also advises to 'Use Omegle at your own peril. Disconnect if anyone makes you feel uncomfortable!'



PRIVACY RISK VIA FACEBOOK

Omegle can be linked to a user's Facebook account to match their interests and likes with other users. This means that Omegle can access your child's basic Facebook information, and Facebook friends may potentially view Omegle activity. In addition, users can save the chat log and share the link without the other user's knowledge. It is not uncommon then for users to request being added to Snapchat, Instagram or WhatsApp for further interaction, moving the conversation into a more personal setting.



RISK OF EXPLOITATION

Omegle chat picks another user at random and there is very little way of verifying who your child may be chatting to. This can lead to a number of risks including catfishing (users pretending to be of similar age), identity theft (users eliciting information to commit fraud) and sexual/psychological grooming (users coercing others to act in a way or do something they wouldn't normally do).



ADULT THEMED CONTENT

Unfortunately, Omegle is infamous for its pornographic content and it is not uncommon for users to expose themselves or engage in sexual acts. If a user selects video chat, then the other user's webcam will automatically be switched on before the action to 'end chat' can be selected. There is also no 'preview' in smaller thumbnail windows. As video chat is so easy to access, it means that unintentionally viewing more mature, inappropriate or even illegal images can't always be avoided.



Safety Tips For Parents



DISCUSS RISKS WITH YOUR CHILD

It's important to speak to your child about the dangers of Omegle. Guiding and educating young children is far more useful than ignoring the possibility of Omegle being accessed. Explain to your child that Omegle is not completely anonymous and that other users will and do use Omegle to exploit others. Try to emphasise the risk of speaking to strangers and that engaging online is no different to engaging offline.



PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Omegle does not provide advice about how to protect your personal information so it's important that children are aware of what they should and shouldn't share online and with whom. If they use Omegle, always advise against sharing any personal information such as their real name, age, phone number, address or any other personal identifiable information. This also includes details of their social media accounts or gaming IDs. You should also adjust your child's Facebook settings to control what information is shared with Omegle.



REPORT CONCERNS

If your child comes across any inappropriate content or something which upsets them on Omegle, then it's important that they are able to discuss it with you and that you provide them with the support they need. If you think the content is illegal, then it must be reported to the police.



DISCOURAGE VIDEO CHAT

Try to discourage your child from using video chat on Omegle. Not only is there no filters or moderation in place, but children may be coerced into sharing intimate images or videos of themselves, which is illegal if they are under 18 and may be used against them. Omegle text chat has a degree of moderation controlled by Omegle through software and several actual moderators. The software moderates, identifies and prevents certain words and sequences of words to try and prevent bullying and grooming however is still not a 100% failsafe.



TRY OMEGLE YOURSELF

It's always an excellent idea to get a feel for the website or app your child is using so that you can see and understand the issues and risks for yourself. More importantly, it will also provide you with first-hand experience of the risks and dangers. If/when you decide to speak to your child about Omegle and what they need to be aware of.



USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Omegle is a website chat service. Children can only access the text chat on their phone and would need access to a PC or laptop to engage in video chat. If you have genuine concerns over Omegle and don't wish your child to access the site, you can add www.omegle.com to the list of banned websites and URLs. However, it's important to remember that Omegle can still be used via a web browser on an iPad, tablet, smart TV or gaming device and similar controls would need to be implemented on each of these devices separately.



Meet our expert

Jonathan Taylor is an online safety expert and former Covert Internet Investigator for the Metropolitan Police. He is a specialist in online grooming and exploitation and has worked extensively with both UK and international schools in delivering training and guidance around the latest online dangers, social media apps and platforms.





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Dates at a glance [so far...]

Mon 16 Mar	Starbucks	Reception	9:00 – 11:00
Mon 16 Mar	RNLI assembly	Whole School	9:45 – 10:15
Thurs 19 Mar	SATS Boosters	Year 6	After school
Fri 20 Mar	Down Syndrome Awareness Day	Whole School	8:45 – 3:15
Tues 26 Mar	Stay & Play @ Friendly Frogs	0 – 4 and parents!	1:00 – 3:00
Wed 25 Mar	League Football v St Paul's [away]	U11 team	3:30 – 4:30
Thurs 26 Mar	SATS Boosters	Year 6	After school
Fri 27 Mar	TBC: Girls Football @ Whittingham	KS2 team	TBC
Wed 1 Apr	League Football v Longhoughton [away]	U11 team	3:30 – 4:30
1 Apr – 3 Apr	Residential	Year 3 / Year 4	All day
Wed 1 Apr	DCHS treasure hunt		4:00 – 5:30
Thurs 2 Apr	Quicksticks Festival @ DCHS	Year 3 – Year 6	3:30 – 5:00
Thurs 2 Apr	SATS Boosters	Year 6	After school
Fri 3 Apr	END of TERM	Whole School	
4 Apr – 19 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAY ☺		
Wed 22 Apr	Bailiffgate Museum - VIKINGS	Year 4	All day
Wed 29 Apr	School Games Quadkids qualifier	U9 [Y4 – Y3 team]	9:30 – 12:00
Wed 29 Apr	School Games Quadkids qualifier	U11 [Y5 – Y6 team]	12:45 – 3:00
Fri 8 May	BANK HOLIDAY for VE day	Whole School	All day
11 – 14 May	KS2 SATS	Year 6	9:00 – 12:00
23 - 31 May	MAY ½ TERM		
Mon 1 June	STAFF TRAINING – SCHOOL CLOSED		
3 – 5 June	London residential	Year 6	All day
Thurs 18 June	Kirkley Hall Zoo	Year 1	All day
Fri 19 June	Maths Challenge @ DCHS	Year 6	All day
Tues 23 June	Musical Roots @ Alnwick Garden	Year 3 / Year 4 / Ceilidh	All day
Thurs 25 June	Northumberland School Games Day		All day
Fri 26 June	Sports Day & School Fair	Whole School	1:00 – 3:00
Wed 1 July	Northumberland County Zoo	Reception	All day
Fri 3 July	Maths Day @ DCHS	Year 5	TBC
Fri 17 July	End of Term	Whole School	2:00
18 July	SUMMER HOLIDAY ☺		

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What's on in the wider community...

Alnmouth Golf Club	Alnmouth Golf Club - juniors
Alnmouth Juniors FC	Thursday night training
Alnwick Academy of Dance	Alnwick Academy of Dance
Alnwick Bears RLFC	www.alnwickbears.co.uk
Alnwick Highland Dancers	Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00, Lindisfarne Middle School Hall Reception upwards
Alnwick Junior Harriers	Tuesday & Thursday 6 – 7 pm @ Lindisfarne Sports Centre contact Alison Hutchings on: ah.juniorharriers@gmail.com
Alnwick Town Juniors FC	http://www.alnwicktownjuniors.co.uk/
Amble Junior Netball	Thursday evenings [6:30 – 7:30pm] for Y3 upwards at James Calvert Spence College [JCSC] Amble. Y2 are welcome but parents need to stay. £1.50 per week.
Alnwick Mini & Juniors Rugby [Year 1 upwards]	Every Sunday 10:30 – 12 noon ☺ Year 1 – Year 3 = tag rugby; Year 4 upwards = contact rugby.
Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	Wednesday evenings, Felton or Alnwick info@northumberlandscouts.org.uk
Coquet Shorebase	https://www.coquetshorebase.org.uk/ windsurfing, kayaking, sailing and more
Cricket	Juniors [Y3 – Y8] Alnmouth, Alnwick, Warkworth Cricket Clubs
Dansformation	Dansformation Thursday 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. @ Alnwick Playhouse
FC Amble Juniors	FC Amble Juniors
Felton Juniors FC	Felton juniors
Judo Alnwick	Alnwick Judo https://www.getintomartialarts.com Monday, 4:00 – 4:45 pm
Karate	Monday and Friday evenings @ Willowburn
Longhoughton Rangers FC	Longhoughton Rangers Football Club
Morpeth Junior Hockey	Morpeth Juniors Hockey Club Sunday 9:30 – 11:00
Rainbows, Brownies and Guides	Register your interest at https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk/ Monday evenings during term time at Warkworth Primary School.

CAN YOU THINK OF ANY OTHER CLUBS WE COULD ADD?

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