

Freeman's Endowed Church of England Junior Academy Newsletter

'Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.' 1 John 3:18

World Book Day 2022



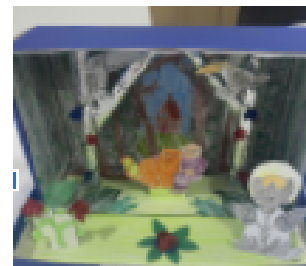
We had a fantastic day on World Book Day!
All of the classes used the book Meerkat Mail as a stimulus for their activities during the day and we even had a visit from a very special Meerkat called Kitkat!
The children also took part in a Book Hunt, they dressed up in brilliant outfits and had lots of book-themed fun!
Thank you to everyone who took part!



Book in a Box Competition!



We had some amazing entries into our 'Book in a Box' Competition! We were all extremely impressed by the creativity, care and attention to detail that had gone into creating them. The staff all voted for their favourites and the overall winners were Delilah from Year 3 and Ellie from Year 6! Congratulations to you both!

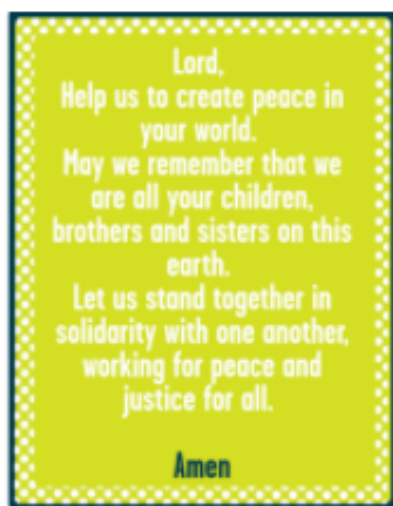


Key Dates

- Tuesday 8th March - Cricket Taster Day - all children to wear PE kit please.
- Week beginning 14th March - Science Week
- Week beginning 28th March - Easter Activities
- Friday 1st April - Easter Service
9.30 am Year 3 and Year 6
10.45am Year 4 and Year 5

Parents/Carers are welcome to come to the Service (2 people per pupil)

- **Parents' Evenings** will take place during the week beginning the 28th March. (We sent an email regarding the organisation of Parents' Evenings yesterday).



Worries and Concerns

Many of our children have been talking about things they have seen online or on the news regarding the conflict in Ukraine. Please do check in with your children and help them to avoid misinformation such as some of the information being shared on TikTok.

First News have produced an informative, age appropriate article for children about the Russian invasion of Ukraine, which can be accessed via the link below...

<https://www.freemansendowed.org/index.php/parents/letters-home>



Cricket Taster Session

All year groups will be taking part in the cricket session on Tuesday. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE Kit on Tuesday 8th March.



Our **Values Champions** this week are:

Year 3: Ivy

Year 4: Jakub

Year 5: Mia

Year 6: Adesh

Well done to all of our Values Champions!



Stars of the Week:

Year 3: **Dahl Class:** Diaz

Donaldson Class: Joyce

Year 4: **Kerr Class:** Deniz

Zephaniah Class: Toma

Year 5: **Rowling Class:** Finley L

Horowitz Class: Charlotte

Year 6: **Pullman Class:** Laura

Morpurgo Class: Charlotte

Well done to all of our Stars of the Week for showing outstanding behaviour and excellent effort in their work.

Presentation Awards

Year 3: **Dahl Class:** Galia

Donaldson Class: Ryan

Year 4: **Kerr Class:** Harry E

Zephaniah Class: Jay

Year 5: **Rowling Class:** Lexi C

Horowitz Class: Lola

Year 6: **Pulman Class:** Harry Y

Morpurgo Class: Madison

Dojo Champions of the Week



Our Class of the Week with the highest number of Dojo points is Kerr Class!

Our House of the Week with the highest number of Dojo points is the Stealbacks house!

100% Attendance Award: Temitayo - Morpurgo Class (Year 6)

Out of school awards: Isabella - Hotshots Player of the Month

Shamar - Football Skills Award

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



WHATSAPP

UK AND EUROPE
16+
13+ REST OF THE WORLD

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Fraudsters occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to win. Other common scams involve warning someone that their WhatsApp subscription has run out (aiming to dupe them into disclosing payment details) or impersonating a friend or relative and asking for money to be transferred to help with an emergency.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days by default. Photos and videos can also be instructed to disappear after the recipient has viewed them. These files can't be saved or forwarded – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove any wrongdoing. However, the receiver can take a screenshot and save that as evidence.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India in 2018, some outbreaks of mob violence appear to have been sparked by false allegations being shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hazardous theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

Group chat and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by an unkind comment or joke. The 'only admins' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a WhatsApp chat, you only need the mobile number of the person you want to message (the other person also needs to have the app). WhatsApp can access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts also use the app. So if your child has ever given their phone number to someone they don't know, that person could use it to contact them via WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

The 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a "simple and secure way to let people know where you are." It is a useful method for a young person to let loved ones know they're safe – but if they used it in a chat with people they don't know, they would be exposing their location to them, too.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CLICK HERE

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's phone number to add them as a contact, it's also worth altering a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody' – choosing one of the latter two ensures that your child's profile is better protected.



EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.



REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they'll be given the option to report it as spam. If the sender claims to be a friend or relative, call that person on their usual number to verify it really is them, or if it's someone trying to trick your child.



LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they don't want to be part of, they can use WhatsApp's group settings to leave. If someone exits a group, the admin can add them back in once; if they leave a second time, it is permanent.



THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'live location' function to show you or one of their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives a range of 'live location' options, and your child should manually stop sharing their position as soon as it is no longer needed.



DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child posts a message they want to delete, WhatsApp allows the user seven minutes to erase a message. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone.' However, it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.



CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was true or not.



Meet Our Expert

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