

Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

Caring, Sharing, Learning Together

Friday, 4th May 2018

This day in history

1626 Indians sell Manhattan Island for \$24 in cloth and buttons

2011 “May the 4th be with you” The first organized celebration of *Star Wars* Day took place in Toronto, Canada



Whole School Attendance

Year 1 = 93.2%
Year 2 = 90.7%
Year 3 = 99.6%
Year 4 = 88.6%
Year 5 = 89.6%
Year 6 = 99.3%



Congratulations

Well Done Year 1 for the best attendance in Lower School and Year 6 for the best attendance in Upper School.

Our school target is 96%.

Calendar Dates

May Half Term Monday 28th of May to Friday 1st of June
School re-opens Monday 4th of June.

Transition Meetings to meet your child's new teacher for Sept 2018

Monday 11th June, 2.30 – New Reception Parents Meeting
Tuesday 12th June, 2.30 – New Year 1 Parents Meeting
Thursday 14th June, 3.00 – New Year 6 Parents Meeting
Monday 18th June, 2.30 – New Year 2 Parents Meeting
Tuesday 19th June, 2.30 – New Year 3 Parents Meeting Upper School
Wednesday 20th June, 3.00 – New Year 5 Parents Meeting
Thursday 21st June, 3.00 – New Year 4 Parents Meeting

Wednesday 9th May – Year 3 trip to Botanical Gardens
Monday 14th May – Year 2 SATs testing begins
Wednesday 13th June – Year 5 visit to French Bus
Thursday 14th June – Father's Day Picnic, Upper School
Friday 15th June – Father's Day Picnic, Lower School
Tuesday 19th June – Mrs Hannon transition work with Year 2
Thursday June 21st June – Year 2 Transition to Year 3, Morning
Tuesday 26th June - Year 2 Transition to Year 3, Morning & Lunch
Wednesday 27th June – Key Stage One Transition, children will have an opportunity to spend time in their new classes with new teachers.
Thursday 28th June – Upper School Summer Fayre
Friday 29th June – Lower School Summer Fayre
Monday 2nd July – Sports Day Upper School p.m.
Tuesday 3rd July – Year 6 Induction Day, Consett Academy
Tuesday 3rd July – Upper School Transition Day – all pupils spend half day in the new class from Year 2 to Year 5
Wednesday 4th July – Sports Day Lower School p.m.
Thursday 5th July – 2nd Lower School Transition p.m.
Tuesday 10th July – Lower School Parent's Evening
Wednesday 11th July – Lower & Upper School Parent's Evening
Thursday 12th July – Upper School Parent's Evening
Thursday 12th July – Lower School Trip to the Beach
Wednesday 18th July – School Picnic, Upper School Field, p.m.
Thursday 19th July - Leavers Party / Disco, Year 2 and Year 6, p.m.

End of Year Class Assemblies

Monday 16th July – Year 1, 9.10am & Year 3, 10.30am
Tuesday 17th July – Reception, 9.10am & Year 4, 10.30am
Wednesday 18th July - Nursery, 9.10am Year 5, 10.30am
Thursday 19th July - Year 2, 9.10 am Year 6, 10.30am

Bank Holiday

Please note Monday 7th of May is a bank holiday and school will be closed. We re-open on Tuesday 8th of May.

Mathletics Hall of Fame

1st Brandon B (Y6) Fraser T (Y3)
2nd Brandon J (Y2)
3rd Skye L (Y6)
4th Lewis L (Y6)
5th Ella N (Y6)

Keep up the good work!



Family Fun Night

Miss Debbie is organising a Family Fun Night to raise money for the school on Friday 15th June at Consett Football Club. There will be a disco, games, tombola, raffles and live entertainment from X Factor contestant Melissa Pedro. Tickets are £4 and available from the school offices.



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Girls Football

Congratulations to the Year 6 Girls Football team for competing in the Football semi – finals of the County Cup on Wednesday 2nd of May at Lumley Juniors. Unfortunately we didn't make it to the final but well done for making it so far.



Parent's Meetings

As part of our planned transition this year we will be holding parents meetings for parents across Lower School and parents new to Upper School. This will give parents an opportunity to meet the class teacher and learn a little about the class your child will be moving into. This is especially important for these age groups as it often involves a change in key stage and a move to a new building and a shift in curriculum.

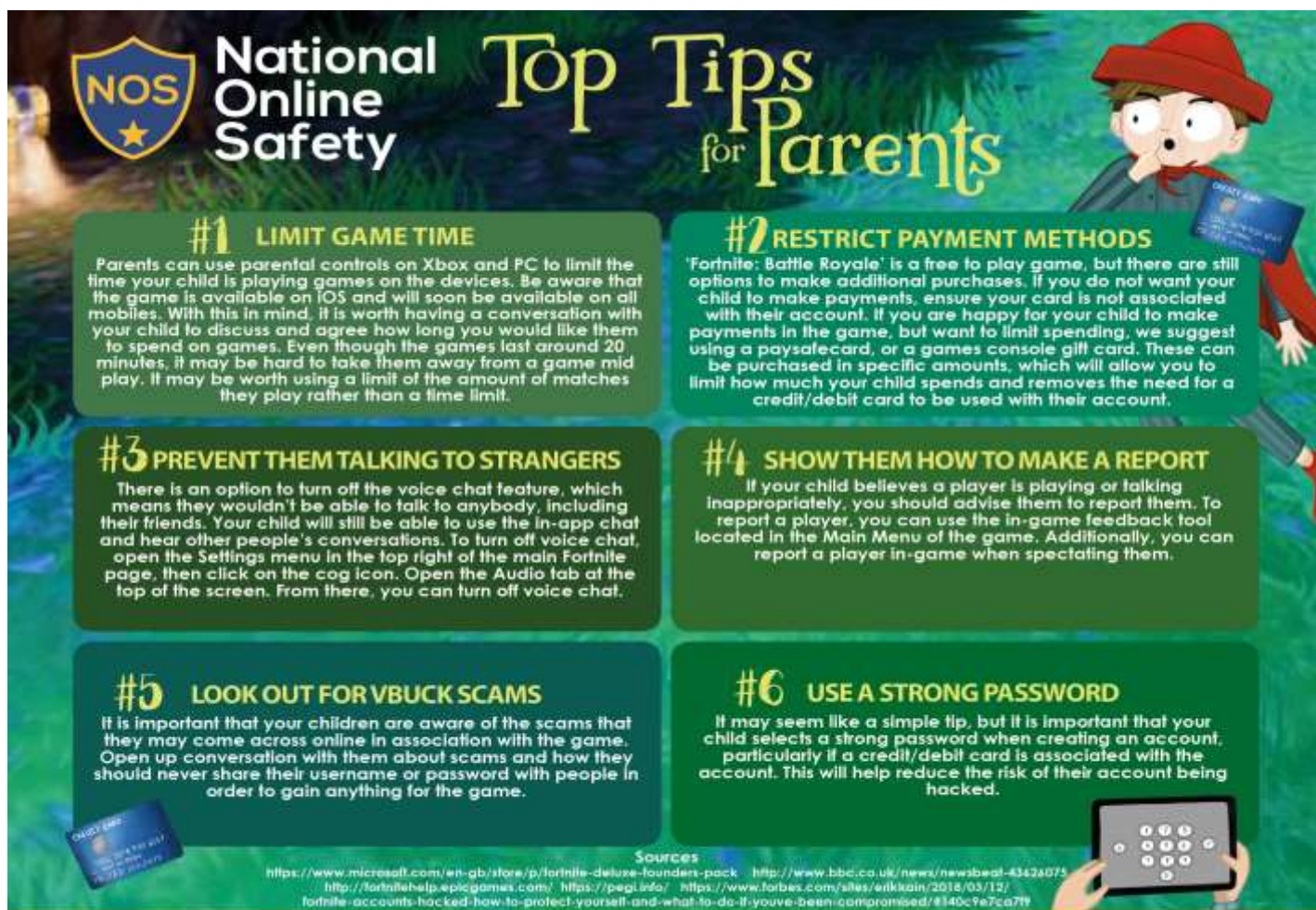
Please check the diary dates to find out which day your new class will be holding its meeting, further reminders and letters will follow nearer the time.

E Safety

Are your pupils playing Fortnite: Battle Royale?



You may have come across your children talking about the game Fortnite. As with many online games, Fortnite: Battle Royale comes with risks to children and young people. The game is PEGI rated at 12+ however, there is no proof of age required, which can expose younger children to violent content as well as inappropriate comments from older users. Please see the guide below for parents with more information about the game to help you keep children safe.



NOS National Online Safety

Top Tips for Parents

#1 LIMIT GAME TIME
Parents can use parental controls on Xbox and PC to limit the time your child is playing games on the devices. Be aware that the game is available on iOS and will soon be available on all mobiles. With this in mind, it is worth having a conversation with your child to discuss and agree how long you would like them to spend on games. Even though the games last around 20 minutes, it may be hard to take them away from a game mid play. It may be worth using a limit of the amount of matches they play rather than a time limit.

#2 RESTRICT PAYMENT METHODS
'Fortnite: Battle Royale' is a free to play game, but there are still options to make additional purchases. If you do not want your child to make payments, ensure your card is not associated with their account. If you are happy for your child to make payments in the game, but want to limit spending, we suggest using a paysafecard, or a games console gift card. These can be purchased in specific amounts, which will allow you to limit how much your child spends and removes the need for a credit/debit card to be used with their account.

#3 PREVENT THEM TALKING TO STRANGERS
There is an option to turn off the voice chat feature, which means they wouldn't be able to talk to anybody, including their friends. Your child will still be able to use the in-app chat and hear other people's conversations. To turn off voice chat, open the Settings menu in the top right of the main Fortnite page, then click on the cog icon. Open the Audio tab at the top of the screen. From there, you can turn off voice chat.

#4 SHOW THEM HOW TO MAKE A REPORT
If your child believes a player is playing or talking inappropriately, you should advise them to report them. To report a player, you can use the in-game feedback tool located in the Main Menu of the game. Additionally, you can report a player in-game when spectating them.

#5 LOOK OUT FOR VBUCK SCAMS
It is important that your children are aware of the scams that they may come across online in association with the game. Open up conversation with them about scams and how they should never share their username or password with people in order to gain anything for the game.

#6 USE A STRONG PASSWORD
It may seem like a simple tip, but it is important that your child selects a strong password when creating an account, particularly if a credit/debit card is associated with the account. This will help reduce the risk of their account being hacked.

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