

# Leadgate Primary School – Friday Newsletter

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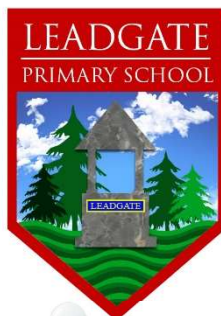
**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

On this day :

**1903** Pepsi Cola company forms

**1915** The foundation of the British Women's Institute

**1963** First woman in space, Soviet cosmonaut Valentina V. Tereshkova became the first woman to travel in space, having been launched into orbit aboard the spacecraft Vostok 6, which completed 48 orbits in 71 hours.



## Whole School Attendance Weekly Attendance figures

★ Reception = 95.6%★

Year 1 = 88.3%

Year 2 = 93.8 %

Year 3 = 92.4%

Year 4 = 87.2%

★Year 5 = 95%★

Year 6 = 85%



### Congratulations

Well Done Reception Class  
for the best attendance in Lower  
School and Year 5  
for the best attendance in Upper  
School.

## SEND Coffee Morning

Leadgate Primary School

Join us for our

### SEND COFFEE AFTERNOON

Wednesday 28th June 2pm

### LOWER SITE

Does your child have a special educational need?  
Would you like the chance to speak to other  
parents and share experiences?  
Please come along and join us for a 'cuppa and  
conversation'. Everyone is welcome!



Feeding  
Families

**Boxes available now!**

Pop into Lower School and collect a box of  
essentials from Reception. Kindly supplied by  
feeding families for those who need them.

## HOT WEATHER

Please ensure children have appropriate clothing  
to cover shoulders and sun hats where possible to  
protect heads and faces. That they arrive wearing  
sunscreen however, we do have sunscreen in  
school which will be applied if you have given  
consent



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## School Dates



### School Holiday Dates

The next school Holiday is the Summer Holiday and school will close on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July



### School Dates and Holidays

- 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> June – Adam Bushnell Author Visit to school
- 21<sup>st</sup> June – Mental Health Support Team Year 6 transition visit
- 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Year 6 Visit to Hamsterley Forest
- 27<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Rugby Festival – Consett Academy
- 28<sup>th</sup> June – SEND Coffee Afternoon
- 28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 5 South Moor Golf club visit
- 29<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Visit to Blanchland
- 30<sup>th</sup> June – Upper School Street Games Training sessions
- 4<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3 and 4 Cricket at Consett Cricket
- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Transition Days at Consett Academy
- 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July Parent report afternoon and evenings
- 11<sup>th</sup> July - EYFS Beach Visit
- 11<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 Synagogue and Discovery Museum Visit
- 12<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Fayre
- 12<sup>th</sup> July – Nursery Sports Day 9.30
- 13<sup>th</sup> July - Keystage 1 and Reception Sports Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> July – 1.15pm Upper School Sports day
- 14<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Cake and Craft session Year 1 and 2
- 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 Moving Up Party
- 18<sup>th</sup> July – 1.15 Year 6 Leavers Celebration and Moving Up – Parents to Attend
- 21<sup>st</sup> July – School Closes for Summer Holidays

### Transition Events

#### EYFS

- 19<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Parents meeting with Miss Pedro 3.30 – 4.30 including tour of school
- 26<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Children and Parents Stay and Play 1.30 – 2.30pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July - New Reception Children only Stay and Play
- 5<sup>th</sup> July – Early Years Stay and Play

#### Keystage 1

- 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Transition afternoon
- 6<sup>th</sup> July - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Transition Morning

#### Keystage 2

- 6<sup>th</sup> July – Keystage 2 Transition Morning
- 7<sup>th</sup> July – Keystage 2 Transition Day

#### Year 6 to Year 7

- 12<sup>th</sup> May – Consett Academy Parental Coffee Morning
- 15<sup>th</sup> May – Consett Academy Parental Coffee afternoon
- 4<sup>th</sup> July - Academy staff to visit Year 6 and Teach Computing lesson – pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> July – Consett Academy Parent Evening 6-7pm and 7-8pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Children Full Day at Consett Academy
- 7<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Children Full Day at Consett Academy
- Additional lesson dates for Maths, English and Science taught by Academy staff to be confirmed

### Father's Day Lunch

We have had a lovely afternoon and it was so nice to welcome all the dads, uncles, grandads and brothers into school. Thank you to everyone for coming. It was fantastic to see everyone get involved in the games, crafts and enjoy their special lunch with the children. We certainly had lovely weather for the occasion.

A special thank you to all the staff who as always work so hard behind the scenes, making preparations beforehand and on the day making these special days happen!

Have a lovely weekend and let's hope the sun continues to shine.

# E-Safety Update / Information

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# OMETV

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

OmeTV is another app which encourages users to 'make friends from all around the world'. People can search profiles by age and gender and send direct messages or photos. However, the app is primarily used for video calls. When using this feature, users are connected at random, although only their country of origin is shared. People can then either choose to move on to the next chat or can stay in that call for as long as they wish.

### STRANGER DANGER

While young people generally know not to share personal information with strangers, the safety of their home and the distance offered by technology can make them feel more relaxed and uninhibited. Combined with the fact that OmeTV provides a webcam function – and anonymity – it can be an easy way for groomers to gather information, ask to connect on other social media platforms, or potentially request intimate images.

### EXPLICIT CONTENT

Unfortunately, there are a lot of users who use OmeTV's webcam feature to expose themselves. While users can swipe to the next call quickly, it's not something that can be filtered out completely – so young people could easily be exposed to highly inappropriate images.

### REPORTING DIFFICULTIES

When video calling, the other person's username is often hidden and therefore they can't be blocked or reported. There is a 'Report Abuse' tab at the bottom of the video, but the speed with which calls can swipe past can make it difficult to use this system. There's also little evidence to suggest that offenders are dealt with appropriately (through warnings or account termination, for example).

### AGE VERIFICATION

17+

Although the site states that users must be 18 or over, there's no way to verify this, and it's easy to use an existing Facebook account to log in, or for users to set up a fake account. To access OmeTV, users simply need to press a button confirming they're an adult, which means it's likely many users will claim to be much older than they are.

### VIDEO RECORDING

When young people are chatting live on a webcam, they could be coaxed by others into doing things they don't feel comfortable doing, or persuaded that no harm can come from it. What they don't know is whether the other user is recording them. These videos could then be used to embarrass or blackmail them, or they could be kept by a potential online predator.

### LIMITED PARENTAL CONTROLS

OmeTV has very limited parental controls. There is a 'safe mode', but this is of little practical use given that explicit content isn't filtered out. While the site lists several rules and regulations, there are few apparent ways to enforce them or restrict what users can see or do.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### FOLLOW AGE GUIDELINES

OmeTV has an age recommendation of 18 and over, which suggests the developers are aware that it may facilitate adult content. It's important to adhere to the age guidelines and try to restrict access to the app for younger users. If you find it on an under-18's device, talk to them about the potential risks and explain why they probably shouldn't be using it.

### DISCOURAGE CHATS WITH STRANGERS

Remind your child of the dangers of talking to strangers online. The anonymity OmeTV offers, plus its webcam function, makes it an attractive place for groomers to network and create inappropriate content. Explain that your child may see something which upsets them – and that it's a crime for anyone to expose themselves to a young person online.

### DISCUSS THE DANGERS

Maintain communication with your child about online safety and empower them to protect themselves. Simply deleting an app from their device impacts their independence and can cause resentment. Instead, highlight news reports of predators exposing themselves to children on the internet, and discuss what they should do if asked for explicit images.

### ENABLE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Regardless of how responsible your child may be, it's essential to use parental controls on their device. It's easy for young people to get lured in by others, feeling they've built up a trusting friendship and being coaxed into doing things they wouldn't normally do. Ensure in-app purchases aren't enabled on their device, and emphasise that they can always talk to you about anything online that worries them.

### Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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<https://www.wrtv.com/news/local-news/crime/indy-man-sentenced-to-15-years-for-owning-two-phones-with-nearly-2-000-files-of-children-being-actually-abused/> | <https://ome.tv/rules/>

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## Transition to Secondary School

Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust

The Piece of Mind Team invite you to attend a parent transition session.

When: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 @ 13.30 – 15.00  
Where: Via Microsoft Teams

### Why?

The transition from primary to secondary school is a time of great change for both children and parents. It can be an exciting time for many. However, some children may struggle with the big changes they are faced with.

### Aims

- Learn about Piece of Mind
- Understand what Cognitive Behaviour Therapy is.
- Gain an understanding of how big transitions can affect the wellbeing of you and your child.
- Learn ways to help your child to manage their worries and fears.
- Find out how to get further support

### What do Children Worry About?

- Getting lost.
  - Being bullied.
  - Discipline and detentions.
  - Homework.
  - Losing old friends.
- If any of these worries sound familiar why not come along and find out what you can do to help!

# SUMMER FAYRE

WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY 1.30PM

**TOMBOLA CAKE STALL RAFFLE**  
**ICE CREAM BOUNCY CASTLE**  
**FACE PAINTING HOT DOGS**  
**PICK A LOLLY HOOK A DUCK**  
**FIRE ENGINE NAME THE TED**  
**BOTTLE BAG and lots more!**

12TH JUL | 13.30PM – 15.00PM  
LOWER SITE, WEST STREET

★ COME and Join the FUN  
★ ALL WELCOME!

Dear Families,

This Summer Creative Kitchen is working in collaboration with Durham County Council, as part of the Fun and Food programme, to bring FREE holiday camps to families in Consett and surrounding areas. Our summer programme named SOW. COOK. GROW. combines our love for cooking, crafts and nature. Sessions are suitable for primary school aged children in reception to Year 6.. Children will participate in a range of fun interactive activities including grow your own, nature walks, mindfulness crafts and movement activities as well as cooking their own lunch/tea. We are running several drop-off sessions between Monday 24th July and Friday 25th August and are looking to run morning and afternoon sessions daily between 9am-4pm. To express an interest to join us this summer, please follow the link below and complete the expression of interest form.

There is no limit on the number of sessions you can attend, however places are limited and as sessions are funded priority will be given to those children in receipt of means tested free-school meals. Expression of interest form: <https://forms.gle/FdH8ecA4rLpRFWfp8> Summer 2023

When: Monday 24th July and Friday 25th August  
Times: 9-12.30 and 12.30-4pm  
Where: Crookhall Community Centre  
Cost: FREE