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#### **Dear Parents/Carers**

I would like to start this newsletter by congratulating some of our Year 2 writers. As you may have seen on our Facebook Page, we were able to share the exciting news that the competition we entered earlier this year called 'My Animal Diary' as part of Young Writers has now got back to us and 54 children have been selected to have their work published!! What an amazing achievement, I hope all the children feel very proud of their writing and enjoyed receiving their certificates.



#### **Duracell's 'Big Battery Hunt'**

We have had a great response to our Battery Challenge— Here are the totals so far:

Week 5: 777 Week 6: 249 Week 7: 0 Week 8: 47

Week 9: 135

**Sycamore Class** are the winners so far having collected an amazing 907 batteries! CONGRATULATIONS





#### On-Line Safety Tip of the Week Online Safety Tip

With many streaming platforms now available to our children, it is important we stay clued up on these & different apps to protect our children from accessing unsuitable content. See National Online Safety's guide attached: "What parents and carers need know about Disney+" for further information about keeping children safe when watching Disney+.



#### Meet our SENDCo morning

I would like to thank Katie Ireland for all her support in her role this past year as acting SENDCo while Ruth Perry went on maternity leave. She has done an amazing job and I am sure the parents who have met with Katie would agree! Ruth Perry is returning on 1st July and will return to the role of SENDCo and we thought that it would be a great opportunity to come and have a chat with both members of staff, especially if you have any SEND worries or concerns for the next academic year starting in September. This Meet the SENDCo morning will be on Tuesday 16th July from 09.00am. Please find following some information on the SEND local Offer



#### Support for families and young people with special educational needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

Explore the SEND Local Offer to find out what support there is available for young people with SEND and their families. Live Well B&NES includes details of wellbeing groups, social clubs, inclusive activities, holiday clubs, mental health support services and opportunities beyond formal education.

Dedicated information sections signpost to support around benefits and funding, Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP's), health services and how to access impartial advice and guidance from specialist teams.

Parent Carers of young people with SEND can identify ways they can access support for their role as a parent carer of a child with additional needs.

You can also apply for your child's free Rainbow Resource card providing discreet confirmation of their additional need, and enabling them to access dedicated activity sessions, quiet spaces and support, and in some cases concessions to venues across the South West. Visit the SEND Local Offer to find out more.



Congratulations to Bonnie-Mae who won a competition to be a mascot for Bath Rugby in the semi-final. She enjoyed watching the players train on the pitch, had a tour around their changing room and got to run out on the pitch too!

**Congratulations** to Dylan for entering the Wales and West Utilities CO Safety Competition and winning in the KS1 south west category! The judges were really impressed with Dylan's attention to detail, what a super effort and winning money for both yourself and the school! Many thanks...



As always, please feel free to come and talk to me if you have any questions or concerns. Best wishes Emily Omell



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#### Gem Power Winners



Gem Power Certificates celebrate the Gem Power Behaviours, We display the 🎇 🛞 🦠 names of the winners in the hall each week.

Names	Class	Gem Power	Reason for awarding the certificate
Astrid	Elder	Sapphire	for using super focus to memorise a new poem
Maisie B	Elder	Ruby	for being kind and friendly to visiting children
Maggie	Elder	Emerald	for standing in front of the class and talking about her trip
Louie C	Elder	Emerald	for settling back into school routine well
Atreus	Elder	Emerald	for super joining in with whole class reading and poetry
Rosie	Elder	Emerald	for drawing and writing a great postcard during challenge time
Alanah	Elder	Ruby	for playing kindly with a range of children
Oscar	Mulberry	Emerald	Fantastic effort in maths
Lexi	Mulberry	Emerald	for brilliant progress in reading
Lena	Mulberry	Emerald	for wonderful progress in reading
Louie D	Mulberry	Ruby	for being a really kind friend
Teddy	Mulberry	Ruby	for being a really kind friend
Grace	Mulberry	Emerald	for always following rules and being a kind friend
Summer	Mulberry	Emerald	for always trying really hard with all of her learning
Joseph	Hazel	Ruby	always being a kind and caring friend to everyone in Hazel Class
Ashleigh	Hazel	Sapphire	always being a super focused reader during book bag reading time
Jakub	Hazel	Emerald	producing some fantastic work about Mrs Armitage in English
Harper	Hazel	Emerald	having a go and trying really hard in phonics even when she's finding it tricky
Reggie T	Hazel	Emerald	always trying so hard to remember everything to include in his writing
Myla	Hawthorn	Emerald	for always having a go at her homework tasks each week
IJ	Hawthorn	Sapphire	for amazing focus when investigating the properties of different materials in Science
Finlay B	Hawthorn	Emerald	for amazing role play acting as the characters from the book 'On The Way Home'
Connor	Hawthorn	Emerald	for having a go at using the suffix 'ing' correctly in English
Dylan	Hawthorn	Sapphire	for amazing focus in ALL writing tasks, particularly when writing about the characters from 'On The Way Home'
Sam	Sycamore	Emerald	for giving all learning tasks a go especially writing pieces
Oscar	Sycamore	Emerald	for giving all subjects a go across the curriculum even when they seem trickier
Rubi Jane	Sycamore	Sapphire	for giving all focus to learning activities ALL the time
Magnus	Sycamore	Topaz	for always being a great team worker who listens to others
Edith	Sycamore	Sapphire	for super focus on all work but also for persevering to get thing done



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#### Gem Power Winners Continued....



Names	Class	Gem Power	Reason for awarding the certificate
Sofija	Magnolia	Emerald	for using her Emerald power to try really hard in her learning this week
Ellis	Magnolia	Ruby	for using his Ruby power to help his friends with their project in DT
Jacob V	Magnolia	Diamond	for using his Diamond power to solve addition and subtraction problems in maths
Leo	Magnolia	Ruby	for using his Ruby power to always be kind and helpful to adults and his friends
Isla	Magnolia	Sapphire	for using her Sapphire power to draw a brilliant detailed map of Paulton
Rollo	Maple	Emerald	for a brilliant effort to have a go in all of his learning
Eyoma	Maple	Amethyst	for fantastic paired work demonstrating respect and brilliant team work
Jack	Maple	Amethyst	for fantastic paired work demonstrating respect and brilliant team work
Archie	Maple	Sapphire	for a fantastic effort to use his Sapphire power to manage distractions when being independent.
Eloise	Maple	Sapphire	for a brilliant use of her Sapphire power to join in with whole class learning in the afternoons in Maple Class.
Kelsie	Maple	Emerald	for using Emerald power in all of her tasks and to tackle new challenges with a smile and positivity

#### Dates to remember:

24th June Second EYFS Play and Stay Session for the new September Starters at 3.30 pm 26th June Sports Day: KSI 9.00 am and EYFS 1.30 pm on Paulton Juniors Playing Field

1st July Bishops Palace Trip

4th July Transition Morning

5th July EYFS International Dress Up Day

5th July Summer Fair

9th July Yr. 2 Performance 2.00pm

10th July Yr. 2 Performance 9.30am

16th July Meet the SENDCo Meeting 9.00am

23rd July Last day of term

4th September First day of Autumn Term

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? The Walt Disney Company's streaming service, Disney+ combines entertainment from the famous animation studio itself with Pixar, Star and National Geographic, plus the Marvel and Star Wars franchises. With access to latest releases, Disney classics and original series, there's plenty of content to explore. While parents may have noted that adverts have now been introduced on some versions of the service, the platform is unsurprisingly for a Disney product – designed to be appropriate for the whole family.

#### LESS SUITABLE CONTENT

De\*#! While Disney+ is predominantly family friendly, there are some movies and shows in its library which are aimed at an older audience: these may scare younger ones or contain themes or language that you'd rather your child wasn't exposed to. You could avoid such situations by enabling Junior Mode (see 'Adjust content settings', below) or specifying a content age rating for your child's profile.

#### **BINGE WATCHING**

With the option to view content on any internet-enabled device and a growing catalogue of movies, cartoons and documentaries, Disney+ can make managing screen time difficult. This could result in children binge watching content, distracting them from activities like homework or socialising. Too much screen time has also been shown to negatively impact mood, sleep patterns and weight.

#### PHISHING EMAILS

Be especially cautious if you receive emails or text messages purporting to be from Disney+. There have been numerous reports of online scammers impersonating Disney+ staff in an attempt to gain access to subscribers' personal information. Disney+ states it will never email or call customers asking for their payment details, their private information or their password.

#### **ENCROACHING ADVERTS**

Disney+ has introduced a new subscription package – Disney+ Standard with Ads – which plays commercials before movies and during shows (like many TV channels). There are no adverts in Junior Mode, but profiles with a content rating of 6+ years will see ads appropriate for that age category. Adults who give consent will see personalised adverts based on their location and viewing history.

#### **ACCESSING ADULTS' PROFILES**

If adults don't set a PIN for their profile, children could access it and encounter content which isn't age appropriate. In the settings, Junior Mode has a toggle titled 'Kid-Proof Exit' which requires the user to read four words (numbers, spelled out) and enter them to switch profiles. For older children who can read, though, this isn't secure enough – so using a PIN for adult profiles is recommended.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

#### ADJUST CONTENT SETTINGS

When setting up an account, there's an option to create profiles in what's called Junior Mode. This generally covers material that's suitable for children up to age 6 and is therefore fairly limited. You can give older children a wider choice of viewing by building a standard profile, then going into the settings and choosing a content rating from one of the pre-set alternatives: 6+, 9+, 12+ or 14+.

#### TURN OFF AUTO-PLAY

When a cartoon, show or movie finishes, Disney+ uses algorithms to identify content with similar themes, which it thinks your child will also enjoy. This suggestion will then automatically begin to play by default. There's an option to turn off this auto-play function in the profile settings, which will encourage your child to take a break from the screen and move on to a different activity.

#### ADD PIN PROTECTION

Disney+ enables you to effectively lock profiles behind a four-digit PIN. In particular, some of the shows on the platform's Star content hub are far more oriented to adults (including several hard-hitting dramas from US networks), so protecting parents' or older siblings' profiles with a PIN will help to prevent younger children stumbling across material which isn't intended for them.

#### **ENJOY AS A FAMILY**

When your child watches a movie or show on Disney+ for the first time, you may want to sit with them to ensure it's suitable. You could do the same when introducing them to older films that you haven't seen for years: your perception of what's appropriate has very probably changed, and some of the language and attitudes in movies from your own childhood may seem quite shocking today.

#### Meet Our Expert













