

Gwladys Street CP & Nursery School



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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear parents/carers,

What a hot and sticky week it has been in school due to the high temperatures! I want to start by saying a big well done to class Australia who had 100% attendance nearly all week! In addition, 350 pupils across the whole school have had 100% attendance too.

Well done to Y1 pupils who have worked hard on their Phonics Screening Check, as have Y4 who have completed their multiplication check.

A polite reminder to all parents and carers when you are dropping your children off at school in the mornings. Please ensure that you walk them to the school entrance, accompanying them on the yard, rather than leaving your child alone at the gates. Behaviour has been challenging in some year groups in KS2 this week and a big thank you to our parents and carers who work in partnership with us to address unacceptable behaviour.

If your child attends Gwladys Street School, all members of the community must adhere to the school's Relationship Policy (previously called Behaviour and Discipline Policy). This can be viewed on our school website.

Next week we have lots of exciting things planned. Chester Zoo are delivering workshops for pupils in Y2 and Y4 and Y5 are visiting a local mosque, as part of our Religious Education curriculum.

Next week is also Refugee Awareness week and exciting workshops and activities have been planned for all pupils. Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Best wishes, Ms Booth.



Click [here](#) to view the lunch menu for this



Free School meals:

All children in year 2 currently receive free school meals from the Government. When your child moves into the next school year, Year 3, you will be charged £2 per day for them to have a school meal.

If you are in receipt of certain benefits or on a low income you may be entitled to Free school meals from the Local Authority.

Use the link attached to check if you are eligible for free school meals. Please apply NOW so it is in place before September. This benefit can not be back dated so any charges made, you will be responsible for paying.

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

**Free
School
Meals**
Are you entitled?



Please click [here](#) to view term dates for the school year.



SCHOOL UNIFORM



From **SEPTEMBER 2023** our school uniform will be changing slightly.

Full school uniform must be worn every day.

Please make sure it has your **CHILD'S NAME** in.

Nursery (F1)

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue jogging suit consisting of round neck jumper . and royal blue jogging bottoms.
- White polo shirt.
- Velcro black shoes with black soles.



Reception (F2)

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue jogging suit consisting of round neck jumper and royal blue jogging bottoms.
- White polo shirt.
- Velcro black shoes with black soles.
- Grey socks or tights.



Year 1 and Year 2

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue round neck jumper or cardigan.
- Grey skirt/pinafore or trousers.
- White polo shirt.
- Grey socks or tights.



Years 3/4/5/6

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue V neck jumper or cardigan.
- Grey skirt/pinafore or trousers.
- White shirt.
- School tie.
- Grey socks or tights.



All children from Reception through to year 6 also require a PE kit.

This consists of:

- A white round neck t-shirt.
- Royal blue shorts.
- Royal blue jogging bottoms and Sweatshirt can also be worn.
- Black pumps or black trainers only.



Exceptions can only be made if you have contacted school in advance.



HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

Why you should not take your child on holiday in term time.

Your child may:

- **Get behind in their school work.**
- **Feel excluded from their group of friends on their return.**
- **Not understand new work and lose self confidence.**
- **Get lower results in tests, assessments because of missed work.**
- **Miss tests or assessments.**

Any absence in term time destroys the continuity of your child's education and may reduce chances of success.

Is my child entitled to time off school for family holidays?

No.

Parents/carers do not have the right for their child to have leave of absence for a holiday.

Are parents responsible for their child's attendance at school?

Yes,

By law, parents whose children are registered at a school, are responsible for ensuring that their child attends school regularly. If they fail to do this they may be guilty of an offense and can be issued or prosecuted under section 444 of the Education Act 1996 with a penalty notice.

What are the penalties?

A Fixed Penalty Notice is a fine of £120 issued to each parent of each child absent on holiday.

Attendance Matters

Whole School Target: 97% - This week's Whole school attendance: 94.1%

Absence—if your child is absent from school you **MUST** contact the school before 9:00am each day of your child's absence. Failure to make any contact with the school will result in a home visit from staff and Head teacher.

Appointments—should be arranged outside of the school day and if this is not possible, medical evidence should be provided.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance %</u>	<u>Position</u>
Australia	99%	1st
Butterflies	95.2%	2nd
New Zealand	95.2%	2nd
Morocco	95.2%	2nd
Ladybirds	95%	5th
India	94.8%	6th
Chile	94.8%	6th
Germany	94.6%	8th
China	93%	9th
Costa Rica	93%	9th
Japan	92.2%	11th
Kenya	92%	12th
France	91.6%	13th
Caterpillars	91.4%	14th
Kenya	85.6%	15th



To the **351** children who
had **100%** attendance
this week.

Congratulations
to Classes **AUSTRALIA** and
MOROCCO who are our Attendance
winners this week. The children will
all
receive a
Golden time activity.



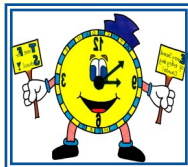
Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky

deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.

[Use this link for information and advice.](#)

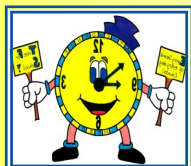
Perfect Attendance!

EYFS/ KS1 AUSTRALIA



KS2 MOROCCO



TEAM

Stars of the Week

<u>Class</u>	<u>Name</u>
Caterpillars	Serah S
Butterflies	Sammy O
Ladybird	Nathan O
France	Evie C
Germany	Ryan L
Australia	Logan B
New Zealand	Sophie S
Kenya	Ruby-Leigh G
Morocco	Stephen D
Chile	Richard S
Costa Rica	Jaida H
India	Oscar PB
Russia	Holly M
China	Abeer F
Japan	Harry E

Well done to our wonderful

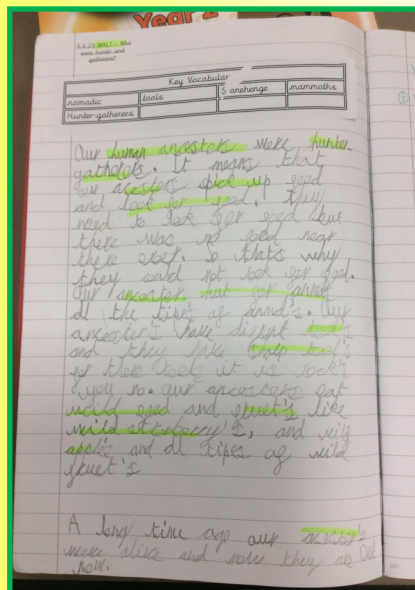
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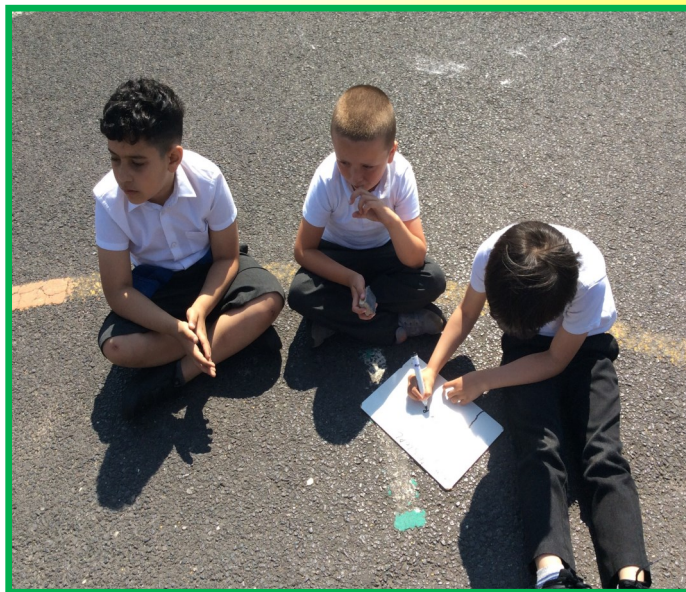
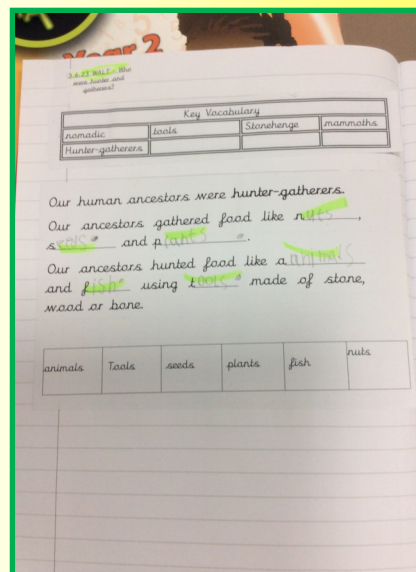
Your hard work and efforts have not gone unnoticed.



The children have had a busy week in Year 2.



We have been very busy in Year 2. We have taken lots of learning outside to take advantage of the beautiful weather. We have practised our position and direction language giving instructions to each other. We have been practising sending and receiving a ball in PE using the bats. In History we have started learning about The Stone Age and how people lived their lives then.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO**

Agnes B
Lace D
Claudi M
Tallula S
Lola A
Logan L
Lois V
Nemanja S
Luke B
Jacob G
Ketrin B

Coffee



Join us every
Wednesday from 2.30pm in
the
Breakfast room
for coffee, cake and a chat.
Everyone is welcome.



Family Support

Our Calm Central
team is here to offer
you
support about any
concerns or
issues.



**Parent &
Toddler
Group**



Parent
and
Toddler
sessions are
held in
school
every
Wednesday
morning
9-10am

Please come
and join us



How to Make and Tell Great Stories at Spellow Library

A four-week programme working with parents/carers/grandparents who want to either learn more about storytelling or to feel confident to do this with their children. The programme would run 2 hours per week including -

- An introduction to storytelling – turning Nursery Rhymes into tales. Putting your child into the story.
- Making story umbrellas or story dice.
- Make a story box – this can feature a local landmark.
- Finish your story box and explore how this can be used to encourage language, story telling and communication.

Free Adult Workshop Commencing: - Wednesday 21st June, 28th June, 5th July and 12th July 2023 10am-12pm.

Workshop organiser: Jude Lennon is a former Early Years teacher. She runs a storytelling business called Little Lamb Tales and is an author of more than 20 books (mostly picture books for children). Jude has worked with schools, community groups and festivals to share stories, creative writing ideas, author visits and workshops for the last 9 years.

Maximum number of adults – 10 - All materials, paint and craft items are all supplied by organiser. Spellow Hub, County Road, Liverpool L4 3QF
spellow.library@liverpool.gov.uk

Book your free place online: www.eventbrite.co.uk

STARTING WELL FOR PARENTS

The Starting Well programme is for all parents with pre-school aged children. Starting Well aims to provide activities and classes to parents which promotes the importance of bonding and attachment. The programme gives parents space to play and information to help them bring up the next generation in a safe and loving way.

Our Groups and Classes

Stay and Play

The People's Hub, Spellow Lane, L4 4DF

Tuesday: 10-11.30am
Age group: 0-4 year olds

Wednesday: 1-2.30pm
Age group: 0-2 year olds



Scan here for more information or to sign up

Sing and Sign

The People's Place, Spellow Lane, L4 4EL

Thursday: 1-2pm
Age group: Five-18 months.

Dads Club

Clubmoor Children's Centre, Utting Ave East, L11 1DQ
Last Saturday of the Month: 10-11.30am

The People's Hub, Spellow Lane, L4 4DF
Second Saturday of the month: 10-11.30am

Age group: 0 - four year olds
(dads can bring any older siblings if they wish).



Everton
in the Community

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FREE YOGA SESSIONS

Wednesdays, 11am-12pm | The People's Place

Free to attend

Accessible to all ages and abilities in a friendly, relaxed environment.

To sign up or find out more, please contact
neighbourhood@evertonfc.com



All National Online Safety, we address in upcoming projects, actions and limited advice with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they find it needed. This guide is one of many age-specific guides which we believe should be used in conjunction with other guides, tools and tips for advice.



Local Offer LIVE 2023

Wednesday 5th July

Are you a parent/carer of a child/young person with SEND (Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities)?
Are you a Professional working with families with SEND?

Come along and visit the Local Offer LIVE and see many services from Health, Local Authority, support groups, activity groups and 3rd Sector Organisations in one marketplace

Time: 12pm - 7pm

LOCATION:

Liverpool Guild of Students
The University of Liverpool
160 Mount Pleasant
Liverpool L3 5TR

FOR MORE INFORMATION
EMAIL INFO@LIVPAC.ORG.UK

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

OMETV

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 chat. 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.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

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 web-based 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 most users swipe to the next call quickly, it's not something that can be filtered out completely – as young people tend to 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' link 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. (User-generated warnings or account termination, for example).

FOLLOW AGE GUIDELINES

Ometv has an age recommendation of 18 and over, which suggests that the app is not suitable for children. 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 unsecured 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.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Catherine Hetherington is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has authored numerous papers and co-edited a book on the challenges of online safety for children and young people. She is based in the UK and Australia.



DISCUSS THE DANGERS

Maintain communication with your child about online safety. It's important to have ongoing conversations with your child about online safety. Discuss the dangers of talking to strangers online, the risks of sharing personal information, and the importance of reporting any concerns.

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 lost in by others, feeling they've built up a trusting relationship and being lulled into a false sense of security. The app's normally do, ensure young people don't enable on their device, and emphasize that they can always talk to you about anything online that worries them.

AGE VERIFICATION

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 enter a birthday, 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 recorded by others who are doing things they don't feel comfortable doing, or persistent 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 sent 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 (just 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



#WakeUpWednesday

Twitter: @nationalonline_safety Facebook: /NationalOnlineSafety Instagram: @nationalonline_safety YouTube: @national_online_safety
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Year 5 Parents



St Margaret's
Church of England Academy
"Achievement by faith and work"

Principal: Mr S Brierley MA NPQH

14 June 2023

Dear Headteacher

St Margaret's C of E Academy
Open Evening: Thursday 6th July 2023 for Year 7 intake September 2024

We will be holding our annual Open Evening on Thursday 6th July 2023, 5.30pm – 7.30pm.

Parents and their children will have the opportunity to attend one of the information presentations, tour the school, visit subject departments and meet some of our current students.

Parents are welcome to visit our school webpages for updated information regarding the evening and for information on our Admissions.

[St. Margarets Church of England Academy \(stmargaretsacademy.com\)](http://stmargaretsacademy.com)

I would be very grateful if you could share the information with your Year 5 parents or share with your Year 5 pupils, perhaps as part of an Assembly.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours Sincerely,


Stephen Brierley
Principal



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Belvedere Academy Open Evening
Thursday, June 23rd, 2022. 4:00pm - 6:30pm
Principal's talks at 4pm, 5pm and 6pm
www.belvedereacademy.net  [belvedereacademy](https://www.instagram.com/belvedereacademy) Belvedere Road, Princes Park, L8 3TF

**WHEN I WAS A KID, THERE
WERE NO PHONES OR TABLETS.
WE READ CEREAL BOXES AT
BREAKFAST**

