

# February Newsletter

## PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

These are coming up for all year groups shortly after half term the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March. These will go live on Scopay on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 9am. Belinda will send you an email to remind you when the booking system goes live.

Shelley Leggett our new SENCo will be available on the Wednesday evening session if anyone would like to speak with her.

## REPORTS



For those of you who have been part of Lodge Lane for a while, you will know that we usually issue a written report for our children in Y1 and Y2 at the end of the spring term.

We have made a change this year and reports will be issued for all year groups at the end of the summer term. You will have an opportunity to discuss this with your child's teacher if you would like to.

## ATTENDANCE

### Attendance Matters



Our whole school attendance so far this year has dropped to 94.9% but we are fully aware of all the coughs, colds, infections and bugs that children, as well as staff, have had during January - Lodge Lane has not been a healthy place at all.

Hopefully, February will be a healthier month and we will see our attendance rise again.

We will be looking at persistent absence again this week and will let you know if we have concerns about your child's attendance or punctuality.

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### **STAFFING UPDATE**

At half-term we will be saying farewell to Mrs Wassell who has been working with children in the Reception classes for the past year, making sure they are keeping up with their phonics and reading practice. She has had a big impact on the progress the children have made and we will miss her at Lodge Lane.

We would like to welcome Mrs Donovan to our staff team - she is part of our support staff team, working with children who have additional needs.

We are sorry to inform you that Mrs Judge has made the very difficult decision to leave Lodge Lane for a non-teaching career, which is better suited to family life. Allie will leave at Easter and we are currently advertising for a part time teacher for Panda Class, to job share with Mrs Joubert.

Allie did her teacher training at Lodge Lane and has worked here since September 2017. She taught for a few years in Y2 and then made the brave move to Reception, which she took to like a duck to water.

It goes without saying that Allie will be a huge loss to Lodge Lane, but we wish her well in her new career.

### **SCIENCE FESTIVAL**

Norwich Science Festival is on during half- term from 17th to 24th February.

Follow this link for the events calendar to see what's on and book tickets.

<https://norwichsciencefestival.co.uk/whats-on>



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## **HALF-TERM AND EASTER**

We finish for half term on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 3.00pm and school starts again on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

We finish for Easter on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm and school starts again on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.



## **Y1 OUTSIDE AREA**

We are lucky that the Friends of Lodge Lane are helping to fund the development of our Y1 outdoor area. Unfortunately some of the new equipment has already been damaged by children using it before or after school and we cannot risk any further damage.

Please make sure your child stays off the equipment so that nothing gets ruined. Thank you!

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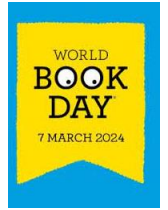
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## **WORLD BOOK DAY**



World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March.

This year we will be having a fairy tale theme and we would love it if the children could come dressed as a fairy tale character. This does not have to be anything complicated – a prince, princess, king, queen or witch are some obvious ones. It does not have to be a full costume - your child could wear a headband, mask or bring a prop linked to a particular fairy tale or they could make it really simple and dress up as Jack from Jack and the Beanstalk, or Gretel from Hansel and Gretel for example.

On Friday 8th March children can come to school in their pyjamas and enjoy some hot chocolate and a bedtime story.

The Friends of Lodge Lane have given us a very generous amount of money for new fiction and non-fiction books for our library and classrooms - we have spent some of this already and will be sharing these books with the children during the week of World Book Day.

Just before half term your child will bring home a £1 book token, which can be exchanged for a World Book Day book from participating booksellers. Alternatively, it can be used to get £1 off a book of your choice.

Hopefully, there is something here to suit everyone.

Follow this link for more information about World Book Day:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/books/>

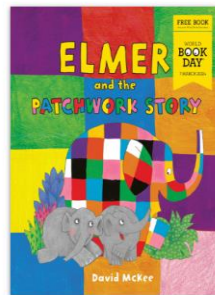
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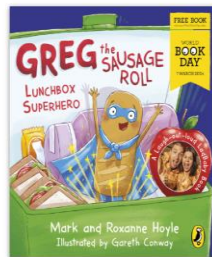
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Andersen Press

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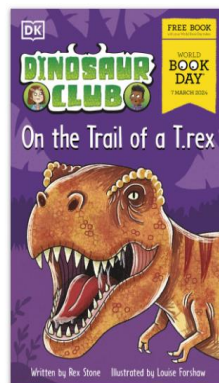
Greg the Sausage Roll: Lunchbox Superhero  
Puffin

Beginning



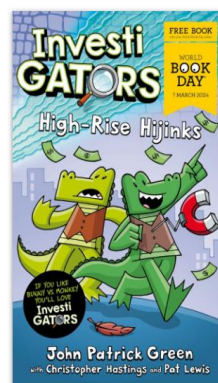
Charlie McGrew & The Horse That He Drew  
HarperCollins Children's Books

Early



Dinosaur Club: On the Trail of a T. rex  
DK

Early



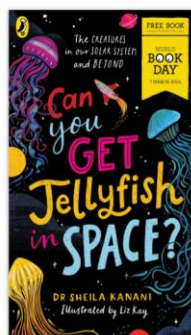
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Macmillan Children's Books

Early



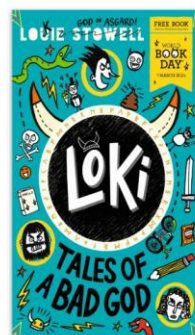
Marv and the Ultimate Superpower  
Oxford University Press

Fluent



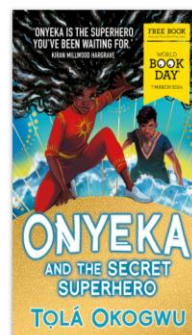
Can You Get Jellyfish in Space?  
Puffin

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Loki: Tales of a Bad God  
Walker Books

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Onyeka and the Secret Superhero  
Simon & Schuster Children's Books

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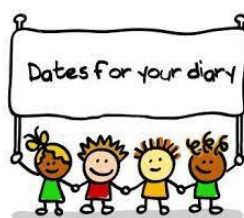


The Amazing Edie Eckhart: The Friend Mission  
Hachette Children's Group

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FEBRUARY			
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parent/Teacher meeting bookings go live	On Scopay 9am	
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	EYFS parents session – arts/crafts/tasting	2-3pm – Entry through school office.	
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Pancake Day dessert	Change to menu (see poster at end of newsletter)	
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Valentine’s Day dessert	Change to menu (see poster at end of newsletter)	
16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School closes for half-term		
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School re-opens		
29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Friends of Leap Year non-uniform (Frog/Green)	More details on Friends Newsletter	
MARCH			
1 <sup>st</sup> March	Friends of Mother’s day shop	More details on Friends Newsletter	
4 <sup>th</sup> March	YR Parent/Teacher meetings	8.30-10am 2-3.30pm	Panda and Tiger Parents
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Y1 Parent/Teacher meetings	8.30-10am 2-3.30pm	Owl and Turtle Parents (Turtle times will vary)
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent/Teacher meetings	4-6.30pm	All year groups
7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day	See details above.	
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 Parent/Teacher meetings	8.30-10am 2-3.30pm	Hedgehog and Rockhopper Penguin parents
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief		
27 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>END OF TERM</b> <b>School re-opens</b> <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>		

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### Setting up parental controls on your child's mobile

If you do not have the same mobile phone as your child, and therefore are unable to use Google Family link or Apple Family Sharing, then you can set restrictions on your child's device instead.

#### Apple devices:

To set up restrictions on your child's device directly (rather than using an app) then follow the instructions on the link below:

<https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201304>

The instructions will show you how to get to the settings on your child's phone and then how to set restrictions such as restrict content, schedule downtime, set time limits for apps. You will need to set a passcode 'use a screen time passcode' to ensure changes cannot be made after you have set them.

#### Android devices:

As with the above link, this link shows you how to set up parental controls on the device itself by creating a PIN:

<https://support.google.com/googleplay/answer/1075738?hl=en-GB&zipy=%2Cfor-family-members-who-manage-their-own-accounts>

### PlayStation

Does your child have a PlayStation? If so, have you set up appropriate parental controls? Some examples of the parental controls available are:

- Set age restrictions,
- Set daily limits,
- Control chat and messaging,
- Set spend limits.



#### How can I block/report other players?

If your child is playing with other players, then please ensure they know how to report/block other players and to tell a trusted adult if they do come across anything upsetting or that they are unsure of. This link details how to do this based on the device they have:

<https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/block-players-psn/>

#### What games are suitable for my child?

PlayStation have included a list of games along with their age rating to help you find a game that may be appropriate for your child to play.

<https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/editorial/great-ps4-games-for-kids-and-families/>

*Whilst age ratings do allow you to see if a game may be appropriate, it is also important to review the game yourself and see if it includes additional features such as chat. This will allow you to make an informed decision as to whether it is suitable and if you need to apply further parental controls.*

#### Further information

You can find out more about the controls available here:

<https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/parental-controls/>

### YouTube Shorts

You should be over 13 to post videos on YouTube. YouTube Shorts are short videos which are similar in format to videos you find on TikTok or Instagram Reels. 'Shorts' are available to watch on the YouTube homepage or on the Shorts tab in the app. As they are quick to watch, they can be addictive and lead to excessive screen time. If your child is watching these videos, ensure they know that there is a report button. The INEQUE Safeguarding Group discuss this feature in more detail here:

<https://ineque.com/2021/07/01/youtube-shorts-need-to-know/>

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## Snapchat: new controls

### What is Snapchat?

Snapchat is a social media app used for messaging and sharing photos and videos. You must be 13+ to sign up. Users can send messages (snaps) to others that are only seen for a set time e.g., 10 seconds and users can also upload snaps to stories, which disappear after 24 hours.



You can find out more about

Snapchat here: <https://parents.snapchat.com/en-GB>

### Family Center: new features

Snapchat are expanding the features available to you in their Family Center, allowing parents to view:

- story settings: you will be able to see who your child is sharing their story with e.g. all their friends or a smaller group.
- contact settings: see who your child can be contacted by (by people they have added as a friend or their phone contacts).
- if your child is sharing their location with friends on the Snap Map.

In addition, you will be able to restrict the use of Snapchat's 'My AI.' You can find out more here:

<https://values.snap.com/en-GB/news/expanding-our-in-app-parental-tools-2024>

### More information

The NSPCC provide further information about Snapchat, the risks involved with using Snapchat and tips to help keep your child safe if they are using Snapchat.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/is-snapchat-safe-for-my-child/>

### At what age can my child start using social networks?

Internet Matters have produced this fantastic resource highlighting the minimum age limits for a variety of social media platforms as well as outlining the risks of being underage on social media. You can find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-age-can-my-child-start-social-networking>

### Reality Check from Parent Zone



Most VR Headsets have a minimum age recommendation of 13+ and VR games are rated by PEGI too so check their age rating/suitability.

Parent Zone, VoiceBox and Meta have created a series of videos explaining the safety and parental control tools available when using VR and how to have a conversation with your child about VR. Find out more here:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/realitycheck>

### Online Safety advice for Early Years

Internet Matters have teamed up with EE to create 'Online Safety Starts Early.' This is a 4-episode series, for those with children in Early Years. Episode one highlights how to create positive habits from the beginning and then provides links to additional resources.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/0-5/online-safety-video-guides-early-years/>

### EE Learn

EE Learn includes an array of information and guidance on how to keep your child safe online, for example tips on how to help your child when they are online. Find out more here:

<https://ee.co.uk/do-more-with-ee/learn>

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*A Message for Safer Internet Day, 2024, from Norfolk Constabulary's  
Children and Young People Team.*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Tuesday 6 February marks this year's Safer Internet Day. We can all play a part in keeping children and young people safe online and I am writing to tell you that online safety remains one of the Constabulary's main priorities. With this in mind, we would like to share some links and resources with you.

- Organisers of Safer Internet Day, The Safer Internet Centre, have a wealth of information for parents and carers on their website on the "Guides and Resources" section. Go to [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk)
- Setting boundaries and rules about your child's internet use as early as possible will help you to have open and honest conversations about any issues that arise. Please find below both a colour and black and white copy of Norfolk Constabulary's 'Family Internet Agreement' to help you do this.
- Head to YouTube where you will find a recording of the webinar we delivered on Safer Internet Day, 2023, [Recorded Online Safety webinar for parents and carers \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)
- Follow National Online Safety on Twitter - @natonlinesafety; Instagram - @nationalonlinesafety; or search "National Online Safety" on Facebook. You can also download the "National Online Safety" app in the Play Store, or on Google Play. Here you will find information about games, websites and apps young people are using so you can make sure your knowledge is up to date.
- The National Crime Agency's Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Education team have a parent and carer area on their website where you can get advice about online safety [Parents and carers | CEOP Education \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/) If you are worried that your child is being groomed online, or sexually exploited, you can find advice about reporting by clicking on the 'How to get help' tab.
- The Internet Watch Foundation and the NSPCC have developed the 'Report Remove' tool, in partnership with age verification app, [Yoti](https://www.yoti.com/). Report Remove can support a young person in reporting sexual images or videos shared online and enables them to get the image removed if it is illegal. Go to [Report Remove \(iwf.org.uk\)](https://www.iwf.org.uk/report-remove)

Inspector Bex Brown  
Norfolk Constabulary, Children and Young People Team.

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# Online Safety Newsletter

## Safer Internet Day

Established by the UK Safer Internet Centre (UKSIC), Safer Internet Day is celebrated around the world. This year, on Tuesday 6th February 2024, it will be celebrated with the theme:

**Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.**

### How can I get involved?

#### UK Safer Internet Centre Resources

As usual, the UKSIC have created some fantastic resources, which includes top tips, help and advice and a short film to help you start a conversation with your child. Find out more here:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers>

#### My child keeps asking to play a game, or download an app that I don't know about, what can I do?

The UKSIC answer this question and provide links to useful websites to help you decide what is suitable for your child:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers/my-child-keeps-asking-to-play-a-game>

#### Who influences your child?

An influencer is somebody prominent on social media such as YouTube and Instagram, who have a high number of followers. Influencers share their opinions/ideas and may be paid to advertise/promote products through their account. The NSPCC have created an article detailing what you need to know about online influencers here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-05-16-the-influence-of-influencers/>

#### Digital futures

As Safer internet Day is all about change, Internet Matters have published advice on new and emerging technologies:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/tech-and-kids-digital-futures/>

#### Making a difference: being kind online

The BBC have curated a host of videos and articles incorporating ideas and advice to help make the online world a kinder place:

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/collections/being-kind-online>

#### Apple online event: Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Apple will be hosting an online event to celebrate Safer Internet Day. They will be joined by Will Gardner (from Childnet and UKSIC) who will provide an overview of the importance of Safer Internet Day and then Apple will provide a demonstration of their controls. Find out more here:

[https://events.apple.com/content/events/pst/gb/en/default.html?token=xww6uj7woR0X9A3f9q40Qk9VdH60MurN7MAvJSY75sHQxWqaTEhMJEmaIXqC7MMJuZhb5cjK2\\_RsJEnGDWirXhcGlvVfbcOSca2wYDoLAT3GkRLH-DcTmEHQI72rxQfFw&a=1&Locale=en\\_GB&l=e](https://events.apple.com/content/events/pst/gb/en/default.html?token=xww6uj7woR0X9A3f9q40Qk9VdH60MurN7MAvJSY75sHQxWqaTEhMJEmaIXqC7MMJuZhb5cjK2_RsJEnGDWirXhcGlvVfbcOSca2wYDoLAT3GkRLH-DcTmEHQI72rxQfFw&a=1&Locale=en_GB&l=e)

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# JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

BOYS &  
GIRLS  
**5-15**  
Years Old

## Venues

### Eaton Park

South Park Avenue, Norwich, NR4 7AZ

### Sportspark

Norwich, Norfolk, NR4 7TJ

### Heigham Park

The Avenues, Norwich, NR2 3PA

### Taverham Tennis Club

Sandy Lane, Taverham, NR8 6JR

### East Anglia Tennis Club

Lime Tree Road, Norwich, NR2 2NQ

Action packed holiday camps  
with team challenges, tennis  
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All equipment is provided, no  
prior experience necessary.

**9:00am - 11:30am\***

\*Times may vary so please check the website

20 - 23 February

**£15 per day**



[nationaltennis.org.uk/camps/norfolk](http://nationaltennis.org.uk/camps/norfolk)  
[hello@nationaltennis.org.uk](mailto:hello@nationaltennis.org.uk)

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