

## Be safe, be kind.

## Listen and think a lot.

Be your best!'



# The Perryfields Post

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the last couple of weeks we have started to welcome some external visitors into school (socially distanced rules applied). Our visitors have commented on how well behaved, polite, hardworking and focused the children are. We are extremely proud of all your children and I am sure you are too.

## New Online Safety Information

#### Live streaming on TikTok and other platforms—new information

We want to make you aware of an emerging concern involving Tik-Tok. There is a facility on TikTok whereby 1000 followers enables a person to be able to broadcast live, and some children and young people are broadcasting live using this and possibly other platforms at different times.

Live streaming is the broadcasting of live video to an audience or on a one-to-one basis in real time. During public live streams viewers can participate by 'liking' videos and adding comments which can be seen by the person broadcasting, and by other viewers. It is also possible for viewers to contact broadcasters who are live streaming or who have live streamed.

Any person with a TikTok or similar platform account can use live streaming. Many children and young people do this, for example to sing and dance and to talk about things, perhaps with the aim of attracting more viewers and to be someone who is 'trending' online.

This type of activity is popular among children and young people, including primary school children. Although our children are very young we wanted to pass this information onto our parents to highlight the concerns with these kinds of platforms. Concerns include:

- viewing inappropriate content;
- communicating with people that are unknown to them;
- children and young people may be broadcasting from their bedroom, unsupervised making an additional forum in which abuse may take place;
- there could be thousands of people watching a live stream at any time, including those who are looking to harm children and young people it is possible to move a child or young person from a live stream to a private one;
- coercion or manipulation to create and share indecent images of themselves while live streaming:
- live videos can be recorded and shared.

DATA—The <u>Internet Watch Foundation</u> found that 98% of live streamed abuse on mostly private platforms showed children aged 13 and under, suggesting that this age group may be more at risk when live streaming. Research by the <u>London Grid for Learning</u> showed that 1 in 6 pupils aged 7-16 taking part in a survey said that something had happened while they were live streaming that made them feel uncomfortable, and more than 1 in 20 pupils had been asked to change or get undressed. Please go to the links for further information on how to keep your child safe online & beyond. <a href="https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/">https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/</a>

#### Perryfields Infant School

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#### Dates for your diary...

- 28th May—Last Day
- Half Term
- 7th June—Non-pupil day staff training
- 8th June—back to school
- 10th June—class photos
- 11th June—KS1 swimming starts (details to follow)
- 18th June—Race For Life (details to follow)
- 21st June—Emerald class last Forest School
- 25th June—New pupil induction (TBC)
- 29th June—sports day (TBC)
- 2nd July —New pupil induction (TBC)
- 8th July—Move Around Day
- 9th July—Reports to go home (TBC)
- 16th July—last KS1 swim
- 21st July—Last Day

## Class Super Stars

RUBY CLASS— Isabelle J

**TOPAZ CLASS**— James

**EMERALD CLASS**— Sienna

**SAPPHIRE CLASS**— Annabelle

**DIAMOND CLASS**— Amy

PEARL CLASS— Jaxson

# Headteacher Super Stars

**RUBY CLASS**— Dexter

**TOPAZ CLASS**— Emily

**EMERALD CLASS**— Hayden

**SAPPHIRE CLASS**— Neve

**DIAMOND CLASS**— Gabriela

PEARL CLASS — Olivia

## Pen Licence

Last Friday I awarded our very first year two children this academic year with their Pen Licences (special certificate and pen). In order to gain a Pen Licence the children must be able to demonstrate good spelling, consistently neat and well formed handwriting and be beginning to join up.

All of the children have been working on their writing skills but the year two children have had a real drive on handwriting and spellings. And I was extremely proud to give Pen Licences to:

Diamond Class—Raiya, Zarak, Aarav and Lauren.

Pearl Class— Thomas, Edson and Talia.

I look forward to seeing them write in their books with their special pens. Congratulations!



#### SPONSORED ODD SOCK WALK— FANTASTIC NEWS!

This event has currently raised an amazing £2,413!

We will be asking the children via the School Council how they would like to spend it. A big thank you to everyone.

Lets hope the weather forecast cheers up so we can all have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes, Amanda Reid.

