



Newsletter 30 – 5th May 2026

Knowledge begins with respect for God (Proverbs 1:7)

This half-term's value is 'Hope' (1 Corinthians 13:13)

Year 6 Assessments (SATs): Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May

A reminder that children in Year 6 (all the Eagles and some of the Falcons) are taking their SATs assessments next week.

What parents and carers can do to support their children:

- Make sure your child is well-rested and gets plenty of sleep each night.
- Your child needs to eat a good breakfast to help their concentration and enable them to do their best in the tests.



We are providing free breakfasts for all Year 6 children each day next week from 8.00am – 8.20am. We encourage all Year 6 children to come along and eat breakfast with their friends.

Online Safety

Last week I told you about an online safety session for parents and carers which is taking place this Wednesday, 6th May, 4.00pm – 4.45pm. Here is the link you'll need to access the meeting:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZWMzYzRmYTYtMDk0NC00MWQ0LWlyMDctNjYzYzNkZTI0MGJj%40thread.v2/0?context=%7B%22Tid%22%3A%22dcdb1ea5-3b10-49a2-bf8f-5fd59edcd762%22%2C%22Oid%22%3A%225772fa8f-9814-4199-aef2-9195804f833e%22%2C%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3Atrue%2C%22role%22%3A%22a%22%7D&btype=a&role=a

Focus: Guide to social media and livestreaming - this will include latest trends and emerging threats and will focus on developing your understanding of social media and livestreaming, the associated risks and steps we can take to support our children.

You don't need to register, simply click on the link at the above time to access the session. **Cameras and voice/audio will be switched off for all attendees.** You will be able to ask questions by typing in the Q&A box, but this will be explained during the session.

The event will be streamed using Teams. Attendees can watch the live event in:

- **Teams app—desktop (Windows or Mac) or mobile.** (The Teams app is free to download).
- **If you don't have Teams you can access it via one of the following browsers - Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge or Firefox.**



This session will be recorded so if you can't make the live session then you will be able to watch it back at a time that is convenient to you.

Falcons' Class Assembly

Thank you to our Falcons' class for their assembly last Thursday. Although I wasn't able to attend, I have heard lots of good things about it! Thank you too to all the parents and carers who came to support their children.

Sports Day

Advance notice that we are hoping to hold this year's Sports Day on Tuesday 2nd June.

The junior classes will take part in the morning (Doves, Owls, Kestrels, Hawks, Falcons and Eagles). This will be on the playground and grass at the back of the school. The infant classes will take part in the afternoon (Robins, Woodpeckers, Kingfishers and Swallows). This will be on the playground and grass at the front of the school.



Online Safety

This month's online safety is attached to this newsletter. It is also available on the school website (Parents/Online Safety).

There are also some very useful online safety videos available to watch by following this link: <https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/online-safety-monthly-videos/>

Best wishes



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Recent Reading Badges

<p>Swallows Alayna Hussain - Bronze Minahil Latif - Ruby</p> <p>Doves Ayra Kayani - Jet</p>	<p>Eagles Hamza Abdrabou - Topaz Haniya Ali - Bronze Star Amina Thazhathethil - Emerald Azaan Hussain - Gold Star</p>
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Last Week's Attendance

	Best attendance	Best punctuality
Infants	Woodpeckers	Kingfishers
Juniors	Owls & Falcons	Hawks

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FreezeNova (Unblocked games)

FreezeNova unblocked is a website that is free to access and contains a wide variety of games, including shooting, multiplayer and racing games. This site may bypass usual filters, making it easier for your child to access games that you may not want them to play. As there are a variety of games, not all games may be suitable for your child.

There is also FreezeNova Chat, allowing users to chat to their friends and meet new ones. Clearly there are concerns with any online chat facility as there is the potential to view inappropriate content, risk of bullying as well as grooming.

We could not locate any age ratings on this site and there are constant adverts. Childnet have a webpage providing advice on gaming and chat features here:

<https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/gaming/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translate tool on our web version: <https://www.knowsleycity.org.uk/may-2026-primary/>

Group Chats

Is your child part of any group chats? This could be on social media, for example on WhatsApp or within games such as Fortnite. If so, it is important that you are aware of the potential risks, which include:

- **Inappropriate content** – there is often a lack of moderation within chat facilities so users could be exposed to content/language that is not suitable for their age.
- **Bullying** – there are many instances where inappropriate/hurtful comments are shared within groups, this could take the form of name calling or body shaming. Bullying can also be in the form of excluding others from the group. These issues often overflow into 'real life'.
- **Strangers** – your child could be added to groups with people they do not know or even with someone that they have previously blocked.
- **Conversations can be shared/screen shot** – make sure your child is aware that anything they share within a group can be shared with others.
- **Sharing personal information** – remind your child to be aware of the information they share with others, including images and location.



How can I help make group chats safer?

- Check the recommended age rating and adhere to them.
- Set up age-appropriate parental controls, suitable privacy settings and set screen time limits.
- On WhatsApp you can do a privacy check, by going to settings, privacy and privacy checkup.
- Show your child how to use any reporting and blocking tools.

What else can I do?

- It is crucial to have regular conversations with your child about the risks outlined above and about what they are doing online.
- Talk about who they are chatting with, encourage them to think carefully about what they send and how it could be perceived by others. **Talk about positivity and not saying anything hurtful. Ask them to think about whether they would say what they are messaging, face to face.**
- Devices should be used in family rooms so you can monitor what they are doing and who they are interacting with.
- Finally, make sure to model good digital behaviour yourself, as children often learn by observing the adults around them.

Further information

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/>

Roblox - update

What is Roblox?

Roblox is a platform consisting of a collection of games. Players can either create games or play games that other users have created. **As a lot of the content is user generated, not all games will be suitable for your child to view/play.** If your child is playing Roblox, it is important to monitor

what your child is accessing as well as set up appropriate parental controls. PEGI rate Roblox with a Parental Guidance recommended label, this is because it is a platform of individual, user generated games.



New Age-Based Accounts

From next month, Roblox will introduce two new age-based accounts: Roblox Kids for users ages 5 to 8 and Roblox Select for users ages 9 to 15. Roblox Kids Accounts (ages 5–8) will be limited to games with a 'Minimal or Mild' content maturity label and all communication is disabled by default. Roblox Select accounts (ages 9 to 15) will be limited to games with content maturity labels up to and including 'Moderate'. By default, Experience Chat is ON and Direct Experience Chat is OFF. The differences in chat are outlined here: <https://about.roblox.com/safety-by-age>

Parental Controls

As part of parental controls, you can manage content ratings, communication, screen-time, and spending limits as well as see which games your child is playing on and who their friends are. Roblox are extending these controls to allow you to:

- Block specific individual games (to age 15).
- Manage direct chat settings (to age 15).
- Approve access to specific games.

It is important to regularly monitor what your child is playing on Roblox and who they are interacting with, even if you have parental controls set up. You can find out more about the new accounts and parental controls here:

<https://about.roblox.com/newsroom/2026/04/introducing-roblox-kids-and-select-accounts>

Further information

<https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/roblox-releases-updated-parental-controls-and-age-appropriate-experiences/>

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Screen time guidance for under 5s

The Government now advise limiting screen time for young children. They advise avoiding screen time for under 2 years and to try to keep it to less than 1 hour a day for 2-5 years. Best Start for Life have published an article outlining what content is better, how your own screentime affects your child and how screentime can affect your child's development. Find out more here:

<https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/screen-time-under-5s/>

Do you know what 'looksmaxxing' is?

It is the idea of improving and maximising your looks. Internet Matters have published this article, which provides more information on this topic and outlines the risks (including links to the manosphere):

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/what-is-looksmaxxing-online-safety-guidance-for-parents/>

PEGI is expanding their age ratings

From June, PEGI is adding new categories. "Newly submitted games will be classified with a broader set of criteria that will focus on content and functionality, such as purchases of in-game content, paid random items, communication features, and features that incentivise players to continue playing." Find out more here:

<https://pegi.info/news/pegi-expands-age-rating-criteria-interactive-risk-categories>