



Shepton Beauchamp Church School News



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Head's Update... Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you all for a great start to school. All our children have had a great week and we hope they have shared their excitement and achievements from lessons this week.

This year we will be updating you all more about Online Safety and supporting you to support your children. I have attached a parent guide below with tips and support you may find useful. If you have any queries, please do come, and see me.

At school, we have upgraded our online security and monitoring systems for our children. We are part of the South West Grid for Learning filtering system and we monitor all Online activity through a programme called Netsweeper, which allows us to both block and allow websites and monitor all Internet searches. We are confident our new systems will improve online safety to the highest standards possible for our school.

Best wishes,

Connel Boyle

Executive Headteacher



Welcome to our new starters!

Our new children have made a great start to school. We cannot believe how quickly they have settled in with Mrs Wells, Mrs Lock and Miss Darroch.

Also seeing our new Year 3 children in Gryphon Class becoming juniors takes some getting used to! Our new Year 3s have all looked so proud.



**Our school
attendance
target is
96%**

**This week
100%**

**Phoenix
Class current
attendance
100%**



PERFECT!

**Gryphon Class
current
attendance
100%**



PERFECT!



Gold Winners

Silver Winners

Bronze Winners

Headteacher's Award

Ruby Jasmine

**Guiding Stars
Amelia Austin**



**Headteacher drop-in sessions
every Friday at 2.00pm.**

Mr Boyle is available for any parent to drop in to see him without the need for an appointment. Please do feel free to use this session to answer any queries you may have.

Friday Family Assemblies

Come and join us every Friday at 2.45pm. We look forward to seeing you.

**Team Points
2022/23 Winners
MARCUS**

Malala 26

Marcus 25

David 23

**This week's
winners are**

**Malala
Well done!!!**



**Science Investigations
begin!**

Our biology topic began this week with our children recalling their previous knowledge about the human body.

Our Gryphons drew around a friend and had to place human organ pictures where they thought they should be.



Diary Dates:

- **Wednesday 11th October - Harvest Festival 2.30pm**
- **Thursday 19th October - Last day of term**
- **Friday 20th October - INSET Day**
- **Monday 30th October - First day of Term**

**The school calendar for 2023 to 2024 can be found
under the Parents Tab, listed as Term Dates. Go to:**

www.sheptonbeauchamp.co.uk

Online Safety Guide

Children's use of the internet is becoming more mobile and interactive offering young people more opportunities to interact and meet new people, so it's never been more important to make sure you are helping your child stay safe in the digital world.



**15 hours
a week**

Children's internet use has reached record highs, 5-15 year olds spend 15 hours a week online



The number of children with a social media profile doubles between the age of 10 and 11. 43% of 11 year olds have a social profile



44% of 5-15 year olds have their own tablet and together with smartphones are the most popular for going online.

Get in control of parental controls



If using a smartphone, check content lock is set



Set parental controls on your home broadband



Control app downloads and purchases



Make the games console safe and secure



Use safety mode on YouTube and Google



If using social networks, check privacy settings

Go to internetmatters.org/controls for step-by-step guides

Managing privacy settings on apps

11-15 year olds use on average 5 different websites and apps to communicate with friends at home, the most popular being Instagram (60%).



Whatsapp



Snapchat



Instagram



YouTube

If your child is using these networking sites and respective apps, get up to speed on how they can manage their privacy settings with our "How to guides".

Go to internetmatters.org/back-to-school to download our "How to guides".

Helping parents keep their children safe online.

internet
matters.org

Get familiar with regular conversations

- ✓ Start a conversation when your children will be more receptive and engaged, such as on the way to or from school
- ✓ Ask them for advice on how to do something online and use this as a conversation starter
- ✓ Make sure they know they can come to you if they're upset by something they've seen online
- ✓ Be sensitive and encourage them when they share their online experiences with you
- ✓ If your child talks about an issue with you, stay calm and listen without judging them

Check they know the rules

- ✓ Don't share personal information like their phone number or email address online
- ✓ Only talk to real life friends or family if they are on sites with a social media element
- ✓ Explain that people they meet online might not be who they say they are
- ✓ Tell them to be a good online friend and not to say nasty things even if it's just a joke
- ✓ Use secure and legal sites to download music and games
- ✓ Make sure they check with you before downloading any programs to avoid viruses

Key issues you may want to discuss



Cyberbullying

Prevention is always better than the cure when it comes to this issue. Help your child understand the consequences of what they share online and encourage them to be "kind online". If they are the target of cyberbullying, be sure to keep all messages as evidence and block the bullies on social networks.

For more advice about cyberbullying visit internetmatters.org/issues/cyberbullying



Sexting

There are many reasons why young people get involved in sexting; exploring sex and relationship or pressure from a partner or friends. Having an open and honest conversation about it can help them understand the implications of sending a nude image and highlight that it is illegal.

If your child has sent a nude image and it has been put online; report it to CEOP and contact Childline who can help you get all known copies removed from the internet internetmatters.org/issues/sexting

Want more help?

For step by step guides and advice go to internetmatters.org

To report an issue around a sexual image of a child visit ceop.police.uk/Ceop-Report/

Statistics were sourced from: Ofcom's Children and Parents: Media Use and Attitudes report 2016, Techknowledge for Schools: How Children use Mobile Devices at School and at Home report 2015.