

Dear Families and Friends of Hempstalls,

It's been a bright and sunny week here at Hempstalls, and the children have been exceptionally busy in their D&T, Art, and ICT lessons. They have also created some fantastic Romeo and Juliet writing pieces, spanning from Reception to Year 6.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Summer Fayre on Wednesday. It was wonderful to see so many of you there, and the children had an amazing time. We will let you know soon about the total amount raised and how we plan to use the funds, which will include input from the children. If you're interested in joining the PSFA team, please contact Mrs Baddeley - sbaddeley@hempstalls.staffs.sch.uk. She would love to hear from you.

Next week is transition week at Hempstalls. We have organised various activities, including staff visiting classes to read stories to the children. On Thursday, 4th July, we will have our Move Up Day, where children will spend the entire day with their new class teachers.

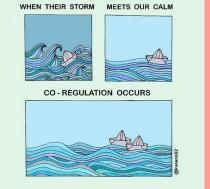
We also kindly request that you complete our parent survey questionnaire. Your feedback is crucial in helping us celebrate our successes and identify areas for improvement in the upcoming academic year. Please complete the survey by Monday, 1st July 2024.

Have a wonderful weekend, and thank you for your continued support.

Miss A Bell



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ANXIETY TIP Glass of Water

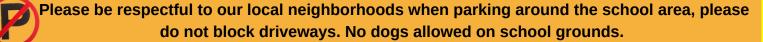
DEHYDRATION

can increase the level of cortisol (stress hormones) which can create sensations which can feel like an anxiety attack. When you feel anxiety creeping in, have a glass o

water

Keep Children Safe Online - Internet Matters

Some useful parent links to help keep our children safe online.



28TH JUNE 2024

TERM DATES





Attendance and punctuality

Be at school every day and on time!

WHOLE SCHOOL **TRANSITION DAY -4TH JULY**





Keeping children safe online - NSPCC



Please be respectful to our local neighborhoods when parking around the school area, please do not block driveways. No dogs allowed on school grounds.

CHAMPION MOMENTS



Trentham Gardens





Playing a musical instrument

Sports Day

YOUR TRASH IS OUR TREASURE!

AND INVITING ENVIRONMENT.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE BELOW YOU WOULD BE HAPPY TO DONATE, OR YOU KNOW WHERE WE COULD SOURCE ITEMS THAT ARE IN GOOD CONDITION PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER / ROOM LEADER. WE ARE LOOKING FOR **OLD SAUCEPANS / KITCHEN UTENSILS WOODEN CRATES**

ELECTRICAL CABLE DRUMS PICTURE FRAMES SMALL RUGS / MATS BASKETS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT MRS MULLOCK (ASSISTANT HEAD / EYFS LEADER)





What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

Apple debuted the first iPad in 2010, kickstarting the tablet market, and it remains the best-selling tablet to this day. Although Apple doesn't offer a child-specific version, iPads are hugely popular with youngsters due to their ease of use and endless choice of apps. There's a selection of models, with different-sized screens and distinct features – including the standard iPad; the iPad Air; the iPad Pro; and the iPad mini. Thankfully, they all offer parental controls so you can regulate how your child uses the device ... and how long they spend on it.



PHYSICAL DAMAGE

While some tablets (such as the Amazon Fire Kids editions) come with rugged shock-proof cases, iPads aren't built for rough and tumble. They're also more expensive than most other tablets, and any damage your child's iPad suffers could be costly to repair. Buying a child-friendly case and screen protector for the device could be a wise move, especially if it's being used by younger ones.

SCREEN ADDICTION

Like most digital devices, tablets have the potential to become quite addictive. You might find your child spending too long staring at their iPad, which could lead to irritability, mood swings and a loss of interest in more important tasks. If this happens, be sure to visit the built-in screen time settings and ensure you limit how long they're able to spend on the device each day.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Even if it would never occur to your child to go searching online for age-inappropriate sites, apps or information, there's always a possibility that something unexpected – perhaps a video that auto-plays or content incorrectly suggested by an algorithm – could appear on their tablet and upset them. You can help prevent this by adjusting the content settings (see our 'top tips' section below).

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SIRI SUGGESTIONS

The parental controls built into iOS (the fundamental operating system of Apple devices) enable you to block access to most age-inappropriate content – but your child could potentially still bypass these restrictions (either accidentally or deliberately) by using Siri, Apple's voice-activated digital assistant. To avoid this, toggle the 'Ask Siri' functions to 'off' in the iPad's settings menu.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

ስ ሸ ሸ ክ Before letting little ones loose on an iPad, it's a good idea to set up Family Sharing, as this lets you utilise the parental controls to manage exactly how your child is able use the device. You can do this fairly easily by going into the iPad's settings; once there, you'll be able to add an existing Apple account (if your child already has one) or set one up from scratch.

APPLY SOME LIMITS

The 'Downtime' function allows you to tell the iPad to lock itself at certain periods (at mealtimes or before bed, for instance), while 'App Limits' removes access to certain apps once they've been used for a specified length of time each day. The iPad can display a reminder when these limits have nearly been reached, letting your child mentally prepare for the end of their gaming or viewing time.



STOP ACCIDENTAL SPENDING

To empower your child with an increased sense of freedom on their device (without giving yourself something else to worry about in the process) you could enable the iPad's 'Ask to Buy' feature. Whenever your child tries to download or buy an app, game or product, the iPad sends you a request to approve (or deny!) it. This option only becomes available if you've set up Family Sharing.

SET CONTENT AND PRIVACY RESTRICTIONS

The parental controls can stop the iPad from displaying explicit or age-inappropriate content (in apps like iTunes and Safari, for instance) when your child is signed into their account. You'll also be able to restrict the capacity to download and install apps, and you ca specify permissions which prevent children from changing the iPad's privacy settings once you've selected them. can

Meet Our Expert

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TRACK IT DOWN

Just like the iPhone, Apple's iPads have 'Find My' software to help you locate your child's iPad – or indeed, any linked Apple devices that have gone AWOL, including phones, watches and AirPods. If you enable 'Find My' in the settings menu, it will display the last known location of an iPad that's been mislaid, as well as giving you the option to lock a missing iPad that you suspect has been stolen.



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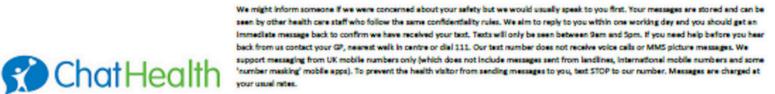
Families' Health and Wellbeing Service (0-19)



We now have a text messaging service for parents/carers of children aged 0-19 who live in Staffordshire. Get advice from our Public Health nurses (Health Visitors and School Nurses).

TEXT: 07520 615722





Child Protection Concerns



If you are concerned about a child:

Make a factual record of your concern. (Include day, date, time, other witnesses, concern and your signature).

You must share your concerns without delay



Miss A Bell Designated Safeguarding Lead Officer



<u>Mrs K Timmis</u> Safeguarding Lead



Miss C McDonald Safeguarding Lead



<u>Mrs R Mullock</u> Safeguarding Lead



Mrs J Hemmings Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer



<u>Mrs E Kirkham</u> Safeguarding Lead

Or Contact Staffordshire Children's Advice and Support Service
0800 111 8007