



Weekly News

22nd
March 2019

Pen Mill Infant and Nursery Academy

All of the information on this page can be found on:

- our website at www.penmillinfants.co.uk
- the playground screen

Golden Book Pupils

Awards were presented this week to the following children:

Carle	Harper & Ozzie
Waddell	Julian & Blake
Sharratt	Matei-Nicolae & Ky-Mani
Potter	Poppy & Oliwia
Donaldson	Rhylee & Norbert
Jeffers	Cali & Kyle

Attendance

Pen Mill Academy attendance - 93%

Our Attendance Bear was awarded to Jeffers class who attained the highest class attendance this week with 97%

Team Points

Well done to Maple Team who achieved the most points this week with 52 points.

Celebrate and Evaluate - Tuesday 26th March

Celebrate and Evaluate is a chance for you to visit your child's classroom and look together at the wonderful work they have produced so far during this Spring term.

It is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's targets and talk about the things they have enjoyed and feel they have done well. A morning session between 8.30am and 9.15am and an afternoon session between 3.15pm and 3.30pm are available.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Technology & Learning

This half term we will be sharing parents guides to various apps and games your children may use to support you in keeping your children safe online. We hope these will be helpful.

If you have any comments or concerns about your children's use of technology or any aspect of e-safety, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Hayden.



What parents need to know about YouTube

Full size copies of these information sheets can be found at the end of the weekly update.

Adventure Babies visit with Sharratt & Waddell



On Friday Mel from Adventure Babies came to visit Waddell and Sharratt class. It was an exciting, engaging and innovative way of telling a story. Lots of sensory opportunities were provided for children to explore which are linked to the story.

We have been learning about traditional tales and we told the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' using the sensory bags to help us. The children got to taste salt and sugar, use a giggle stick and smell the scent of the forest.

We then explored the tuff trays and finished with a song. The children had a lovely time and the dark tent and the lights were a hit. We look forward to Mel returning this Friday 22nd March to work with the Nursery children and our Peter Rabbit group.



Start of the school day

Please could we remind all parents and carers that children remain their responsibility whilst on the playground before classroom doors are opened in the morning.

Children should be kept safe by staying with their parents or carers until teachers open the doors at the beginning of the school day.

Unfortunately, we have received a number of complaints from parents this week regarding their child either being hurt by another child who is not supervised or their child running off.

Cake Sale - Friday 5th April

Ms Fletcher and Potter Class will be holding a cake sale on Friday 5th April at 3:15pm on the playground.

They are trying to raise money for animal houses around the school such as a hedgehog house, bat box and bird box.

If you would like to help us by baking cakes we would be very grateful.



Upcoming Dates - all dates can be found on our website

Celebrate and Evaluate <i>Parents invited into classes to view their child's work</i>	Tuesday 26th March 8.30am-9.15am or 3.15pm-3.30pm
Year 2 soft ball games	Friday 29th March 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Easter bonnet parade <i>Children invited to make a bonnet at home for the parade</i>	Monday 1st April
Nursery visit to Sunningdale Lodge	Tuesday 2nd April
Easter Service at St Michael's Church Year 1 to lead - <i>parents welcome</i>	Wednesday 3rd April 2pm
Themed Curriculum Day for Reception and Year 1 children <i>'Fairytale Day'</i>	Thursday 4th April
Themed Curriculum Day for Year 2 children <i>'Castle Day'</i>	Thursday 4th April
Cake Sale	Friday 5th April 3.15pm
Last day of term	Friday 5th April



AGE RESTRICTION
13+

What parents need to know about YouTube

SPENDING A PREMIUM

YouTube Premium (formerly YouTube Red) is a new paid streaming subscription service in the UK, offering a three-month free trial for new members and a £7.99 per month price. This includes the ability to download videos, streams videos with the app in the background, gives exclusive access to original content and a separate music streaming service and getting ads.

DANGEROUS 'CHALLENGE' & VIRAL VIDEOS

On YouTube, 'challenge' videos are shared quickly and can be very dangerous. One parent may post a video of themselves doing something unusual like walking a hot chili on jumping in a river and before you know it, the video goes viral and everyone wants to go in and share their videos. The speed at which challenge videos spread across the internet makes it difficult to keep up with the latest ones.

SHARING VIDEOS

As well as watching videos, many children are keen to share their own videos online, including their YouTube videos, such as vlogs or 'haul' videos. However, if they post something on YouTube, they may have regret it or feel embarrassed about what they have shared. There is also a risk that they will receive harmful or negative comments regarding not only their content, but also their appearance. YouTube's comment section is notorious for being one of the most unpleasant on the internet.

IN-APP MESSAGING

When your child is logged into their Google account and browsing the YouTube website, they can share and talk about videos with their friends using the chat feature. This can be found at the top right of the desktop site or through an app messaging on that device or tablet. When they log on to the YouTube app, they have a lot of suggested people from their contacts, which can be an easy way for them to be contacted by someone who has seen them on YouTube.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE VIDEOS

As YouTube is the biggest video sharing website in the world, there is content available for all ages, meaning that some content will not be appropriate for your child. If you think that content is unsuitable, there is a flagging feature to submit it for review by YouTube staff, but you will need to be aware that just because video is not appropriate for a younger audience, it may not violate YouTube's policies. YouTube has mechanisms in place to automatically remove explicit and harmful content, but offensive content may still slip through.



Top Tips for Parents

TURN ON 'RESTRICTED' MODE

'Restricted Mode' is an optional setting you can use to help filter out potentially inappropriate content. You can enable your child's account on this setting in the 'Parental controls' or 'Device lock' section. To turn this on, go to the 'Parental controls' section in the YouTube app or website.

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| <p>Enabling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go to the bottom of any YouTube video and click on 'Restricted Mode' in the bottom right corner. To enable it more easily, go to the bottom right of the video and click on 'Parental controls'. Click on 'Restricted Mode'. Click on 'Turn on Restricted Mode'. | <p>Disabling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go to the bottom right of any YouTube video and click on 'Restricted Mode' in the bottom right corner. To disable it more easily, go to the bottom right of the video and click on 'Parental controls'. Click on 'Restricted Mode'. Click on 'Turn off Restricted Mode'. |
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Please note that you can't turn 'restricted mode' on or off for your child's account. You can only turn it on or off for your own account. You will need to turn this on each time your child uses it.

CREATE A FAMILY GOOGLE ACCOUNT

By having a shared family Google account, sharing the history and people you see is easy. When you log in to a device and sign in to YouTube, it will show history on a timeline. You can see what your child has watched, and when they watch, the history will be saved to the timeline.

YOUTUBE KIDS - PARENT APPROVED CONTENT

The YouTube Kids app gives parents more control over what their children watch on YouTube. It allows parents to create a profile for their child, and then select the content they want to see. It also allows parents to see what their child has watched and to remove any content that is not appropriate for their child.

BLOCKING ACCOUNTS

When using YouTube, there may be someone whose your child receives negative comments or is constantly getting your child a different time, there's a way to block them and prevent them from commenting or liking.

- Go to their channel/home by clicking on their name.
- Click on 'More'.
- Tap the dropdown menu with an image of a flag on it.
- Press 'Block user'.
- Tap 'Block'.

MONITOR WHAT YOUR CHILD IS WATCHING/POSTING

The only way to truly know what your child has been watching is to regularly monitor them. This can be done by checking their watching history. YouTube videos can also be searched, so it's important that your child understands the importance of not posting anything that is inappropriate. There's a way to see what your child has watched and posted, and you can remove any content that is not appropriate for your child. You can also see what your child has watched and posted, and you can remove any content that is not appropriate for your child.

DIGITAL WELLBEING

YouTube has launched a new tool called 'Time Watched' that allows you to see how long your child has spent on the platform. This can be found in the 'Parental controls' section. It allows you to see how long your child has spent on the platform, and you can set a limit on how long they can spend on the platform. You can also see what your child has watched and posted, and you can remove any content that is not appropriate for your child.

OPT FOR A FAMILY PREMIUM PLAN

A YouTube Family Premium plan may be a great alternative option if you have more than one child. For £17.99 a month, it allows you to share a YouTube premium membership with up to five other family members - aged 13 and older - living in the same household. As the account holder, or family manager, you must create a Google Family Group.

MANAGING IN-APP MESSAGES

If your child is receiving YouTube via your account, bear in mind that they may be receiving the Google+ comments which are completely blocked to them. You can remove comments from the suggested section by first by pressing and holding the person's name and tapping on 'Blocked'.

YOUTUBE GAMING

YouTube has created its own distribution for games, which highlights the top gaming videos from the user's watching history. This includes live streams, which are broadcasts of YouTube accounts, which show other people playing and commenting on games. These are called 'Live Play' videos. While YouTube can be a great resource for family fun and games, it's important to be aware that there is a lot of inappropriate content on YouTube. You can see what your child has watched and posted, and you can remove any content that is not appropriate for your child.

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