



THE WEEKLY WORD

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First Word ... from Ian Chislett, Assistant Headteacher

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Tuesday 5th February marked 'Internet Safety Day', which is a global event to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology. This has prompted national conversations, raising awareness of the dangers associated with the internet. The campaign calls upon young people, parents, teachers, and many other agencies to help to create a better and safer internet.

You will be aware of the many recent high profile news stories in the media demonstrating how young people have become vulnerable to misinformation, and exploitation via digital devices. These cases highlight the real risks posed by social media and the challenges young people face in today's digital world. A recent report by the Education Policy Institute (EPI) found more than one in three British teenagers are classified as 'extreme internet users' spending at least six hours per day online!

Earlier this month the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health recommended that children should not use screens for an hour before bedtime. It was suggested there was no prescribed 'safe' amount of total daily screen time, and parents should show tough love in setting age-appropriate limits; taking firm action if time on smartphones and videogames was displacing other activities - such as sleep, exercise and face-to-face socialising. Social media can provide many benefits to young people but also the pressure to live in the public eye, seeking reassurance through likes or shares and exposure to content which could be harmful or upsetting.

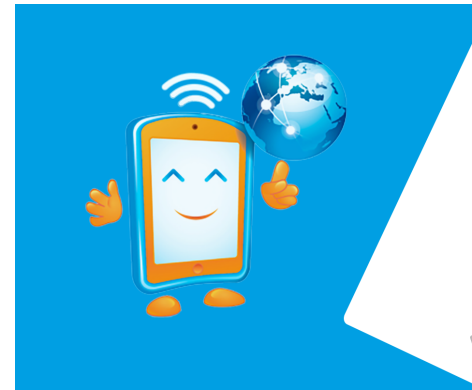
The internet does have the potential to allow people from very different backgrounds to share ideas and communicate in ways that were never previously possible; and it has without question improved the quality of education in many ways. It opens doorways to a wealth of information, knowledge and educational resources, increasing opportunities for learning in and beyond the classroom. However we must work together to ensure young people are equipped with the skills and resilience to stay safe online.

I would urge all parents to talk about technology at home and do your best to ensure that it plays a happy and constructive part in your child's positive mental health and well-being.

For more information and resources on how to keep your child safe online please see below the following link:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2019/education-packs/activities-parents-and-carers>

Ian Chislett



We are supporting
Safer Internet Day
5 Feb 2019

#SaferInternetDay2019
www.saferinternetday.org.uk

Data checking exercise

As part of our annual data checking exercise could we ask that all parents log onto **Insight** and check that the physical home address, contact details, and email addresses are all correct.

This information can be found by following the links on the **Insight homepage: general/personal details**.

Any change to these details can be amended through Insight or you can contact the school office.

If there is any other data you identify as being incorrect or out-of-date please notify us so we can keep all of our records accurate.

Thank you

Teresa Mpfu
Deputy Headteacher



TABLE TENNIS



Lunchtime Sessions:

Wednesday: year seven club members only (Lawrence Sheriff School)

Friday: club and school team members only (Lawrence Sheriff School)

Club Sessions:

Wednesday 6.30 pm—9.00 pm (Lawrence Sheriff School)

Sunday 10.00 am - 12.00 pm (Hill Street Community Centre)

Try them out - first two are free!

See the website for more info:

www.RugbyTableTennisClub.NET

Update on work at the Frank Whittle roundabout / A426 / A4303 junction and night closures of the A426

Work on the Frank Whittle Roundabout A426 / Lutterworth junction

We would like to update you on planned work on the carriageways at the Frank Whittle Roundabout near Lutterworth which will require night closures of the A426 and lane closures from early February.

We will be installing a pedestrian crossing, improving the lighting and enhancing traffic flow at this junction.

There will be a “signage point”(i.e. a sign advising on the closure further down), at the A426 / A5 junction, with advice that this closure, further down the A426, past the Golf Club will be “access only”.

Just past the junction with Lutterworth golf club there will be a closure point, between north of the Lutterworth Golf Club and the Frank Whittle roundabout. **There will be access to residents and businesses along the A426 and adjoining roads at all times via the A5 and signs will be posted to this effect for the benefit of residents.**

This will initially involve daytime vegetation clearance from 4 February and daytime lane closures at the roundabout on the 9 and 10 February.

From 11 February we will be closing the A426 from the Frank Whittle roundabout to the A5 junction at nights, 8pm – 6am, Monday to Friday. Access to properties along the A426 during night closures will be via the A5 junction. Work will last for 5 months.

All closures are subject to weather conditions, if you would like to be kept updated during this period of work please use the email address below:

magna.park@volkerwessels.co.uk

We apologise for the inconvenience caused through these essential works, there may be some noise and we will be using all available methods to keep this to a minimum.

For any questions, please contact our Public Liaison Department by email at magna.park@volkerwessels.co.uk or 07471 140915

Magna Park helpline