

Loatlands Edition

Respect, Resilience and Curiosity

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Dates for your Diary

Please follow the link below for the yearly planner, please check for updates.

<https://loatlandsprimary.net/news-dates/letters-home>



As we are now in the summer term I appreciate you will not be wanting to spend lots of money on new uniform as things start to fall apart or become a little tight. Please can I remind you that we do have a selection of nearly new items for sale that might help to see you through to the summer holiday.

Also remember that school uniform doesn't need to have a logo but does need to be school colours. I know local supermarkets sell our school uniform for as little as £1.50.

From September I would really like to push the smartness of the school uniform. I am a real believer that smart children have a smart mind. Over the years I'm sure different items have crept into school and I feel the uniform is not as smart as it could be. I am wanting to share these thoughts now, before you start purchasing items over the summer, so that we are ready in September to return with smartness.

From September we will continue to ask children to come to school dressed for PE. However, this will be tightened up to being a PLAIN black bottom, (shorts, cycling shorts, leggings, tracksuit bottoms) a red t-shirt (logo or not) a school jumper / cardigan and a pair of sporting trainers. (Fashion trainers are not ideal as the children need to support their ankles)

Finally, a reminder around the extras.

Hair, must be tied up once it is long enough to do so with a bobble and no large bows. Children are prone to nits and although we welcome everyone into our school we would rather keep these away.

Jewellery, must only be a small stud earring and children in Year 3 upwards can wear a watch (no camera watches for safeguarding reasons).

Nail varnish and tattoos should be for school holidays ONLY.




Please see pictures and descriptions below of what is accepted as school uniform at Loatlands Primary School.

Thank you in advance for your support on this, I am sure you will see what a difference a few tweaks and changes will make.

Mrs Willis

Below is the link to the website for our school uniform suppliers

[Leading Supplier of Online Schoolwear | Your School Uniform](#)

Year Group	Description	Photo
Reception – Year 4	Reception to year 4: Red cardigan/red crew neck jumper; White logo polo top/plain white polo top; Grey/black trousers/skirt.	
Year 5 - 6	Years 5 and 6: Red cardigan/red <u>v-neck</u> jumper; Plain white blouse/shirt; School tie; Grey/black trousers/skirt.	
Year 5 - 6	For children in years 5 and 6 only – red/grey stripe	

All children

School shoes must be flat with a closed toe. Perfect for running around.



PE clothes for all children

Red plain or logo t-shirt



Black shorts/leggings/joggers



Sports trainers





We have lots of second hand uniform ready to go into our sale. We are looking for some Volunteers to man the sale at the end of the school day (date to be confirmed). If you feel you would be able to help us out please speak to the school office. Thank you ☺



Please can we remind everyone that we are a no smoking or vaping site. Please refrain from doing either of these whilst on the School premises. Thank you ☺

Can you help us?

We are looking for volunteers to help us maintain our forest school area. If you are able to help us with this on an ad hoc basis please let our School Office know your details and we will contact you as and when we need an extra pair of hands

Thank you, Mrs Greenwood & Mr Rose



WELCOME!

We would like extend a warm welcome to Mrs Smedmore who has joined our Reception team as a Teaching assistant in Rosen Class.

Congratulations to Miss Muggleton who will be moving our Year 2 team as a Teaching Assistant in Dahl Class.

Congratulations also to Mrs Thomas who now works as a Teaching Assistant in Phase 1 across both Reception and Year 1 Classes.



We would like to wish all of our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck in their SATS next week. You are all amazing and have worked so hard! Good Luck ☺



Reminders

KS2 SATS Week 9TH – 12TH May

Year 6 Children only

Year 6 Breakfast Club 9th – 12th May

8am every morning next week – Year 6 children only

Coffee Morning – Tuesday 9th May

Open to all parents – see poster attached



Today we had our (inside) picnic in honour of King Charles 3rd Coronation taking place this weekend. A special thanks to ABM catering and our wonderful kitchen staff for going all out with the lovely food and wonderful decorations



Safeguarding Spotlight - You Tube

YouTube is a video sharing platform where you can watch, create and share videos. While you can't send private messages on the platform, you can communicate with other users via the comment section under the video player. YouTube Kids is a separate app and website created by YouTube that offers more filters and restrictions to help stop children coming across inappropriate content.

Is YouTube safe? | NSPCC

Please also refer to the poster below for more information.



YouTube is a video sharing site/application that enables you to upload, view, rate, share and comment on a wide variety of videos. Consisting of a huge resource of information, advice and entertainment, YouTube now has 1.9 billion logged-in monthly users who watch a billion hours of video daily. Most of the content on Google-owned YouTube is uploaded by individuals, but organisations and media companies also offer some of their content via this platform.



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 to tempt viewers into a £12-per-month plan. This includes the ability to download videos, stream videos with the app in the background, gives exclusive access to original content and a separate music streaming service and gaming app.

DANGEROUS 'CHALLENGE' & VIRAL VIDEOS

On YouTube, 'challenge videos' are shared quickly and can be very dangerous. One person may post a video of themselves doing something unusual like eating a hot chilli or jumping in a river and before you know it, the video goes viral and everyone wants to join in and share their videos. The speed in 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, emulating their YouTube heroes, such as Stampy or DanTDM. However, if they post something on YouTube, they may later regret it or feel embarrassed about what they have shared. There is also a risk that they will receive hurtful or negative comments regarding not only their content, but also their appearance. YouTube's comment section is infamous for being one of the most opinionated 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 bubble. This can be found at the top right of the desktop site or through in-app messaging on their mobile or tablet. When they tap on the 'Friends' icon, they have a list of suggested people from their contacts – which can be any contact they've had on Google or somebody who has sent them an invite link.

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, yet 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 screen out potentially mature content you may prefer your child not to see. Restricted Mode works on the browser or device level, so must be turned on for each browser or device your child uses. To do this, follow these steps:

Desktop:

- Go to the bottom of any YouTube page and switch 'Restricted Mode' to 'ON'.
- To make it more difficult for this to be turned off, you will be given the option to lock restricted mode onto your browser.

Mobile:

- Tap the three vertical dots at the top-right on the screen and press, 'Settings'.
- Click on 'Restricted mode filtering'.
- Press 'Restrict'.

Please note that you can't 'lock' restricted mode on a phone in the same way that you can on a desktop. 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, checking the history will enable you to see exactly what your child is watching and sharing on YouTube. To see the history on a computer, on the right hand menu under the library section, click 'History'. On mobiles, the viewing history can be found by clicking on the 'Library' tab.

BLOCKING ACCOUNTS

When using YouTube, there may be instances where your child receives negative comments. If somebody's giving your child a difficult time, here's how to block them and prevent future comments and replies:

- Go to their channel/account by clicking on their name.
- Click on 'About'.
- Tap the dropdown box with an image of a flag on it.
- Press 'Block user'.
- Tap 'Submit'.

MONITOR WHAT YOUR CHILD IS WATCHING/POSTING

The only way to truly know what your child may have been watching is to regularly monitor them. You can do this by checking their viewing history. YouTube videos can also be easily downloaded, so it is important that your child understands the associated dangers of content they are uploading and that it could harm their online reputation in the future. Show them how to set their videos to private or choose a small network of YouTube friends to share with. To get started, your child can use YouTube Studio which offers learning modules on creating a YouTube channel, however, you should encourage them not to use their real name.

NEW FEATURES*

DIGITAL WELLBEING

YouTube has launched a tool called 'Time Watched' that allows you to see how long has been spent on the platform. Once you have discovered how much time has been spent on the app, there is the option to set a time limit. Once the limit is reached, a reminder will pop up on the screen. You can also disable sounds and vibrations to help resist the urge to check for notifications.

OPT FOR A FAMILY PREMIUM PLAN

A YouTube family Premium plan may be a cost-effective option if you have more than one child. For £17.99 a month, it allows you to share a YouTube paid 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 account.

MANAGING IN-APP MESSAGES

If your child is accessing YouTube via your account, bear in mind that they may be contacted by Google contacts who are complete strangers to them. You can remove someone from the suggested contacts list by pressing and holding the person's name and tapping on the red 'x'.

POPULAR YOUTUBE GAMERS

There are hundreds of YouTube accounts which show other people playing and commenting on games. These are called 'Let's Play' videos. While YouTube can be a great resource for hints, tips and news for games, it is a good idea for parents to keep a close eye on what YouTube's are posting. Often, the games they are playing will contain strong language and violence. A few examples of popular YouTube gamers for you to have a look at are:

- Stampy
- Yogcast Lewis & Simon
- PewDiePie
- EthanGamer
- Markiplier
- CaptainsMMOs
- Captainsparklez
- Jacksepticeye
- LiCorbis
- Dan TDM

SOURCES: <https://www.thesun.co.uk/tech/6702517/youtube-porn-videos-roblox-sex-games-watch-online/>, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xrfrnIP96M>, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L2xy7hc-hc>, <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-126833/terrifying-truth-child-watches-YouTube.html>, <https://www.todaysparent.com/family/crazy-youtube-challenges-kids-are-doing/>, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4y6k0Jb0sg>, <https://localabc.com/magazine/common-sense-media-youtube/>, <http://familytech.com/so-your-kid-wants-to-start-their-own-youtube-channel/>, <https://www.baptistmag.com/articles/block-someone-youtube>, <https://www.youtube.com/intl/en-GB/yt/about/brand-resources/#logos-icons-colors>, <https://www.common-sense-media.org/blog/popular-youtube-gamers-kids-cant-get-enough-of-stamp>

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 This is not a definitive guide. Please always check with the app's support information to see if your security and privacy concerns are addressed.

www.nationalonlinesafety.com

Marvellous Me 'Thumbs Up' Celebration

To make the most of Marvellous Me, we have now added each child's House information (Mars, Earth, Saturn and Jupiter) to Marvellous Me.

This means that we are able to count all 'Thumbs Ups' awarded to children towards a House score.

This replaces the physical counters we used previously as House Points. Every week and at the end of every term, we will share the scores for each House with you.

Children can earn a 'Thumbs Up' for hard work and positive behaviour.

Thank you to all the parents that are accessing Marvellous Me.

It is a wonderful way of sharing your child's achievements with you.

This week's winner is **SATURN**, well done to everyone in Saturn House who received a thumbs up 😊



Saturn 1st Place 197



Earth 2nd Place 194



Mars 3rd Place 193



Jupiter 4th Place 191

Keep up the hard work everyone. Remember every Thumbs up counts!!



Loatlands Parents Coffee Morning

With a Continence Focus

Tuesday 9th May

9am – 12pm

In the Discovery Room

(via the Phase 3 Gate)

Worried? Concerned?

Or would just like to meet the team?

Come along and join us. Our friendly staff and school nurses will be on hand to have a chat and a cup of tea/coffee.

All parents and younger preschool siblings welcome





**Limited
spaces
available!**

KIDS HALF TERM CAMP



**FUN & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR
BOYS & GIRLS 4-11 YEARS OLD
SCHOOL YEAR RECEPTION TO YEAR 6**



30th May - 2nd June

STANDARD: 9AM-3PM-£15

EXTENDED: 8AM-4:30PM-£22

Activities:

- ✓ Arts & Crafts
- ✓ Sports
- ✓ Design & Technology
- ✓ Outdoor Adventures
- ✓ Science Experiments

Benefits:

- ✓ Qualified Deliverers
- ✓ Ofsted Registered
- ✓ Safe & Welcoming
- ✓ Rewards to be won
- ✓ DBS Checked

At Rothwell Victoria Infant School

7 School Ln, Rothwell,
Kettering
NN14 6HZ



PAID BOOKINGS:

<https://fiestasportscoaching.magicbooking.co.uk>

REVISED Pathfinder Schools - 2022-23 academic year Term Dates

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Pupils	189
Teachers	194

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