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Year 4 Rainforest Trip



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King's Coronation Picnic



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Maypole Enrichment Day



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Parent Workshop Menu

All workshops will take place in the school hall. Pupils are welcome to attend with their parents and there is no requirement to reserve a place, all parents are welcome.

Date	Session	Staff Lead	Venue
18/4/23	Writing Workshop	Mr Sinclair and Mrs Kelly	School Hall at 8:30am and 2:30pm
19/4/23	Writing Workshop	Mr Sinclair and Mrs Kelly	School Hall at 8:30am and 2:30pm
16/5/23	Zones Of Regulation (Emotional Regulation)	Mr Wingrove, Ms Bird and Mrs Daud	School Hall at 8:30 and 2pm
17/5/23	Zones Of Regulation (Emotional Regulation)	Mr Wingrove, Ms Bird and Mrs Daud	School Hall at 8:30 and 2pm
22/5/23	Science workshop	Mrs Newton and Mrs Syed	School Hall at 8:30am and 2pm
23/5/23	Science workshop	Mrs Newton and Mrs Ogundipe	School Hall at 8:30am and 2pm
9/6/23	Year 5 only Science/PSHE workshop Trustwide	Mrs Mughal and Mrs Syed (Marish) Mrs Ogundipe and Mrs Gill (Willow)	School Hall at 2pm

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Attendance

Marish

May 2023

Reception: **91.24%**

Year 1: **92.55%**

Year 2: **93.04%**

Year 3: **90.81%**

Year 4: **96.80%**

Year 5: **92.96%**

Year 6: **91.69%**

Target: 96%

Willow

May 2023

Reception: **93.53%**

Year 1: **97.59%**

Year 2: **95.83%**

Year 3: **92.50%**

Year 4: **96.56%**

Year 5: **90.68%**

Year 6: **93.67%**

Target: 96%



**EVERY DAY
COUNTS**

**Student success
starts with
attendance**



Below 90% Serious Concern

Drastic effect on academic success

95- 90% Cause for Concern

Negatively affecting academic success

100%- 96% WELL DONE

Achieving full potential

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Parent Notices

Timings of the school day

Soft start is from 8am for all year groups.

Resource Base:	Doors open from 8.15am to 8.45am and then at 3.00pm
Nursery:	8.00 - 11.00am and 12.00pm - 3.00pm
Reception:	8.30am - 2.45pm
Year 1 and Year 2:	8.20am - 2.50pm
Year 3 and Year 4:	8.20am - 2.55pm
Year 5 and Year 6:	8.20am - 3pm

School Grounds

Please do not bring bikes or scooters of any kind onto the school grounds at any time. Dogs are not allowed on site.

Water Bottles

Children should bring in a water bottle every day, with their name clearly labelled on the bottle.

No Peanuts

Please do not bring nuts of any kind. We are a nut free school.

Lost Property

The lost property box in the playground is emptied weekly. Please check for any items that your child may have lost. Unclaimed items will be taken to charity.

PE Kit

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on the days they have PE. PE Kit consists of T shirt, shorts, joggers/tracksuit bottoms, jumper and trainers.

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E-Safety

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many devices which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

10 top tips for safely using SMARTWATCHES

Kids love gadgets, and smartwatches – available to buy from as little as £20 online – make a tempting gift. As with any type of mobile technology, though, smartwatches can pose risks to children unless they're used safely. Receiving unwanted calls, cyber-stalking and distracting a young person when they're crossing the road are all known risks associated with smartwatches. However, these devices can bring plenty of benefits for children and parents alike – so let's examine the pros and cons of smartwatches.

AVOID CHEAP OPTIONS

A quick search online yields a torrent of cheap smartwatches for kids, costing as little as £20. It's wise to avoid this bargain basement tech: It tends to deliver a poor experience with inferior battery life, and it's hard to have faith in the software's safety. There have been cases of smartwatches being hacked to track or contact children; stick to known brands who have a reputation to protect.

CONTROL CALLING

Many smartwatches have the facility to make or take calls. As with a phone, you may want to restrict who your child can call – or be called by. On Apple Watches, you can select trusted contacts who are allowed to ring your child, while other watches' controls vary hugely. Some need to connect to a linked phone for calls, so you may be able to block unknown contacts via that device instead.

BWARE HIDDEN COSTS

For a smartwatch to allow calls independently (that is, without being connected to a phone via Bluetooth), it will need its own mobile data plan. This might take the form of a tiny SIM card that you slot into the watch – or an eSIM, where the physical card is replaced by software settings. Either way, this will incur an additional monthly cost that you'll need to factor into any buying decision.

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Apple Watches aren't cheap, but they do offer superb safety features – allowing parents to control calls, messages and emails on the device, as well as a location tracking system that can send alerts if kids wander beyond pre-set boundaries. Their SOS function enables children to contact emergency services instantly if they're in trouble, which simultaneously also alerts parents and carers.

MAKE THEM COOL FOR SCHOOL

Some schools have banned smartwatches, as pupils have been using them as substitute phones. If your child's school does permit them, some devices can be set to prevent distractions in class. For example, Apple's Schooltime feature turns their watches into ordinary time-keeping devices during school hours. The display changes in this mode, showing teachers that it isn't being used for other purposes.

TRACK ITS LOCATION

Both Apple and Android devices have apps which allow you to track a smartwatch's location. They can also initiate an audio alert – avoiding those cushion-hurling panics when a treasured device can't be found at home. If you're planning to track your child's location via their watch, make them aware of that in advance. You could even make it a condition of them getting the watch in the first place.

THINK 'SAFETY FIRST'

Smartwatches are often worth hundreds of pounds, which can make young people wearing one a target for thieves. Advise your child to keep the watch hidden in public (when possible) and not to resist if muggers demand their watch. If you manage to track a stolen device, pass that information to the police: location data isn't always accurate, so you could end up wrongly accusing someone.

STORE MEDICAL INFO

Devices including the Samsung Galaxy Watch and Apple Watch can store the owner's medical details (such as their blood group and any pre-existing medical conditions), potentially giving emergency services access to vital information in a crisis. These devices also have "hard fall" detection, which sends a text message to selected contacts along with a map showing the wearer's location.

USE THEM AS MOTIVATION

If you're worried your child's spending too much time slumped on the sofa staring at screens, smartwatches are great fitness trackers and can be a powerful incentive to get moving. Some devices will alert the wearer if they've been inactive for a long time and encourage them to do some exercise. Many watches record the user's daily step count and measure other health metrics.

BE MINDFUL OF BEDTIME

Many smartwatches offer sleep tracking, which some (usually older) children use to justify wearing them to bed. However, that also presents a temptation to message friends or check social media late at night, even if their phone is downstairs. Unless there's a valid reason not to, you could encourage your child to remove the watch in the evenings and ensure the charger stays in a different room.

Meet Our Expert

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Some Useful Information



The poster features a white background with a Union Jack bunting border at the top. The text 'You're Invited to a' is in a cursive font, followed by 'Community Litter Pick to' in a green box, and 'Mark the Kings Coronation' in large blue letters. The event details are in a speech bubble: 'A chance for everyone to help out in the Town Centre - Monday 8th May 12pm - 2pm'. The meeting location is 'MEET AT ST MARYS CHURCH AT 12PM CHURCH STREET'. The Slough BID logo is in the top right. At the bottom are logos for 'Union - cum - Chalvey', 'GO goodgym', and 'THE BIG HELP OUT'. Illustrations include a blue recycling symbol over a globe, a blue plastic bag, a brown coffee cup, a green plastic bottle, a white cup with a red straw, and a white cardboard box.

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Coronation**

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