





# PRIMARY WORD

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## Events for week beginning 16th January 2023

Weekday	Time	Event	Venue	Taken By
Monday	12.15 - 13.15	YR4&5 Home Learning Club	Miss de Rossi's Class	Miss de Rossi
	15.30 - 16.30	Freestyle Soccer	Field	Mr Jones
	15.30 - 16.15	Athletics Practice	Main Hall	Mrs Devereux/Miss Rigby
	19.00 - 21.00	Governing Board Meeting	Meeting Room	Governors
Tuesday	09.00 - 11.30	YR4 Samba Drumming	Small Hall	YR4 Teachers
	15.30 - 16.30	Running Club	Field	Mrs Devereux/Mrs Varrier/Miss Rigby
	18.15 - 20.00	Taekwon-do	Main Hall	Mr Bonfield
Wednesday	08.30 - 08.50	Selected YR3 Reading Club	Library	Mrs Marsh
	12.15 - 12.35	YR4 Worship Team	KS1 Activity Area	Mrs Stiles
	12.50 - 14.00	Woodwind	Library	Miss Gunn
	15.30 - 16.30	YR3&4 Atomic Science	Miss Stockbridge/Mrs Burrage's Class	Atomic Tom
	18.00 - 18.30	YR6 Parents SATs Evening	Main Hall	Mrs Reynolds
Thursday	09.00 - 12.40	Guitar	Library	Mr Smith
	12.35 - 13.05	Year 2 Choir	Mrs Walter's Class	Mrs Walter/Miss Fortnum
	15.30 - 16.15	KS2 Choir	Main Hall	Mrs Marsh/Varrier/Devereux
	15.30 - 16.30	Freestyle Dodgeball	Playground	Freestyle
	17.30 - 19.45	Taekwon-do	Main Hall	Mr Bonfield
Friday	 <b>PTA Cookie Day (50p)</b> 			
	08.30 - 08.50	Selected YR3 Reading Club	Library	Mrs Marsh
	13.00 - 15.00	Kurling & Boccia Festival	Daventry Leisure Centre	Mrs Devereux
	12.45 - 15.00	Selected YR6 Swimming	The Mounts	Miss Bond/Miss Hope
	15.30 - 16.30	Freestyle Dodgeball	Field	Freestyle
Sunday	10.30 - 11.30	Brixworth Community Church - Informal service	Main Hall	Rev Andy Lloyd Williams

## Important Notices

### Running Club

Please note running club will start on Tuesday 17th January from 3.30 - 4.30pm.



### KS2 Choir

Choir will return to the original collection time of 4.15pm on Thursday afternoons.

### Cookie Day

Reminder - The PTA Cookie day will be held on Friday 20th January. Again, we kindly request a donation of 50p per cookie.



### PTA Disco - Friday 10th February 6-8pm

Tickets for the PTA disco have now sold out. It was brought to our attention that scammers were claiming they had tickets to sell on Facebook. These individuals were reported and blocked and we can confirm that all tickets purchased have been bought by genuine parents.

Please can we request that if you no longer require your tickets to inform the PTA as they have a waiting list. If you would like to be added to the waiting list please email: [brixworthprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:brixworthprimarypta@gmail.com).

We'd also like to remind parents that all children need to be accompanied by an adult on the night.





# Young Voices

On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January myself, a team of willing staff and 92 members of the KS2 Choir arrived once again at the World Resorts Arena to attend the Young Voices mass choir experience! This was the largest group of children we had ever taken to this event and it was wonderful to see so many children enthusiastic about singing together... the excitement from the children clearly reflected this throughout the day! At the arena we were joined by over 6,600 other children from across the country who had eagerly been rehearsing a repertoire of songs and dances to perform with many famous artists, including Heather Small and Urban Strides. As always we were incredibly proud of the children who not only behaved brilliantly but were a credit to our school and their parents. I have no doubts they have spent the last few days (as I have!) singing away to themselves their favourite songs and reminiscing on the lifelong memories that they have made. Many thanks must also go to not only the staff and parents but also to the generous PTA who funded part of the coach cost for this experience.

- Mrs Marsh



On Wednesday 11th January, we got on a coach and travelled to Birmingham. It took an hour and fifteen minutes. We finally arrived feeling excited. All together there were 6654 children and it felt like a dream when we were standing there. One of our favourite parts was when we sang and waved our torches, it looked like waves in a sea slowly swaying. One of the special guests was Heather Small and she sang her song 'Proud' and we all joined in. This was all for a charity called 'Place2Be'.

- By Maisy M & Evie L Year 6





"Young Voices was really good because there were so many people who were all singing together. Nobody was staying quiet"  
- Myla L

"It was amazing! I really love singing and I got to sing all day!" - Jessie A

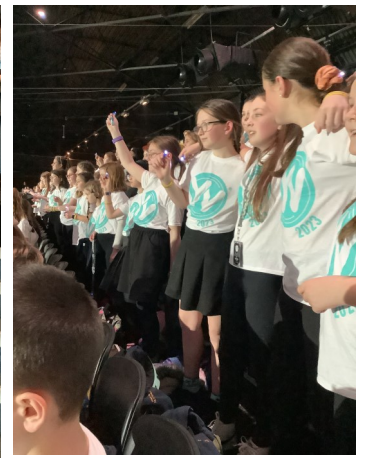
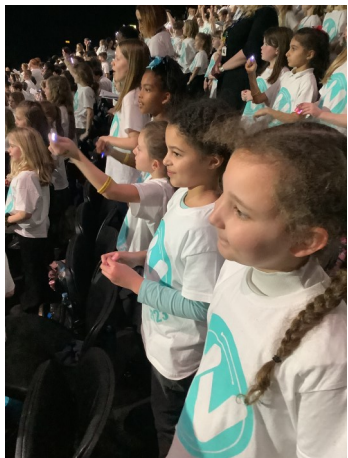
"It was good especially the beat boxers."  
- Molly K

"I thought it was really cool. I loved the lights and when we got to wave our torches." - Emily C

"The best part of the day was dancing with Urban Strides!"  
- Charlie K

"I really liked how we got to sing with Heather Small who sang Proud."  
- Layla P

"It was really good as we got to meet new people. Just being there was good."  
- Darcy D



### Year 6 Parents SATs Evening Wednesday 18th January

The end of Key Stage 2 National Curriculum tests (SATs) are undertaken during the week beginning Tuesday 9th May.

Following the successful use of SATs revision guides in previous years, we will be using them again this year. There is a meeting for parents on **Wednesday 18th January at 6.00pm** to discuss the KS2 tests and the importance of using the guides.

Please note this meeting is for parents only as the children will attend their own meeting during school time.

### MID-DAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy in school for a Midday Supervisor.

The hours of employment are

**1 hour 45 minutes per day**

**Monday - Friday**

(8 hours 45 minutes per week)

**38 weeks of the year** (term time only)

Salary £4042.00

Further information can be obtained from the school office or on the school website.  
Closing date: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023



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 game of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about OF WORLD WARCRAFT

AGE RESTRICTION  
**12+**

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

World of Warcraft originally launched way back in 2004, and since then the game has blossomed into a major entertainment property. It's spawned spin-off novels, merchandise and even a Hollywood movie adaptation – but why are we still talking about it in 2023? World of Warcraft's most recent iteration, Dragonflight, launched last November and marks the game's ninth major expansion. This latest addition has attracted a whole host of lapsed players back to the game – as well as newcomers jumping into the realm of Azeroth for the first time.

## ALWAYS ONLINE

World of Warcraft is an MMORPG, which stands for Massively Multiplayer Online Role-Playing Game. Players create a character and head off on mythical quests to earn rewards and become more powerful. The game's environment is absolutely vast, and it can only be played online on PC or Mac – so there's a high probability of young Warcraft fans wanting to monopolise the family computer.

## REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As is common with many MMORPGs, World of Warcraft's developers, Blizzard, release regular expansions for the game (usually every 18 months to two years). So although there's still plenty of content for young players to experience right now, there will almost inevitably be a requirement to continue buying future expansion packs, which tend to cost around £50.

## IN-GAME PURCHASES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Just like its genre contemporary Final Fantasy XIV, World of Warcraft requires a monthly subscription fee to play. It's currently £9.99 per month (although you can get it cheaper by signing up to a longer subscription). There are also many items which can be purchased from the in-game store that don't affect gameplay, but instead offer cosmetic alterations to a player's character.

## VOICE AND TEXT CHAT

Because World of Warcraft is played exclusively on PCs and Macs, it's easy for users to type out text messages if they aren't comfortable using voice chat. If you'll forgive the pun, that's a double-edged sword because – although there's less chance of them being harassed verbally – it puts young players at increased risk of being trolled or receiving spam through the in-game messaging function.

## SIMULATED VIOLENCE

The fact that World of Warcraft is almost 20 years old means that even its most violent battles look slightly cartoonish compared with the level of authenticity in many more modern games. The exception tends to be Warcraft's in-game cutscenes: animated sequences which move the plot onto the next stage. These offer more realistic visuals, but they still aren't overly gory or scary.

## POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

World of Warcraft can trigger a powerful "just one more quest" mentality in players (especially young ones) as they rush to secure the next dopamine hit from levelling their character up or earning a new item or weapon. It's also a game that doesn't have a definite 'end' – because as soon as a player finishes levelling up one character, they can start afresh with another one.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### MANAGE PLAYTIME

World of Warcraft can be an extremely enjoyable game to play with friends, but it's important that your child doesn't let their adventures crowd out school work, socialising or anything else they also enjoy. You could, for example, consider imposing playtime limits – such as a set number of hours to play Warcraft per week, or restricting it to particular days or just weekends.

### MAKE IT A REWARD

If your child is excited about getting the next World of Warcraft expansion, you could consider using it as a reward for completing their weekly tasks (you could even call them 'quests'!) like tidying their room or doing their homework. This will demonstrate that you're happy for them to play the game but will also help them to build good, productive habits, reinforcing that hard work earns rewards.

### SIGN UP FOR THE FREE TRIAL

Warcraft's monthly subscription effectively 'pays' for the regular new content, but there's also a sizeable free trial that lets new players explore the world of Azeroth without paying a penny. Players can play up until Level 20 for free, which is easily several hours' worth of gameplay. If your child does take this option, we'd suggest minimising in-game spending by not linking a bank card to their account.

### REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

Due to mild violence and the occasional use of offensive language, World of Warcraft has been rated as appropriate for players aged 12 and over by PEGI (the Pan-European Game Information system, which gives games their age certificate). It isn't really suitable for anyone below that age, so you may potentially have to explain this reasoning to your younger children if they want to play it.

### ADVENTURE TOGETHER

Warcraft can certainly be addictive, but playing it together is also a great way to spend time with your child. The game's focus on cooperative questing and battling enemies can make it feel like you've accomplished something as a team, and you'll also be in a prime position to spot any early signs of addiction. Just remember to apply gaming time limits to yourself as well as your young ones!

## Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Games Editor of technology and entertainment website Deserto and has been working in the gaming media for three years. A long-time gaming enthusiast, he is also a parent and therefore a keen advocate of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have also been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar, among others.



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**At All Saints', we are aware that there are lots of things happening on Sunday mornings that might make it hard for you to come along to church**



**That's why we started a new monthly family-friendly group on Sunday afternoons.**

**There will be games, crafts, songs, bible teaching, quizzes, competitions, and snacks!**

**...and we'd love you to come along.**

**If you'd like to come, please let us know - [revdavidreith@gmail.com](mailto:revdavidreith@gmail.com)**

