



PRIMARY WORD

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Events for week beginning 10th July 2023

Weekday	Time	Event	Venue	Taken By
Monday	15.30 - 16.30	Freestyle Soccer	School Field	Freestyle
	15.30 - 16.00	Lost Property Stall	Bandstand	Mrs Rose
	19.00 - 21.00	Governors Meeting	Main Hall	Governors
Tuesday	Bag2School Donations to Classrooms			
	12.15 - 13.15	YR4&5 Home Learning Club	Miss de Rossi's Class	Miss de Rossi
	13.15 - 15.30	Transition Afternoon	New Classes	Foundation Stage - Year 5
	15.30 - 16.30	STEM Club	Miss Worster's Class	Miss Worster
	15.30 - 16.15	YR6 Drama Club	Main Hall	Miss Bond
	18.15 - 20.00	Taekwon-do	Main Hall	Mr Bonfield
Wednesday	09.00 - 12.15	Transition Morning	New Classes	Foundation Stage - Year 5
	12.15 - 12.35	YR4 Worship Team	KS1 Activity Area	Mrs Stiles
	13.20 - 14.30	Woodwind	Library	Miss Gunn
	15.30 - 16.30	Atomic Science Group 2	Miss Bradley's Class	Atomic Tom
Thursday	09.00 - 12.40	Guitar	Library	Mr Smith
	09.30 - 11.00	Miss Fortnum's Class Village Walk	Brixworth Village	Miss Fortnum
	15.30 - 16.30	Freestyle Dodgeball	Playground	Freestyle
	17.30 - 19.45	Taekwon-do	Main Hall	Mr Bonfield
Friday	08.40	Walking Bus	Brixworth Library to School	Mrs Devereux / Miss Rigby
	09.10 - 10.40	Year 6 Presentation Assembly	Main Hall	Whole School
	09.00 - 10.20	Violin & Cello	Library	Mr Ebrahim
	12.45 - 15.00	Selected YR5&6 Swimming	The Mounts	Mrs Reynolds
	15.30 - 16.30	Freestyle Dodgeball	School Field	Freestyle
Sunday	10.30 - 11.30	Brixworth Community Church - Informal Service	Main Hall	Rev Andy Lloyd Williams

School Notices

Class Transitions

On **Tuesday 11th July** the children will be advised who their new teacher will be.

They will spend **Tuesday afternoon** and **Wednesday morning** with their new teacher in the new classroom. They will return to their existing class for 3.30pm collection on Tuesday.

On Wednesday morning, they will begin their day in the new class so please drop your child off to their new classroom.

On **Monday 17th July** you will have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher from 3.40pm in their new classroom.



Annual Reports

Next Friday (14th July), your child will be given their annual report to take home with them. If you wish to discuss any information from the report there will be an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher on **Tuesday 18th July between 3.45 - 5pm**.

Please call the office to arrange an appointment.

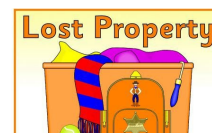
If you require a second copy of the report to be sent out to an additional parent, please contact the office to arrange this.



Lost Property

All lost property will be placed outside, under the bandstand at the end of the school day on

Monday 10th July should you wish to retrieve any missing items.



Mercedes Grand Prix Winners

As mentioned previously in Primary Word, Mercedes had given us the opportunity for two pupils and their parents to attend the factory in Brixworth on the 9th of July to watch the British Grand Prix. The two lucky winners, selected at random, are Owen Harrison and Elsie Kean.

Silverstone Museum - Kids Go Free Vouchers - Silverstone Museum have kindly provided the school with an exclusive offer to visit their iconic Museum over the summer months. For every full paying adult ticket a child can go free. The Kids Go Free vouchers are located in the school office should you wish to retrieve some. You can book the adult tickets online at <https://www.silverstonemuseum.co.uk/tickets/> or pay on the day. Just hand the free child's voucher in on the day to claim your child's free entry.



Your child has been sent home with the Bag2School donation bag this week.

If you wish to donate, please fill the bag with the relevant items and return the bag to your child's classroom on the morning of **Tuesday 11th July**.

If you fill the donation bag and have extra items please feel free to use your own bags.

The more you donate, the more money we raise for new school resources!

Year 6 Events - Reminder

Presentation Assembly

Friday 14th July at 9.10am

Church Service

Tuesday 18th July at 10.30am

Leavers Party

Wednesday 19th July at 5.30pm

Leavers Performance Assembly

Thursday 20th July at 9.30am & 1.45pm

Please note there has been a slight adjustment to the start time. It will now begin at **9.30am** instead of 9.45am as previously advised.

Assembly Theme Week Commencing 10th July 2023

Peace

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who have won awards for consistently upholding one or more of the school values.

**Inclusion**

Isla M
Ariah S
Harley F

Excellence

Harvey R
Grace L
Holly P

Respect

Aman S
Tilly H
Florence P

Aspiration

Kody S

YR4 & 5 Girls Experience at Silverstone Museum

On Tuesday, a group of year 4 & 5 girls went to Silverstone to promote girls on the track. It was a brilliant experience. At the very start of our amazing day we met with the first disabled lady to drive a race car. Most people do not get the chance to sit in a famous persons vehicle, especially Nathalie's, so this was super exciting.

We did a pit stop challenge to see who could change the tyres in the least amount of time. Did you know the fastest time to change this is 1.7 seconds by Redbull? Overall we did not win but we did it in 14.09 seconds. This was one of our favourite challenges. We also had a virtual reality experience in the cinema port where we came 4th.



A paramedic who works on a track for the Grand Prix came in and taught us more about CPR. Also, in the museum we raced each other on a giant scalextrics track.

Before we went to do the CPR, we built a lego race car. We had to get our construction brains on and build it. After we built it, we used the ipads to make commands and then we tested it.

We met some aerodynamicists, who taught us about the makes of cars and how to make them go faster. It was so fun! - **By Grace G & Sienna R, Year 5**



'Madness'

Each week we listen to a different music artist for our song of the week. This picture shows us dancing to a song by Madness called 'Baggy Trousers'.

It is their famous Ska dance walk.

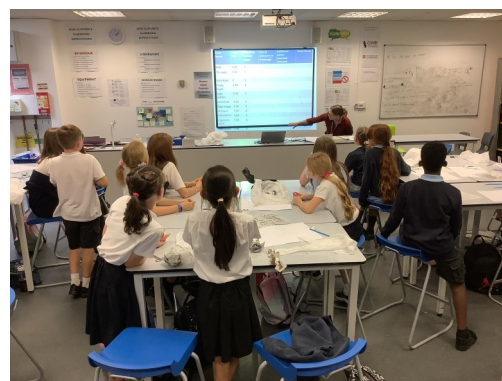
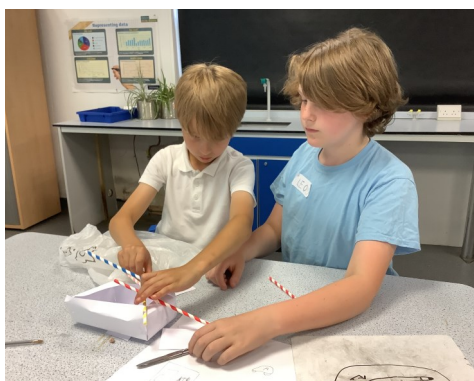
Mr George led the way in his Madness inspired outfit and we loved singing and dancing along to this song.

- **By Blake P and Jackson S, Year 5**



YR5 Science Experiment Day

On Thursday 29th June, year 5 children were invited to Moulton School and Science College for the chance to experience what a day at Moulton Secondary School is like. They all took part in various experiments and thoroughly enjoyed their day.



Sports News

On Thursday 22nd June our year 3 and 4 Quadkids athletics team attended the next round of the Quadkids competition after winning the cluster event a few weeks ago.

This event saw schools from all over the county compete at the four events: 50m sprint, 400m run, standing long jump and howler.

All children participated in all of the events and their individual scores were added together for a team total. Our team came 4th out of 15 which was a fantastic achievement in a very competitive event.

All of the children represented the school well and did us proud.





A VERY BIG THANK YOU



To everyone who attended our Summer Fair. It was so lovely to see you all! We hope you had a brilliant time!

We are extremely excited to tell you that we raised over £5,000!

The PTA Team would like to express particular thanks to the following who helped enormously in the setting up and running of the event:

The PTA volunteers and parent helpers – events like this would simply not happen without your support – thank you for everything!

I would like to give special thanks to the members of the PTA committee, including the toys and game group for their help and support throughout the planning process.

- * Teachers, members of staff and Year 6 children who helped on the day. Plus, the amazing Year 6 children who helped with sorting all the raffle tickets and distributing them before the event!
- * Mrs Rose for spending all her spare time folding all the raffle tickets.
- * Mr Tyler for his continual support and help.
- * Mr Salter for all that he does to support the PTA and making sure we have everything we need to put on our events.
- * To all the children who chose to wear mufti cloths in exchange for a gift or donation to go towards the Fair. Without you and your parent's kind generosity and support, many of the stalls we run would not happen.

Thank you to Stuart Little of Horts Estate Agents for supplying the advertising boards throughout the village and a bouncy castle!

Thank you to our contact at Barclaycard who matched £4£ on the money raised by the raffle.

Thank you to all the business, stallholders and parents who contributed to our Fair, Raffle, and donated prizes for our many games. It was lovely to see so many local businesses supporting our event:

Wilson Browne Solicitors

The Pinnacle Centre

Waitrose

Blossom with Beckys Cleaning

Mawsley Machinery

Northampton Covert Farm Caravan Site

Able Mortgages

Riverside Hub

Sweaty Mama Northampton

National Grid

Wacoal

Horts Estate Agents

Northampton Town FC

Mercedes

Blasons Garage

Naomi Boddington

Ray Bell & Sons Skip Hire & Recycling

Thank you all so much!

Lenette Warren, Chairperson

Teaching Assistant Vacancy

This position is 31.50 hours per week, 39 weeks of the year.

Salary £15233 pa

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic, caring and dedicated Teaching Assistant with experience of Upper Key Stage Two to join our team from September 2023. We will consider employing a HLTA with the appropriate skills or the option of selected days for the right candidate for this post

The successful candidate would work alongside the class teacher supporting pupils in classes, in small groups and individually. If a HLTA is appointed there would be an expectation of some whole class cover.

It is a requirement of this post that you undertake lunchtime supervision.

The successful candidate will:

- Have the safety and wellbeing of our children at the centre of all they do
- Have a commitment to supporting children
- Show empathy and compassion to the social, emotional and mental wellbeing of all our children
- Be able to work effectively as part of a team and be able to demonstrate excellent interpersonal skills
- Support and uphold the Christian ethos of the school
- Find fulfilment and joy at helping children to become the best they can be

In return, we can offer you a great team of professionals, children and a supportive school community. We will provide you with excellent opportunities to develop professionally.

The selection process will consist of an interview with members of the senior leadership team, a short observed activity with a group of pupils and an interview with the school council.

Applications should be emailed to the school at: office50@brixworth.northants.sch.uk by 9.00 am on Wednesday 12th July. Interviews will take place week commencing 17th July.

We are committed to safeguarding in our school and promoting the welfare of all our children and adults in our community and we expect all members of our staff to share this commitment.

For more information about our wonderful school, please look at our website:

<https://www.brixworthprimary.org.uk/>

We recommend candidates phone the school and arrange for an informal visit with the Headteacher.

Application packs can be downloaded from our school website.

The Song of the Week This week is...

Our House
By
Madness





What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+



Snapchat is an instant messaging app which allows users to send images, videos and texts to people in their friends list. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures and messages 'disappear' 24 hours after they've been viewed; however, this content isn't as temporary as many believe – with some users saving screenshots or using another device to take a photo of their screen. This year, Snapchat added 'My AI': a customisable chatbot with which people can chat and share secrets, as well as asking for advice and suggestions of places to visit.

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

Even if your child only connects with people they know, they may still get friend requests from strangers. The Quick Add option lets users befriend people the app recommends – but these ‘friends’ are merely a username, which could have *anyone* behind it. Accepting such requests reveals children’s personal information through the Story, SnapMap and Spotlight features, potentially putting them at risk from predators.

EXCESSIVE USE

Snapchat works hard on user engagement, with features like streaks (messaging the same person every day to build up a high score). Spotlight Challenges tempt users into spending time producing content in search of cash prizes and online fame, while it's easy for children to pass hours watching Spotlight's endless scroll of videos.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some videos and posts on Snapchat aren't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature also makes it easy for young people (teens in particular) to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

My AI is Sapchat's new chatbot, which replies to questions in a human-like manner. However, the software is still in its infancy and has significant drawbacks, such as biased, incorrect or misleading responses. There have already been numerous reports of young users turning to AI for medical help and diagnoses, which could be inaccurate and therefore potentially dangerous.

ONLINE PRESSURES

Although many of Snapchat's filters are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'body' effects on photos can set unrealistic body-image expectations – creating feelings of inadequacy if a young person compares themselves unfavourably with other users. Snapchat now also has 'priority' notifications (which still get displayed even if a device is in 'do not disturb' mode), increasing the pressure on users to log back in and interact.

VISIBLE LOCATION

Snap Map highlights a device's exact position on a virtual map which is visible to other users. There are options to restrict who can see this information: all friends, only you (Ghost Mode) or selected friends. Snapchat also has real-time location sharing, which is intended as a buddy system to ensure friends have reached home safely – but which could also be used to track a young person for more sinister reasons.

Advice for Parents & Carers

TURN OFF QUICK ADD

The Quick Add feature helps people find each other on the app. This function works based on mutual friends or whether someone's number is in your child's contacts list. Explain to your child that this could potentially make their profile visible to strangers. We recommend that your child turns off Quick Add, which can be done in the settings (accessed via the cog icon).

CHOOSE GOOD CONNECTIONS

In 2021, Snapchat rolled out a new safety feature: users can now receive notifications reminding them of the importance of maintaining connections with people they actually know well, as opposed to strangers. This 'Friend Check Up' encourages users to delete connections with users that they rarely communicate with, to maintain their online safety and privacy.

DISCUSS AI

Although My AI's responses can often give the impression that it's a real person, it's essential that young people remember this certainly isn't the case. Encourage your child to think critically about My AI's replies to their questions: are they accurate and reliable? Remind them that My AI shouldn't replace chatting with their real friends, and that it's always better to talk to an actual person in relation to medical matters.

CHAT ABOUT CONTENT

It may feel like an awkward conversation (and one that young people can be reluctant to have) but it's important to talk openly and not judge about sexting. Remind your child that once something's online, the creator loses control over where it ends up – and who else sees it. Likewise, it's vital that children understand that some challenges which become popular on the platform may have potentially harmful consequences.

KEEP ACCOUNTS PRIVATE

Profiles are private by default, but children may make them public to gain more followers. Snap stories are visible to everyone your child adds, unless they change the settings. On SnapMaps, their location is visible unless Ghost Mode is enabled (again via settings). It's safest not to add people your child doesn't know in real life – especially since the addition of My Places, which allows other Snapchat users to see where your child regularly visits and checks in.

BE READY TO BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger *does* connect with your child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending sexual images to them, your child can select the three dots on that person's profile and report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user (annoying or malicious messages, spam, or masquerading as someone else, for example).

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



Sources: <https://helpingphd.com/hc/en-gb/articles/000057605032-What-is-My-AI-on-Snapchat-and-how-do-I-use-it> | https://valueunsp.com/en_GB/news/easy-ways-to-boost-your-brand-and-new-ability-enhancements | <https://dailymotion.com/video/x8z0z0q-snapchat-ai-location-sharing-challenge> | <https://helpingphd.com/hc/en-gb/articles/00004986844>

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Hotdogs, Burgers



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School Uniform Exchange

Friday 14th July at 3:30pm

Outside the Library and Community Centre on Spratton Road.

Donations please for the Summer Holiday Foodshare Funds

**Also (at same event) uniform exchange for good condition
pre- owned uniform items for local schools.**

