



PRIMARY WORD

We should be the best we can be for we are all God's Masterpiece

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Events for week beginning Monday 15th April 2024

Day	Time	Event	Venue	Taken By
Monday 15th	15.30-16.30	School Reopens YR1-4 Freestyle Soccer	School Field	Freestyle
Tuesday 16th	12.15-13.00 15.30-16.15 18.15-20.00	YR4/5 Home Learning Club YR3&4 Athletics Club - Group 1 Taekwon-do	Miss de Rossi's Room School Field Main Hall	Miss de Rossi Mrs Devereux Mr Bonfield
Wednesday 17th	09.00-11.00	YR3, 5/6 Guitar	Library	Mr Smith
Thursday 18th	09.00-11.00 09.30 12.45-13.05 15.30-16.15 15.30-16.15 15.30-16.30 15.30-17.30 17.30-19.45	YR3/4 Guitar YR6 Managing Worries Workshop YR2 Choir YR5/6 Football Club KS2 Choir YR1-4 Freestyle Dodgeball Sports Leaders Moulton School Taekwon-do	Library Small Hall Mrs Walter's Room School Field Main Hall School Playground Moulton School Main Hall	Mr Smith MHST Mrs Walter Mrs Reynolds Mrs Marsh, Varrier, Devereux Freestyle Mrs Devereux Mr Bonfield
Friday 19th	09.00-10.20 12.15-12.45 15.30-16.30	Violin Beginners Recorder Club YR3-6 Freestyle Dodgeball	Library Miss Duckworth's Room School Playground	Mr Ebrahim Miss Duckworth Freestyle
Sunday 21st	10.30-11.30	Brixworth Community Church - Informal Service	Main Hall	Rev Andy Lloyd-Williams



Happy Easter

We hope you all have a wonderful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 15th April.

PTA Cookie Day

The PTA will be holding a cookie day on Monday 22nd April. Cookies can be purchased at the cost of 50p. All monies raised will go towards the 'Mile A Day Track' project.

Year 6 Residential Meeting for Parents

There will be an information evening held on **Wednesday 24th April at 6pm** about the Year 6 residential to Whitemoor Lakes. This will be an opportunity to learn what will happen during the week of the residential and to ask any questions you may have. The meeting will be held in the main hall. There will also be forms to collect that will require completion before the trip.



Assembly Theme Week Commencing 15th April 2024 is
Courage
To step out of your comfort zone

Celebration Assembly

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



Academically

Evelyn C
 Harry H
 Evie W

Physically

Alfie L

Socially

Bonnie H
 Quin M

Spiritually

Grace S
 Eliza G
 Lucas G

Dodgeball Competition

On Thursday 21st March several of our children were selected to take part in a Dodgeball competition at Moulton School and Science College. There were six teams in total, two of those teams were ours, one of which came in first place and the other in fourth. All of the children participated excellently and as always, proudly represented our school.



Beaumanor Hall



Year 4 Residential

The year 4 children attended their first residential trip this week. As part of the children's learning during the Spring term they attended Beaumanor Hall in Leicestershire for a 2 night stay. You may have seen them eagerly awaiting to load the coach to set off on Monday morning and they returned on Wednesday afternoon. The trip provides the children with the valuable experience of staying away from home and the opportunity to build on friendships with the use of various teambuilding exercises.



Dear Diary,
You will not believe the week I've had! First it was a normal school day but then we were getting on the bus to residential. It took an hour to get to Beaumanor Hall. We finally got there and got into our first activity which was the teambuilding activity. Then we did the bridge building and learnt how to do a square lashing knot and a lashing knot. Next, we did hide and seek in the cellar and only the seekers could have their torches on to find the hiders. Then we did the Iron Age facts and I found out that the Celts lived in a round house.

Finally, we did the night line, the survival and the warrior training. At the night line we had a go on obstacles. First we did it with a partner and then we did it alone. With the survival training you had to make a ramp, then you had to make it waterproof and windproof. In the warrior training you had to pretend you were a Celtic warrior.

I really loved the trip and I cannot wait for the 6 residential. - **Amelie J**



Hide and seek in the cellars was amazing because it was fun hiding from people in the dark! - **Noah S**



Dear Diary

This week, I went to Beaumanor Hall and it was amazing. It was so much fun. We had the best chicken burger and chips for dinner! After that we played hide and seek in the cellars. They were huge and it was so dark! There was lots of tight hiding spaces but the seekers always found us! We even played a round against the teachers and they found us in record time! This is now my favourite game!

- **Thomas G**



Dear Diary,

I woke up with lots of chatty and giggling girls around me. We all went to the bathrooms to brush our teeth and hair. Then, we all lined up to go for breakfast. I really enjoyed some hash browns, beans and a sausage. After breakfast we all walked back to the cabins to get ready for the day. When we got back we changed into our waterproofs. Miss Worster had won rock, paper, scissors against Miss Duckworth so we chose to do bridge building first. We followed the instructor up to the grass by the river. He showed us how to tie some knots and then let us build our bridge. Mostly we all came up with great designs but as we crossed the river... some of us fell in! Then it was lunch time! We had sandwiches, raisins, crisps, Malt loaf, a Freddo and apple juice. It was tasty! Then it was time for team games on the field and then we went into the sports hall to play a game called the human cranes - It was really tricky to solve how to get the cup but it was also really funny when we kept all falling over! By this point we were all so tired. We went back to the cabins to have a shower and get changed and then we were ready for dinner - so it was back to the main building. We had a great dinner of mash, carrots, broccoli and a giant sausage...and for pudding it was donuts! Now it was time for the night activity! This time we had the 'night line'. This was an obstacle course in the woods - in the dark and we had a blind fold on. We had to really trust our partners to help us. By the end of this, we were all so muddy and tired so we all played hand clap games whilst we waited for the others to finish. Then we headed back to the cabins for a wash, hot chocolate and some biscuits. After, we brushed our teeth and stumbled into bed. We all fell asleep really quickly because we were very, very, VERY tired! - **Rei D**



I really enjoyed the night line because it was really hard but really funny! You get really muddy and you cannot see what is in front of you because you are blind folded! The food was also really amazing!

- **Polly S**



We arrived at school on Monday morning and waited in the hall. I felt so excited and a little bit nervous. When everyone had arrived, we got on the double decker bus. We sat on the top and it took about an hour to get there. Finally, we arrived and put our luggage in the cabins. After that, we began our first activity which was warrior training. This involved spear throwing and we learnt that Celtic warriors would hang the enemies' heads on their belt when they had killed them so we had a battle. We had a shield and a sword and charged across the field whilst trying to keep our battle formation. It was tricky to stay together and if we didn't the teachers told us to fall on the floor. Then it was time to stop for lunch. After we had lunch, we went into the forest where we saw a Celtic roundhouse. We crushed some wheat to make flour, made some clay beads and did some weaving in the roundhouse. We also used blue face paint to make traditional Celtic war paint. We covered Mr Curt's face in the paint he looked really funny! Later that evening after dinner, we went to the forest to complete the nightline. We were blindfolded and had to follow a rope around an obstacle course. It was really hard because we couldn't see where we were going. I walked headfirst into the rope web and fell which made me laugh. One of the best parts of the day was when we got back to our cabin. We all sat together, drank hot chocolate, ate biscuits and shared our favourite moments of the day. I really enjoyed sleeping in a big bedroom with all the girls. Residential was amazing and a great adventure. - **Delilah C**



Dear Diary,

Today is beyond compare! I woke up to chaos as everyone tried to fit their sleeping bags back into their bags! It was not long though before we were nice and full after our breakfast which could only mean one thing - it was time for survival skills in the forest! At 12.34 I was covered in mud and exhausted. My stomach was growling and shrunk to the size of an atom! As soon as my lunch was served, I gobbled it up in seconds and then headed off to the gift shop. 5 minutes later, I came out cradling a new slinky, a bouncy ball, a pen and a pencil. Then it was time to get our suitcases and head to the double decker. It was an hour back to school so we all played a game together. At 3.04 we arrived back at school. We unloaded all of the luggage and rushed to find our parents. I was exhausted but it was worth it! - **Beauden H**



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EASTER HOLIDAYS

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Pre-School Play 10:00-11:00 0-4yrs 5 APR 12 APR FRIDAY	Construction Club 10:00-13:00 0-12yrs 6 APR 13 APR SATURDAY	
<div> <p>Scan or search eventbrite.co.uk</p> </div> <div> APR 12 FRIDAY Bubble Workshop with Just Karen 14:00-15:00 3-12yrs donated by the Friends of Brixworth Library </div>		

BRIXWORTH CENTRE PRE-SCHOOL

SPRING CRAFT AND MESSY PLAY

Wednesday 10th April

10-11.30am

£3 per child

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Ticketsource £3 per child

Easter trail around the village,
Friday 29th March-14th April.

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www.ticketsource.co.uk/brixworth-centre-preschool

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 games which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalonline.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S

AGE RESTRICTION
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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Five Nights at Freddy's is a series of indie point-and-click horror games whose word-of-mouth success and widespread spin-off content on YouTube have helped each of the nine instalments so far to sell almost five million copies on Steam (the PC gaming platform) alone. Set in various deserted locations at night, with creepy animatronic characters suddenly coming to life, the games are rated PEGI 12 for disturbing/violent content, mild profanity and horror themes.

FRIGHTENING THEMES

Five Nights at Freddy's (FNaF for short) doesn't feature bloodshed like many horror games – but it does build tension and use jump scares, which may be too intense for young players. The sinister animatronic characters and the sensation of being trapped and defenceless could be particularly unsettling, as could the inclusion of disturbing elements such as murder or possession by evil spirits.

STRESSFUL SITUATIONS

Due to FNaF's suspenseful atmosphere, it can be extremely stressful for players. Constantly checking that one's surroundings are safe is a crucial part of the gameplay and could create residual stress or even obsessive-compulsive behaviours. Several media reports have suggested that some younger children have experienced severe nightmares or sleep anxiety after playing games from the series.

IN-GAME SPENDING

FNaF doesn't foreground in-game purchasing as strongly as many other well-known games, but some titles in the series do offer additional content that promises to enhance the experience. Five Nights at Freddy's: Help Wanted, for instance, is complemented by a Halloween-themed expansion pack called 'Curse of Dreadbear' (costing £8.99), which unlocks new levels and mini-games.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

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As a result of FNaF's popularity, a sizeable YouTube community has developed around the game. While the majority of this material is still child friendly, there are a number of channels which are geared more towards mature audiences: they contain adult and disturbing themes, for example, and (in some cases) age-inappropriate language.

PLAYING IN ISOLATION

Many parents will be relieved to learn that Five Nights at Freddy's is a single-player game which doesn't include any online chat functionality. Conversely, however, this could also make playing FNaF quite an isolating experience – especially if your child is spending a lot of time investigating the game's spooky, shadowy environments alone in their room, for example.

Advice for Parents & Carers

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Five Nights at Freddy's doesn't have conventional parental controls. However, if you're concerned about the potential impacts of the game's themes and content, you can simply choose not to let your child play it. If they use an Android or iOS device for gaming, you can adjust Apple and Google's built-in parental controls to restrict your child's access to certain content.

TRY IT YOURSELF

Every child is different, of course, so it could be worth playing Five Nights at Freddy's yourself for a while to gauge how your young gamer might cope with the series' more frightening and disturbing aspects. If they're old enough, you could spend some time playing it together – after all, it usually only takes between two and ten minutes to complete a level.

LIMIT SPENDING

Unlike many popular titles, Five Nights at Freddy's doesn't bombard players with tempting in-game purchase offers. It's worth noting, however, that some instalments in the series do provide the option for players to spend real-world money. With that in mind, it's important to either keep a close eye on your child's expenditure or limit their access to digital payment options.

SPOT THE SIGNS

If you're concerned that your child might be spending too much time on Five Nights at Freddy's, or you're worried that the game's scary themes are taking a toll, watch out for warning signs. Young people may start to prioritise gaming over everyday essentials like schoolwork or sleep; irritability or a lack of concentration could also indicate that their gaming sessions are going on too long.

TALK ABOUT THE RISKS

Before you allow your child to play Five Nights at Freddy's, it's wise to have a conversation about the game so that they're aware of the potential risks. Ensure that your child understands that the series is purposely designed to be tense and unsettling, and that they should stop or take a break if the intensity of the gameplay is making them feel uncomfortable or putting them on edge.

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