



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 21st October 2024

Day	Time	Event	Venue	Taken By
Monday 21st	9.30-12.10pm 3.30-4.30pm	 PTA Cookie Day in exchange for 50p Guitar YR1-4 Freestyle Soccer	 Small Hall School Field	Mr Smith Freestyle
Tuesday 22nd	08.30am-2.30pm 12.15-12.45pm 12.15-1.15pm 3.30-4.15pm 6.15-8pm	 Harvest Assembly Donations to be taken to your child's classroom Notivate Recording Day Home Learning Club Hotshots Basketball YR3/4 Athletics Taekwon-do	The Stables, Wavendon Miss Worster's Class Small Hall School Field Main Hall	Mrs Walter Miss Worster/Miss de Rossi Hotshots Mrs Devereux Mr Bonfield
Wednesday 23rd	12.15-1.15pm 1.55-2.55pm	Hotshots Basketball Woodwind	Small Hall Small Hall	Hotshots Miss Retford
Thursday 24th	12.15-12.45pm 12.15-1.15pm 12.30-2.40pm 12.45-1.05pm 3.30-4.15pm 5.30-7.45pm	YR3/4 Chatty Café Hotshots Basketball Guitar Year 2 Choir KS2 Choir Taekwon-do	Mrs Varrier's Class Small Hall Meeting Room Mrs Walters's Class Main Hall Main Hall	Mrs Varrier Hotshots Mr Smith Mrs Walter Mrs Marsh/Devereux/Varrier Mr Bonfield
Friday 25th	10.30-11.15am 12.15-1.15pm 12.30-3.00pm 1.30-3.15pm	YR1 Harvest Festival Service Hotshots Basketball Selected YR5 Swimming Violin School Closes for Half Term Reopens Tuesday 5th November	All Saints Church Small Hall The Mounts Small Room	Mr Tyler, YR1 Teachers Hotshots Mrs Pirie / Mrs Roy Mr Ebrahim
Sunday 27th	10.30-11.30am	Brixworth Community Church - Informal Service	Main Hall	Rev Andy Lloyd-Williams



PTA Cookie Day

The PTA are holding a cookie day on **Monday**.

Each child can purchase a cookie at the cost of 50p. Please be aware that without the 50p donation, your child will not be able to purchase a cookie.



Poppies

Pupils are invited to bring in a small contribution in exchange for a poppy.

All proceeds will go to the British Legion.



The Song of the Week this week is..

Hedwig's Theme
(Harry Potter)
By
John Williams



Brigade Clothing Halloween Promotion

Brigade clothing have the following offer available for online orders next week:

Friday 25th October to Thursday 31st October use the code:

SPOOKY10

to receive 10% off all parent online orders.

Assembly Theme Week
Commencing 21st October is **Harvest (Being Thankful)**

Celebration Assembly

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



Socially

Arthur C
Freddie K

Academically

Piper d
Lillia M
Charlotte B
Millie O

Emotionally

Isaac H
Phoebe W

Physically

James S

Apologies to Eden Palma who received a celebratory certificate last week for all of the Bees but we mistakenly put him down as his older brother, Gene!
Sorry, Eden!

House Award

Last week the winning house award was awarded to:

Purple House with 39 Points!

Well done purple house.





Harvest Festival



Harvest Festival Donations

We plan to distribute harvest gifts to Senior Citizens in the village or to any family who may benefit from such a gift. If you would like to make a contribution please can you ensure that your donation is in a form suitable for use by a Senior Citizen. Made up boxes/baskets are most welcome as are individual items that we can then make up into boxes at school.

(Please avoid large, perishable items, and check use by dates of food donated.)

Donations should be taken to your child's classroom by Tuesday 22nd October.

Towards the end of the week, **Year 6 children**, supervised by members of staff, will deliver the donations to the individuals concerned. Using information from yourselves and the Wardens of the Senior Citizens' establishments in the village, we have compiled a list of persons to receive your harvest donations.

Further additions and amendments to the list may be made by contacting the school office. Please note this year we would also welcome details of any families who may benefit from a harvest parcel.

Year 1 Harvest Festival Service

Year 1 children will be going to **All Saints Church** in Brixworth on the morning of **Friday 25th October**. They will be taking part in a special service to celebrate Harvest. The children will be performing songs and reciting poems which they have been learning at school.

Parents and members of the wider community are welcome to attend the service which will begin at **10.30am**.

The classes will need parental support in walking the children to and from the church therefore if you are able to assist with this please inform your child's teacher.



Christmas Cards



All parents that attended the Parents Evenings on Monday and Wednesday would have viewed their child's Christmas card design and noted down your child's unique code to order. If you are planning on ordering items with your child's design and haven't yet, the deadline to order is **Wednesday 23rd October.**

If you were unable to make Parents Evening and would like to view your child's design, please email the PTA on: Brixworthprimarypta@gmail.com and they will be in contact with yourself to have the order sorted.



West
Northamptonshire
Council

**Is your child
currently in
Year 6?**



**Apply for Year 7
at Secondary school**

 **Application Deadline:
31 October 2024**

 www.westnorthants.gov.uk/school-admissions

Light Party

Children's Club

Thursday 31st October

9:30am - 12:30pm

**At Brixworth Primary School,
Froxhill Crescent NN6 9BD**





Brixworth Community Church are running a free morning club of fun, games and craft at the school for primary aged children.

Pick up your registration form at the Olive Branch Coffee Shop in the Library and Community Centre on Spratton Road or from Dynamites Childrens Group.

For further information contact Mark on 07917 573784



 **BRIXWORTH
COMMUNITY CHURCH**
celebrating 100 years

All Saints'
BRIXWORTH

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Brixworth & District Branch



BRIXWORTH
COMMUNITY CHURCH
Following Jesus Together

Brixworth Remembers Sunday 10th November 2024

Leaving at 10:00 a.m. from
outside the Library & Community Centre

Walking to All Saints' Church for an
Outdoor Family Service at 10:30 a.m.

Led by

Rev. David Reith

& Rev. Andy Lloyd-Williams

Laying of Wreaths and 2 minutes Silence
at 11:00 at the Memorial

Please join us in an event for the whole village

Refreshments afterwards at the Brixworth Centre

We will remember them

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HORROR FILMS & AGE RATINGS

The 'on-demand' availability of streaming platforms in many homes creates extra possibilities for young viewers to be exposed to age-inappropriate content. Material which features horror or violence can cause anxiety and nightmares for children, especially since it can be hard for young ones to grasp that what they're watching isn't real.

CLASSIFICATION BREAKDOWN

The British Board of Film Classification has the following age ratings:

U: Suitable for all ages

PG: For children aged 8 and above; this content shouldn't unsettle them

12A: Children under the age of 12 should not watch without an adult; this content potentially features bad language, nudity or sexual references

15: Suitable only for 15-year-olds and above

18: Exclusively for an adult audience, with potentially explicit themes of violence, nudity or sex

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

STREAMING IS EVERYWHERE

Modern mobile devices make it very easy for children to watch streamed films without the need for a TV. The availability of inappropriate content has risen significantly on streaming platforms, almost all of which host 18-rated content. If not restricted by parental controls, this could be viewed by children who aren't quite ready for such adult themes, concepts and imagery.

FACT VS. FICTION

Many children have no trouble separating fact from fiction. However, with modern day technology making pretend violence and horror look ever more realistic, it's becoming harder for youngsters to tell the difference. For instance, consider remakes of older films, where dated special effects (making it easy to discern that something wasn't real) have been replaced by far more convincing monsters and gore.

PEER PRESSURE

Friends encouraging each other to watch the latest film featuring violence or horror can lead to children consuming content that they're not ready for. As 18+ content is available on many streaming platforms, youngsters can watch these together – potentially without their parents' or carers' knowledge.

CHILDREN SCARE DIFFERENTLY

It can be difficult to decide what content is appropriate for children. What's fine for one child could be extremely frightening for another. As many children admit to not sharing or discussing the content they watch with their parents, encouraging an open dialogue around the kind of media that young people consume can help avoid exposing them to any inappropriate content.

PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACTS

Horror prides itself on its ability to startle or induce genuine fear in the viewer – so it's no surprise that this genre isn't usually intended for children. A natural side-effect of this is that 'jump scares' or a creepy, suspenseful atmosphere can have lasting effects on younger minds. The resulting anxiety can impact a child's sleeping patterns or eating habits.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH THE FILM FIRST

If you're concerned that a film might be unsuitable for children (whether it's their first dive into the horror genre or a step up in age classification), then take a look for yourself. There's no better way to judge whether this content is something you'd deem appropriate for a child – and if a parent, for example, has actually seen the film (or at least a portion of it), they can construct a far more credible case if they decide it's inappropriate.

REMEMBER – IT'S NOT REAL

Emphasise to children that the content they're viewing is entirely fictional and has no chance of affecting them in real life. If a child is upset after watching a film, try to understand what exactly has unsettled them: this can help you approach the topic in a healthy and informative manner, to dispel any fears or anxieties they may have.

DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF FILMS

If a child has seen a film that you think may have exposed them to potentially uncomfortable themes and ideas, don't shy away from talking about it, and answer any questions they may have. This is especially important if they watched the film without an adult present. Ask them to summarise the story for you, as this will give you an understanding of what they've learned from watching it.

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Most streaming platforms have the option to put age ranges on children's accounts. This means that films and shows that are inappropriate for children won't be advertised while they're browsing and won't even appear if a child specifically searches for them. This can be changed any time at parents' discretion, but it's wise to protect these settings with a password, so a child can't alter anything on their own.

Meet Our Expert

John Insley is an assistant principal at a secondary school. He has been involved with e-safety in schools for over 10 years, writing policies and supporting various schools in developing their e-safety provision. John has introduced a range of strategies at multiple schools aimed at helping parents to better support their child in the ever-changing digital world.



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