

Stroud Valley Community School Newsletter



KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ON THE INTERNET

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping children safe online here are some top tips:

Check your settings: check your/their smartphone/search engine/games console/internet settings to ensure they cannot access inappropriate and or distressing material. The following websites gives an excellent, easy to use step by step guide to checking and setting parental controls, it takes a few minutes and isn't difficult to do.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

Or go to your internet provider website and search how to use parental settings.

Talk with your child regularly about the apps they like to play on: look through the apps together and discuss what is positive about them and anything that may concern you. Also ask them what they play when they are at a friend's house. Are you aware if the app has a chatroom? This means people you don't know can make contact in the chatroom.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-your-child-staying-safe-online/>

If your child is gaming on line who are they talking to? Bullying and or inappropriate language can happen online making children feel unsafe, but such is the addictive nature of gaming children will often continue to play. The following website gives excellent advice

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/online-gaming/>

Online gaming | Childline

Lots of people play games online. You can play games on: consoles and computers; mobile apps; websites. There are many types of online games. Some are simple games you can play on your own like the games on our website. Others are multiplayer games with 2 or more people who you might not know.

www.childline.org.uk



KEEPING YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE ONLINE ... AN ADULTS GUIDE

The Subrooms in Stroud are running a **FREE** event on **Saturday 23rd November** providing guidance for parents on how to keep your child safe online. Please see the details on the back of this newsletter.

15th November
School and Governor
Contact
(- 01453 764400)
Parentline Plus Helpline
(- 0808 800 2222)
School Nurse Contact
(- 0300 421 8959)
www.stroudvalleyschool.co.uk

Dates for your diary

November	
20th	Aventurine & Emerald parent assembly 2.15pm
December	
6th	Whole school Flu Immunisation
9th	Last week for after school activity clubs
10th	Amethyst & Amber bedtime story
11th	Sunshine & Rainbow Nativity 2pm & 6pm School hall
14th	PTFA Winter Fair school hall
17th	Coffee & Carols 2pm & 6pm school hall
20th	Christmas jumper day
20th	School Christmas Dinner
20th	Last Day of Term 2

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On Saturday 23rd November the Subscription Rooms in Stroud are holding a FREE event to promote keeping children safe online. The event is aimed at parents to help them keep their children safe online and from exploitation. The event is intended to be family friendly and there is only one session during the day which is only for those aged over 16, due to the content. There is the option to 'pop in' at any point during the day or to book sessions to ensure a space for a particular session.

Please see the below links for the timetable and further information:

[Subrooms Timetable](#)

[Subrooms Booking links](#)

[Event Information](#)

WHOLE SCHOOL FLU IMMUNISATION 6TH DECEMBER

Letters and consent forms were sent home this week for the Flu Immunisation.

Please ensure that you return your form to the office—your child will not be immunised unless we have parent/carer consent.

Spare letters and consent forms can be requested from the office.

SCHOOL CLOSURE PROCEDURES

In the event of the school having to close due to adverse weather please visit the website:

<https://closures.gloucestershire.gov.uk/>



PTFA

Message from PTFA

Change of Committee

At the AGM last Friday, a new PTFA Committee was voted in and some great dads have taken the helm.

Chairman - Gethin Jenkins
Vice Chairman- Chris Hammond

Treasurer - Craig Ryan (unchanged - thank you Craig for continuing to support the school in this role)

Secretary - Tessa de la Rosa

We will be introducing ourselves more formally soon and we look forward to continuing the amazing work that Emily, Debbie, Jess and Wendy have put in for the last two years. Thank you so much for all that you have given... these are some big shoes to fill!

Christmas Card Designs

Today, Friday 15th November, is the deadline for bringing in your children's Christmas card designs and orders. If anyone has missed this deadline, please bring them in on Monday 18th, as they will then be sent off for scanning.

Christmas Events

The Childrens' Christmas Fair will be held after school on Friday 13th December. We are asking for donations of books, toys and teddies for this event.

The Winter Craft Fair takes place on Saturday 14th December. Please save the date and come enjoy a fantastic and very sociable afternoon of shopping, activities and treats.

Thank you for your continued support in all that we do to help raise funds for our children's school.