



w/c Monday 8 June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a successful reopening week at Nechells Primary. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, along with some children of Key Workers, have been enjoying lots of fun activities, working in small groups. We have put many measures in place to help ensure that the school is as safe as possible for all children and adults.

If your child is in one of the year groups above, or if you are a key worker and would like a place for your child, please call the school office. It is important for us to know numbers of children well in advance, in order to plan staffing and timetables.

For all those not at school, home learning continues. Please do ensure your child is completing their work every week as the less learning the children do now, the more it will impact upon them when they return

At a time where a lack of tolerance, racism, and inequality across society is at the forefront of our minds, I am so pleased to be part of a school that regards being inclusive as one of our highest principles. Through our curriculum, our behaviours and the ways in which we interact and learn about and from each other, we are constantly reinforcing the need to respect and value each other regardless of our race, ethnicity, beliefs or abilities.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs L Mahony
Headteacher

Reception

If you are interested in a Reception place at Nechells Primary for September, please contact Mrs Baldwin on 07713 349836.

Safeguarding



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We all want to keep our children safe. You've probably already talked to them about things like crossing the road safely. But have you spoken to them about how to stay safe from sexual abuse? We know it's a conversation no parent wants to have, but we believe it can feel just as natural, and be just as easy, as the road safety chat.

The NSPCC has produced a guide for parents to help with this conversation, called PANTS. Please see below for the guidance.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/pants/pants-2018/pants-parents-guide-online.pdf>

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Top tips to help your child be kind and respectful online.

1. **Discuss cyberbullying.** Talk about the difference between cyberbullying and face to face bullying. Encourage your child to always tell a trusted adult if someone is being mean online to them or someone they know. It's equally important to talk to them about how they behave towards other people online and how cyberbullying can make people feel. Cyberbullying is never ok and acting quickly will help to stop the situation from getting any worse. These **social media guides** provide information on how to block or report messages, or people.
2. **Don't retaliate.** Make sure young people know how important it is to not respond or retaliate if someone online starts to say or do unkind things. The best thing to do is to get help and tell a trusted adult straight away.
3. **Discuss when to like a post or comment.** Encourage your child to only 'like' posts or make comments on social media of people they know in real life. Even though your child might think they're being friendly by commenting on things from outside their friendship group, someone they don't know in real life could misinterpret it or send a rude or upsetting reply.
4. **Talk about limiting the number of 'likes' or 'comments'.** If your child has a compulsive or obsessive tendency, the temptation to constantly like or comment on other people's posts and this might make other people feel uncomfortable. (To avoid an unwanted situation online you could set a rule of one like per post or a certain number of likes per day).
5. **Discuss digital footprints.** It's always best to stop and think before posting something online. Talk about how other people can see what they post, and how it could be online forever. It is important to understand the difference between what is meant by 'public' and 'private' online.
6. **Discuss online respect.** Being respectful online means being kind and considerate to others online and stopping to think if something is appropriate before it is sent or shared. Encourage your child to always tell a trusted adult if they think they may have upset someone online.
7. **Be supportive** – Make sure your child knows that you are there to help and coming to ask for help is always the best thing to do. It's important that young people know the people they can go to for help.

Useful contact numbers

You may find the following numbers useful:

School Office – 0121 464 2102 (Mon-Tues & Thurs-Fri) or 07713 349836 / 07712 232950 (Wednesdays)

Childline - 0800 1111

Samaritans - 116 123

Aston and Nechells Foodbank - 07384 213621 or 0121 359 0801

Birmingham Central Foodbank - 0121 236 2997



Additional support can be found on our school website.

Virtual Learner Stars of the Week

These pupils have been chosen by their teachers for their excellent work this week.

	Google Classroom	Maths	English	Wider curriculum
Reception	Fatimah	Safiyah		
Year 1	Momina	Eisa	Armaan	Hamza
Year 2	Maria	Suleman	Ammarah	Raisha
Year 3	Wahaj	Raheem	Amaan	Ella-Grace
Year 4	Kaleem	Maylee	Meykell	Aleena
Year 5	Redwone	Mercy	Ayaa	Hibba
Year 6	Sana	Saba	Pari	Ayan