

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 20th March 2026

Focus for this half
term - Perseverance

A Note from the Headteacher

Congratulations to our Values Champions this week: Louis, Millie, Oscar, Sophie, Elijah, Ruby, Isabelle, Theia & Olivia!

Reception Class

WELCOME
TO OUR BLOG

Last week, Reception enjoyed their very first school trip to Washbrooks Farm. We had a fantastic day! The children were very excited to travel by coach! We then spent the morning meeting a variety of different animals, from guinea pigs to shire horses, and learning all about them.

'My favourite part was stroking the horses'. Amelia

'The cleanest animals were the pigs and they roll in mud to protect them because they don't have suncream'. Bea

'Straw goes on the floor and they eat hay'. Wilf and Teddy

'When we stroke the guinea pigs, we must only use two fingers to be gentle'. Matilda

'The ducks need to make their feathers wet to keep them waterproof'. Zac

'A boy donkey was called a Jack, like me'. Jack

'Shire horses used to pull the trailers in the olden days, but now they use tractors'. Dougie



We then went on a very exciting tractor ride, where the children spotted animals in the fields and had a tour of the farm.

'My favourite part was going on the tractor ride'. Thomas
'I liked seeing the animals in the field and going on the tractor, it was very bumpy'. Bella

After lunch, we went on a walk around the farm and spotted the animals happily grazing in the field.

'We saw donkeys in the field and they were really big'. Louis

'We got to see a peacock and a goose'. Georgie

We then had a great time in the park, full of exploring and play. The children loved the outdoor playground and had a wonderful time, climbing, swinging and building in the sand area.

'I love the park and climbing to the top'. Alice

'I liked going down the slide and going on the seesaw'. Callie



We were incredibly proud of how well the children behaved throughout the day and how well they represented Wisborough Green Primary School. All the children showed real curiosity to find out more and demonstrated excellent listening skills!

A huge thank you to all of our parent helpers for their support in creating such a memorable experience for the children. We are sure this will be a trip the children will remember for a very long time!

Weekly Safeguarding Spotlight!

This week our safeguarding spotlight focuses on how to manage what children watch on TV and the use of parental controls.

Thanks to the internet, there are now many ways for your children to watch TV, both the old-fashioned way on a big screen and via the internet with on-demand programming. Restricting and controlling what your kids can watch is harder than ever, but with our help you can make TV safer for your kids and limit the amount that they can watch.

How to manage what your children WATCH ON TV

TRADITIONAL TV

Traditional TV covers programmes broadcast directly to your TV without having to use the internet. This is the standard way that most of us watch television programmes.

BROADCAST TV

Free-to-air broadcast television is delivered via an aerial or satellite to your TV directly or through a PVR that also handles recordings. Most modern TVs and PVRs sold in the last few years will have parental controls, which restrict the content available, requiring a PIN for unsuitable programmes. The exact settings vary by manufacturer, so check your TV or PVR's manual for full details. Parental locks work by checking the rating of a programme as it's broadcast. If a show is unrated or has an incorrect rating, some content may not be blocked.

SKY TV

The version of Sky that you have defines the options available to you. If you have a Sky+ HD box, you'll need to press the Services button and select Parental Control & PIN. From here, you can turn on the Family Setting, which gives you the option to remove Adult Channels and content, and requires a PIN to be entered to buy anything or for pre-watershed playback. More granular control allows you to block specific channels, either completely or only after 9pm, requiring a PIN to watch. You can also block programmes based on ratings, although this feature only works for programmes with correct ratings, so some shows may slip through. Sky Q owners have the more powerful Kids Safe Mode, which locks the system to show only kid-safe material. This includes locking the list of viewable channels and filtering recordings to only those suitable for children. Kids Safe Mode can be enabled either on the main box or on the Sky Q Mini boxes that you might have elsewhere in your home.

INTERNET TV

There are plenty of ways to watch TV online, whether that's via the likes of iPlayer or with streaming video services, such as Netflix and Amazon Prime Instant video. Here, we'll show you how to control each.

AMAZON PRIME VIDEO

Amazon Prime Video has Parental Controls available in the Settings section of the Prime Video website. The settings let you set the age range of content that can be watched without entering a PIN: U, PG, 12, 15 and 18. Settings apply to all devices (bar the Xbox 360, Wii U and Fire TV, which have their own settings), but you can opt-out devices of your choosing in the settings. For example, you may not want to have any restrictions on your iPad, which only you use. PINs can also be used to block purchases.

NETFLIX

Netflix lets you create profiles for everyone in your house. On the Netflix home screen, if you select Manage Profiles, you can change each one to show different content, defined by age group. Children should be encouraged to use their profiles only, particularly as there's no way to PIN protect adult profiles. However, you can PIN protect content globally, so if a child does use your profile, they're blocked from watching inappropriate content. Go to Netflix, select Account from the drop-down menu by your name and select Parental Controls. You'll be prompted to enter a PIN, but then can select which content is PIN protected by age range: Toddlers, Older Children, Teens and Adults. You can also PIN protect specific programmes by typing their name in, which could be handy if you feel a programme is unsuitable or a child has been watching it too much.

ON-DEMAND PLAYERS

If your children are watching content from on-demand services, such as BBC iPlayer or All 4, you can turn on parental controls for each via the main websites. Controls work across all devices signed into your account. Controls vary by platform. With BBC iPlayer, the parental lock requires a PIN for anything marked as requiring Guidance by the BBC. ITV Hub parental controls let you PIN protect for content with a G-rating (a guidance rating). For All 4, you can choose to protect programmes rated 16+ or 18+. If you use My5, you can set up a PIN to protect against anyone watching G-rated content. For UKTV Play, you can add a PIN to restrict content selecting one of two levels: all content that's rated 15+ or all content that's rated 18+.

HOW CAN PARENTS MANAGE THEIR CHILDREN'S TV TIME?

Particularly with on-demand content, it can be hard to restrict how much viewing time a child has. However, you can restrict internet time with parental control software, restricting how much time a child can spend online, whether they're using the internet or watching TV shows. Parental control software will generally only work on laptops, computer, tablets and phones. However, if you have parental control software that runs on the router, you can manage other devices, such as a child's smart TV and games console, and restrict time usage on these, too.

**National Online Safety**
#WakeUpWednesday

Meet our expert

This guide has been written by David Ludlow. David has been a technology journalist for more than 20 years, covering everything from internet security to the latest computing trends and the smart home. A father of two (a nine-year-old and a six-year-old), he's had to control and manage how his children access online services and use apps.



You may also be interested in our smart home devices guide!

Outdoor Learning

Now that the weather is finally improving, we are really enjoying being outside. We are looking forward to using our lovely field again soon as it dries out - so we are keeping our fingers crossed for a dry Easter holiday!

Please look out for a letter next week regarding our plans for Outdoor Learning next term.



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SPRING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
30 MARCH - 1 APRIL 2026

Rap & Lyric writing
BOGNOR REGIS - The Phoenix Centre, PO21 5JD

Explore the fundamentals of rap and songwriting. From rhythm and flow to crafting compelling stories through lyrics. This hands-on workshop encourages creativity, self-expression, and collaboration - whether you're new to rap or have experience, you'll gain practical tips to enhance your songwriting skills.

Music Production & DJ
CRAWLEY - The Mill Primary Academy, RH11 0EL

Get a hands-on introduction to music creation and mixing. Learn beat-making, sound design, track arrangement with professional tools, DJ-ing, beatmatching, and seamless transitions. This workshop offers practical skills and insights into both the creative and technical aspects of music production.

Play In A Band
WORTHING - Northbrook College, BN12 6NU

Come and experience Northbrook College's state of the art music studios to form a rock or pop band. Collaborate on covers and originals, and develop song arrangement, stage confidence, and live performance techniques.

The Enchanted Cinema
CRAWLEY, HORSHAM & WORTHING

Join a pop-up orchestra creating live soundtracks & using hand-crafted visuals inspired by magical on-screen worlds from beloved animated film classics. For ages 8-16, all abilities welcome and all equipment provided.

Join for one or more days. Lunch will be provided for free
Free for those in receipt of free school meals
£39 per day for those paying
westsussexmusic.co.uk/holiday-activities



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TEA, COFFEE AND
CAKES



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Football
Some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils enjoyed taking part in the football event at The Weald this week. The children all worked really well together and played with positive energy, coming 4th place overall - well done!



Congratulations to the winner of this week's PTA Cake Raffle!

Key Dates

March

- Wednesday 25th March - Y3/Y4/Choir Spring Concert
- Thursday 26th - Friday 27th - Y5 Lodge Hill Residential
- Friday 27th - End of Term 2.00pm Finish (except Y5 for residential)
- Easter Holidays - Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

April

- Monday 13th - Spring Term 2 Begins
- Friday 17th - Family Reading 9.00 - 9.20am
- Tuesday 21st - Class Photos



HOUSE POINTS

GREEN - 278
YELLOW - 300
RED - 228
BLUE - 233

For future diary dates, please visit our [website's school calendar](#). Thank you.