

RLI News

4th February 2022

Toys in school

The children do not need to bring any toys into school with them unless you have a letter sent out by the class teachers requesting this. We are seeing increasing amounts of children bringing in cuddly toys and fiddle toys which are then causing arguments and upset during the day.

Home Reading

Reading is one of the most important skills a person can learn. Reading skills are used every day by everyone.

The more children read, the more fluent and confident they become. It is also important for children to be read to and to discuss stories. We read lots in school and we listen to the children read on their own and in groups throughout the week. It is vitally important that all children continue these experiences at home. I am asking that every child reads at home for at least 10 minutes every day. That time quickly builds up and all helps to improve reading skills for life. Don't forget to record on the reading cards when you have read at home so that staff know when to change books.

School Lunches

It is so nice to see all of the children back eating their lunch in the dining hall.

Please remember that all of the children are entitled to a school dinner. There are two hot options and a cold option every day. If you don't have a menu please ask the reception and they will be happy to provide you with one.

Sports Club

The Year 2 Multi skills sports club provided by Ellis Moore, who is a sports coach, still has places available. The cost is £2 per session and it runs on Tuesday after school until 4.15. If you would like your child to attend please contact the school office.

Attendance

Last week, Gosling Class managed to win both SAM and OTIS for their fantastic attendance and time keeping!

This week SAM is going to Goose Class... and so is OTIS!!

Remember:

SAM (School Attendance Matters)
OTIS (On Time In School)



Safer Internet Day





On **Tuesday 8th February** we will be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating **Safer Internet Day 2022**. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers and more, to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote at Race Leys Infant School, and celebrating Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. Some of the activities we'll be participating in on the day include:

Who are my safe people?

What can I share?

Age restrictions- why do we have them?

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating the day by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this, you may be interested in downloading the free Safer Internet DayEducation Pack for Parents and Carers which is available at: saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents.

There are top tips, quizzes and films which you can use at home with your child.

Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online:

- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the <u>UK Safer Internet</u> <u>Centre</u>(saferinternet.org.uk/parents)
- Advice for parents and carers from <u>Childnet</u> (<u>childnet.com/parents-and-carers</u>)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from Common Sense Media (commonsense.org)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from <u>Internet Matters</u> (internetmatters.org./controls)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or sexual abuse from <u>CEOP</u> (ceop.police.uk)

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we're committed to teaching our children about.

If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher.