



MESSAGE FROM MRS LAWRENCE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week in school this week with not one but two year group celebrations! Thank you and well done to Year 3 and Year 5 who showcased their learning beautifully. Thank you to parents who were able to attend and to the staff members for facilitating. Any feedback from families would be greatly appreciated - the format of these celebrations changed following feedback in parent forum and we would like to know your view on the changes made. We thank you in advance.

Parent Forum is on Tuesday 17th March - be sure to share any queries, questions, concerns or thanks with your parent representative.

In this week's safeguarding bulletin we will be covering the use of AI Chatbots including the risks and positives associated with them.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) chatbots – such as ChatGPT, Google Gemini, Alexa, and others are becoming more common in everyday life. Children may encounter them at school, in games or even through websites and apps. While these tools can be useful and fun, it's important for parents to understand how they work, the potential risks and how to keep children safe. AI chatbots are computer programmes that can hold a conversation with a person. They can: answer questions (e.g. helping with homework or explaining a tricky topic), spark creativity (e.g. helping write a poem, story or quiz), support hobbies and interests (e.g. generating recipe ideas, sports facts or coding tips) and provide entertainment (e.g. riddles, jokes or role-play style games). Used wisely, chatbots can be a helpful tool for learning and fun.

Although conversations may start out innocent, there are risks to be aware of: Unpredictable responses: chatbots sometimes give inaccurate, confusing or inappropriate information. Role-play risks: a child may ask the chatbot to pretend to be a friend, character or even a parent figure. This can blur the line between fantasy and reality. Sensitive topics: children may explore personal worries with a chatbot and the answers they receive might not always be supportive, accurate or safe. Over-reliance: a child might start turning to a chatbot for advice instead of trusted adults. See the following page for key takeaways regarding AI Chatbots.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Lawrence

Headteacher and Safeguarding Lead

Stars of the Week

- ORC - Sophia R-M
- ORB - Quinn D
- 1CE - Colbon P
- 1T - Mia M
- 2E - Ivy R
- 2M - Gabriel S
- 3S - Savannah U
- 3C - Enes B
- 4C - Riley C
- 4LT - Harlow-Blu D-S
- 5P - Ritchie J
- 5RKP - Millie A
- 6F - Ella Rose S
- 6C - Evelyn B
- Aspire - James J-R

Congratulations!

Weekly Whole School Attendance 94.2%

Weekly Class Attendance

Excellent attendance 'gold' 98-100%

3S - 98%

Good attendance 'green' 96-97.9%

5RKP - 96.7%

4LT - 96.8%

Well Done!

House Points

*Rowling
Holmes
Hawking
Attenborough*

AI Key Message

AI chatbots can be a useful tool, but they are not a replacement for safe, supportive human relationships. With guidance, supervision and open conversations, parents can help children explore this technology in a safe and balanced way.

DIARY DATES

Keep a note!

16th March - Launch of Penny Wars (please see next page)

17th March - Parent Forum

18th March - Y1 Class Celebrations

19th March - Reception Farm Buzz Day

20th March - Comic Relief Day (Please see information sent)

24th March - Y6 Class Celebrations

25th March - Easter Egg Hunt - Friends Event

25th March - Easter Bonnet Competition (Information to follow from the Friends)

25th March - Wear Green to be Seen

20th April - Year 2 Trip Westminster Abbey

5 WAYS TO KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE WHEN USING AI CHATBOTS

- 1 TALK TOGETHER**
Ask your child if they've used a chatbot and what for. Show interest in their curiosity.
- 2 SET AGE-APPROPRIATE LIMITS**
Many chatbots are designed for older users. For younger children, supervised use is best.
- 3 USE CHILD-FRIENDLY VERSIONS**
Some companies are developing age-appropriate AI tools with stricter safety filters.
- 4 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING**
Remind children that not everything the chatbot says is true. Check facts together.
- 5 PRIORITISE PEOPLE OVER TECHNOLOGY**
Reassure your child that if they are worried, upset or have questions, they should always talk to a trusted adult first.

Weekly Lunch Menus

We will continue sending out weekly menus each Friday afternoon as we feel this is working well for families and keeps this fresh in your inbox!



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BIGGIN HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

PENNY WARS!

RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW BOOKS, AUTISM ACCEPTANCE & COMIC RELIEF!

OVER £1000 RAISED LAST TIME!

WIN PRIZES!

1ST: PIZZA PARTY LUNCH!



2ND: EXTENDED LUNCH BREAK!



3RD: CHOOSE YOUR OWN LESSON!



FILL YOUR CLASS BUCKET WITH COPPER COINS!

SABOTAGE OTHER CLASSES WITH SILVER COINS!

THE CLASS WITH THE MOST MONEY AFTER SILVER COINS ARE DEDUCTED WINS!

**PENNY WARS RUNS FROM:
MONDAY 16TH MARCH - WEDNESDAY 25TH MARCH**

GOOD LUCK!