

**APPRECIATION** ❤️ **BELONGING** ❤️ **COMPASSION**

*There is no exercise better for the heart than bending down and lifting up others*

## BEE RECOGNISED

In our Bee Book and in Celebration Worship this week the following children were recognised:

**Bumblebees:** **Phoebe H** for bee-ing such a kind Bumblebee. She looks out for others and cares for them when they are hurt or feeling sad. Thank you.

**Ezra M** for bee-ing such a kind friend. He includes everyone in his games and is so caring towards others. Thank you Ezra.

**Honey Bees:** **Aubrey R and Lailly R** for bee-ing such kind friends. Aubrey, you are always kind and thoughtful, getting things ready for your group and helping others. Lailly, you are always looking out for others, trying to help if they need it and speaking to an adult if your friend needs extra help. We are very proud of you both.

**Carpenter Bees:** **Ally M** for always bee-ing ready to learn. She is always listening and contributing fantastic ideas in all subjects with a great big smile on her face which makes everyone in the class feel happy too!

**Nectar Class:** **Frankie U** for bee-ing such a kind friend to younger children this week. He has actively sought to see that children are not alone, especially during lunchtimes.

**Elsie S** for bee-ing a fantastic role model in Nectar Class. She always looks out for ways she can make people smile and laugh when they need it while also listening to others in a caring way. Thank you Elsie.

**Honeycomb Class:** **Elijah M** for bee-ing a supportive and thoughtful friend. He reliably makes good choices and is able to speak out if he feels something important needs saying.

**Ziva P** for making Honeycomb Class and Year 4 a better place to be. She looks out for others and is supportive of anyone in need

**Year 5:** **Cecily W and Joseph S** for always working well with peers, speaking kindly and bee-ing encouraging to those around them

**Beekeeper Class:** **Leonardo F and Finley N** for going out of their way to help others when we made 3D volcano models this week. They noticed when help was needed and were kind and considerate to the needs of others.

**Olivia W, Skyla S and Mary B** for always, always bee-ing kind. They often think of others before themselves and are always ready to help with any jobs that need doing in class and around the school

## FROGS CHRISTMAS FAIR

**Friday 24th November**



We are very excited to welcome Father Christmas at our sell-out Grotto and Christmas Fair next week! If you haven't done so already, please go to **Classlist** to buy your children's Fair tokens which they will need for the stalls and to take part in lots of festive activities on the day.

[Link to Ropley Christmas Fair Tickets](#)

Children will be chaperoned by school staff around the Fair between 1:30pm-3pm in half hourly sessions. They will need their tokens to take part in any of the activities. **If your child has dietary or special requirements, please email [ropleyfrogs@gmail.com](mailto:ropleyfrogs@gmail.com) or make a note when booking on Classlist.** We intend this to be a fully inclusive festive event.

## TOKEN SALES

A ticket for the Fair costs **£5 per school child**. This ticket will provide each child with a drink, Christmas cookie and 20 tokens to use throughout the Fair.

There is no fixed charge for adult entry, however adults can purchase tokens to use on the stalls and games around the Fair. Top up can also be bought on Classlist. Donations welcome. **Cash and Card can be used for all hot and cold refreshments on the day.**

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## MENU CHANGE

**FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER**

On Friday, all year groups will eat lunch in their classroom as the hall is being used for the FROGS Big Christmas Fair Event. The menu will be served in classes and will be:

**Fish Fingers and Chips or Tomato Pasta**

**Shortbread Biscuit**

Bread, Crudites (Chopped cucumber, pepper & carrot) and Fruit will also be offered. **THERE WILL BE NO JACKET POTATO OPTION ON THIS DAY.**

Packed lunches will also eat in classrooms.





## CHRISTMAS FAIR AND EVENT TIMETABLE

### Timings

<b>1:30pm -3:00pm</b>	Children will visit the indoor fair in small groups accompanied by their teachers, FROGS helpers and the Yr 6 Elves.
<b>2:00pm- 5pm</b>	Our wonderful Grotto with Father Christmas! Slots A-F are on a ticketed basis only and this is now <b>SOLD OUT</b>
<b>3:00pm</b>	Christmas Fair opens to parents to come and browse the stalls, play games and enjoy mulled wine. Sausages and burgers will be available on the BBQ plus a selection of other treats and snacks.
<b>5:00pm- 5:15pm</b>	Time to wave goodbye to Father Christmas with some carol singing and magical tea light procession

### Activities and entertainment



* <b>Grotto and FatherChristmas ticket only – now sold out)</b>	* <b>Book stall</b>	* <b>Reindeer Hoopla</b>
* <b>Knock the Elf off the shelf</b>	* <b>Reindeer food making</b>	* <b>Drink and cookie for all children</b>
* <b>Gifts and toy stall</b>	* <b>Teddy tombola</b>	* <b>Christmas Eve plates and Christmas cards &amp; decorations</b>
* <b>Sweet tombola</b>	* <b>Bottle tombola for adults</b>	* <b>Craft table</b>
* <b>Mulled wine and hot food</b>	* <b>Carols</b>	* <b>Christmas wish tea lights (battery powered!)</b>

### More contributions needed please

If you would like to lend a hand on a stall for half an hour, make a game or provide some craft items to sell, please do get in touch. We are also still welcoming contributions for the stalls:

- \* Books of any type
- \* Gifts and good quality toys
- \* Full sealed bottles of any type – alcohol, shampoo, anything!
- \* Teddies

Please leave in the lobby at school or contact your class rep/FROGS if you have lots and we can arrange a suitable drop off location.

***All proceeds raised will directly benefit our children at school – as always, we are enormously grateful for your continued enthusiasm and positive support,  
THANK YOU!***





# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SMART TVs

Smart TVs connect to the internet without the need for a set-top box or streaming device, letting users access a range of features through the TV set itself: from on-demand content apps like BBC iPlayer to streaming services such as Netflix, as well as connecting to smartphones and other wireless devices. Most new televisions are internet enabled – so whether you're thinking of upgrading your home viewing system or buying an additional TV for your child's room, it's now even more important to consider the online safety aspects.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

From Netflix to Disney+ to Prime Video, there is a plethora of streaming services available. While these services offer content catering for younger viewers, they also provide material for more mature audiences. If you don't have parental controls set up on your accounts, your child could find themselves being exposed to shows and movies with adult themes, strong language and violence.

### INCREASED SCREEN TIME

The array of content available through smart TVs could lead to your child spending excessive amounts of time in front of the screen. Not only can prolonged screen time distract from important activities such as schoolwork or exercise, but experts have also warned that endless hours in front of the box can lead to health problems including obesity, poor sleeping patterns and depression.

### REMOTE-CONTROL RETAIL

Like many online devices, smart TVs facilitate digital purchases: buying a new app or the latest season of a favourite show, for example. If your child has access to a bank card and isn't restricted by spending controls on the system, they could run up a sizeable bill through a smart TV fairly quickly – especially if they're not quite old enough to fully appreciate the value of money.

### UNCONVINCING SECURITY

As Internet of Things (IoT) devices, smart TVs can be uniquely vulnerable to attack. Experts warn that internet-enabled TVs tend not to support high-level security software, so you won't always be able to download strong antivirus programmes like you would on a phone or computer. Being targeted by hackers could be deeply upsetting for your child, as well as putting their personal data at risk.

### A SILENT SPY?

Some smart TVs already collect data on users' viewing habits and then display targeted advertising based on that personal information – while there have also been reports of internet-enabled TVs (and the apps installed on them) being used to 'eavesdrop' on owners. In models with a built-in microphone (for voice activation), third parties could potentially listen in on someone's home life.

### CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

Many smart TVs can be used for web browsing, social media and live streaming – all of which could allow unknown users to contact your child (or vice versa). If your child engages with these functions of the TV, a stranger could potentially discover their contact information and potentially then use it to obtain even more sensitive personal details, such as your home address.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### MAKE IT A FAMILY THING

Family TV time is a great way to model the responsible enjoyment of technology – showing your child how to use the smart TV safely for when they're old enough to watch it independently. You could also take this opportunity to establish some healthy TV boundaries, such as time limits on their daily viewing or how to make sure they're only watching content that's appropriate for their age.

### SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

It's likely that your smart TV has built-in parental controls, which not only let you filter out age-inappropriate shows, movies and games but can also restrict in-app purchasing, so your child can't accidentally spend money through the device. When you've enabled these safeguards, have an open conversation with your child about the reasons, helping them to understand the potential risks.

### CREATE CHILD PROFILES

Much like with smartphones and tablets, apps can be downloaded onto smart TVs: from free content platforms such as BBC iPlayer to paid-for services like Prime Video. Most of these apps allow you to create a separate account for your child which has different settings to your own – suggesting more child-friendly material and reducing the possibility of them viewing explicit content.

### CONSIDER THE LOCATION

If you're concerned about the online safety hazards that a smart TV might pose to your child, you could consider where in your home you put the device. The safest option would be to place the smart TV in a shared family space – so that an adult is usually nearby and able to supervise while your child's watching it – rather than in the relative privacy of a bedroom.

### Meet Our Expert

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## **PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING**

Every year, the Government allocates funding to schools to help address the national trend that disadvantaged students do not attain as highly as non-disadvantaged students. This valuable extra money is allocated to schools to provide additional or enhanced provision, so that no child is left behind in their education as a result of financial circumstances. This can include subsidising after school clubs and trips as well as providing additional learning support or resources in class, for example.

### **Eligibility criteria**

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Parents and carers can check eligibility simply and easily by visiting:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants/>

and clicking on 'New Application'. Once you have input your details it will return an instant result and notify the school office electronically of your eligibility. If you would prefer us to check on your behalf, please email Mrs Burr with YOUR name, YOUR date of birth and YOUR national insurance number. We would like to reassure you that all applications made are confidential and no child is identified as a Pupil Premium child in any way in their day to day school life. Equally being entitled to free school meals does not mean your child has to eat a meal every day!

**Even if your child is in Year R, 1 or 2 and already entitled to Universal Free School Meals, if you think you might be entitled to this benefit please complete the form. This valuable extra funding ensures that we can offer many different types of support throughout the years your child is at our school and will ensure they continue to receive free school meals as they move into KS2.**

**Just one day of qualifying entitlement = 6 years of funding!  
Current funding = £1455 per child per academic year**