



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

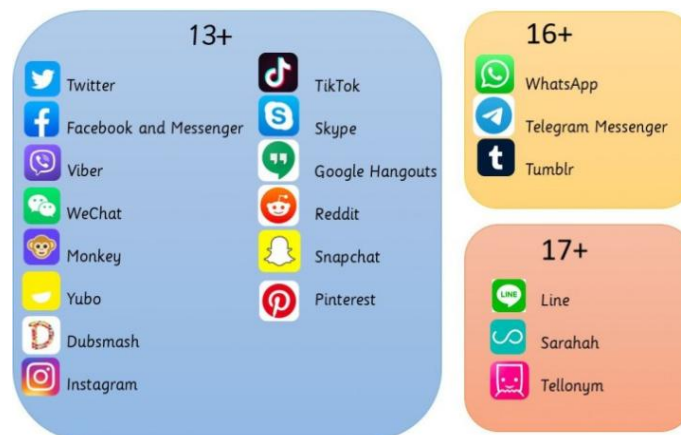
Not only do we find ourselves at the end of another very busy half term, but we are now halfway through the school year! As you would expect, lots has been happening.

## Safer Internet Day



Safer Internet Day took place in school on Tuesday of this week. The theme was, '**AI Aware: Safe, Smart and in Control**'. In school, pupils joined in live lessons and quizzes throughout the day.

Safer Internet Day is also a good opportunity to remind parents of the [age restrictions](#) for a child to subscribe to any Social Media platform. This includes WhatsApp which has an age restriction of 16:



**Steel the Gladiator - Zactiv** <https://zactiv.co.uk/>



On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, we were lucky to have Steel from the TV show Gladiators, visit the school for the day. He spoke to all of the children throughout the school in two main sessions in both halls and then visited each class. We learnt all about looking after ourselves and how he pursued his dream of becoming a Gladiator! Thank you to the PTA for organising this great day.

<https://zactiv.co.uk/>



### **myHappyMind – Bronze Accreditation**



We were very proud to receive the bronze accreditation from myHappyMind last week. The award recognises schools that have implemented a high-quality, whole-school approach to pupil mental health and well-being, focusing on building resilience, self-esteem, and self-regulation. This NHS-backed program embeds positive psychology and neuroscience into the school culture, fostering a secure, nurturing environment. Here is the QR code for the parent app if you have not already got it. There are some fantastic resources on there for you at home.



The school code is  
**142228**

## What have each year been up to?

### EYFS

Nursery and reception had a visit from our local Police Officers. They talked about Stranger Danger and keeping safe. We tried on some real Police Uniform.



### Year 1



It has been a busy half term for year 1! We have participated in a live lesson for National Storytelling week, watched a live assembly for Safer Internet Day and also met Steel!

Amongst a visit from the Cats Protection to learn about how to care for our pets, making peace doves in RE; reflecting on what the Gospels teach people about showing love and forgiveness, we also made our own wind streamers this term! We have been learning about what the weather is like in the UK and how we can measure different types of weather. We got creative and made a wind streamer to check out how breezy it was outside.

### Year 2



Year 2 have been learning about primary and secondary colours. They have been mixing colours and creating textures using different tools. For their final piece of art work they created a collage, experimenting with materials and exploring the use of colours, texture and composition in art.

Year 3



Years 3 and 4 visited Bexley Woods as part of their Geography lessons. They conducted field work to find out how our local woodland is used, by asking members of the public why they were using the woods.

Years 4



Year 4 have been learning about tints and shades in art. Adding black to a colour makes a shade, whereas adding white to a colour makes a tint. We created paintings with a 3D effect.

Year 5



Sixty lucky year 5 children, who have shown a keen interest in science or selected Science as their favourite lesson, had the opportunity to attend a science workshop to complement some of their learning from earlier on in the year. Sixth form students from Townley Grammar School came in to share their knowledge with our pupils. The focus was The Heart and The Circulation System.

During this session, children had the opportunity to be active, reflect on what was happening inside of their body while doing so. The session then had a gory but exciting end to it - the children got to watch a lamb's heart being dissected!

## Year 6



Year 6 have been applying their learning of electricity in science to create Steady Hand games. The children created circuits using the components they have been exploring this half term and used the wire components as an open/closed switch to make the game function.

### PTA News



The PTA would like to thank you for your support this half term. All the children enjoyed 'Break the rules' day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January. This fun event raised £730.00 which was amazing!

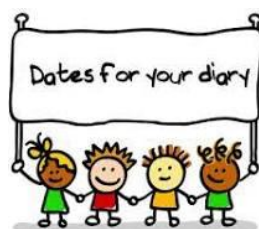
Congratulations to the winner of the **Wonder Bar** wrapper competition, Sebastian in 3/4RW! Wonder Bars will be on sale shortly with his fantastic design, and congratulations also to the runner up, Avery in 2EN. Thank you to all the entries, they were so creative and colourful.

Coming up, we will have **summer discos on the 8<sup>th</sup> (KS1) and 15<sup>th</sup> May (KS2)** and then our summer festival **Bextival** will be on the **4<sup>th</sup> July** so please put the dates in your diaries!



### Road Safety Meeting – Public meeting

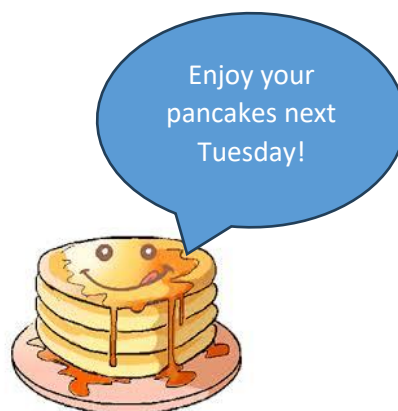
Following last year's road safety survey, Cllr Kurtis Christoforides and Cllr Cameron Smith are organising a public meeting to discuss how we can tackle speeding and dangerous driving in and around Bexley Village. The school will kindly host the event on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm**. Our local Safer Neighbourhood Team have also been invited to attend also.



Date	Event
Monday 24 February	Return to school
Friday 27 February	St David's Day – wear yellow
Friday 7 March	Dress up day for World Book Day PTA Wonderlicious bars event (see above)
Friday 13 March	PTA Mother's Day sale
Tuesday 17 March	St Patrick's Day – wear green (Not Year 2 as they are on a trip)
Friday 20 March	Red Nose Day – wear red
Monday 23 March	Year 4 Grandparents event @ 2.00pm
Tuesday 24 March	Year 4 Grandparents event @ 9.30am
Wednesday 25 March	Spring Music concert @ 6.00pm
Thursday 26 March	KS2 Easter Church services @ St Mary's 9.20 – 9.50 Year 3 10.00am – 10.30 Year 4 10.45am – 11.15am Year 5 11.30 – 12.00pm Year 6
Friday 27 March	Easter Hat Parades 1.30pm Finish
Dates for next term	
Thursday 23 April	Parent's Evening
Wednesday 29 April	Parent's Evening

We wish you all a happy and relaxing half term and look forward to welcoming the children back on **Monday 23 February.**

Mrs J Ivil  
Head Teacher



*Shrove Tuesday*