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Don't forget that Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May is an Inset day and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May is May Bank Holiday, the school will be closed to all children.

### **Benefit Related Free School Meals (Pupil Premium Grant)**

As you may be aware, all children in FS2, Year 1 & 2 are entitled to receive Universal Free School Meals which is funded by central government.

However, many families do not realise that they may still qualify for benefit related free meals (pupil premium).

If awarded, your child will have the opportunity to enjoy a **free school meal, free educational visits, free Live & Learn after/before school sports clubs, Supermarket vouchers during school holidays and also to access Rotherham Healthy Holidays Clubs**

If your child is due to start school full time in September, now is the perfect time to apply and check if you are eligible. To apply: <https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/xfp/form/532>

### **Classes 5, 6 & 10 – Partake Theatre visit to school**



On Tuesday 7 May, a professional theatre group 'Partake History' will be visiting school to work with your child to deliver their workshop entitled 'The Edwardian Seaside'. This will enable them in their history learning to make comparisons between past and present seaside holidays. We have worked with this excellent theatre group for many year and believe that their workshops offer expert, exciting and interactive coverage of the history curriculum and they most definitely make the learning memorable!

**Please log onto your Arbor Parent Portal account to make your payment of £4.80 on the trip tab, which is also your consent for your child to attend the workshop by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Children who have a free school meal award in place by the benefits agency or have a parent in the armed forces will be exempt from payment **but you will still need to log on to your Arbor Parent Portal account and tick the consent box.**

## E-Safety

With the advance of the technological world, and children spending more time on line, it is important that we are all aware of the content of the games and APPS that they are using. Many popular online games can expose children to inappropriate content, online predators, in-game purchases that quickly add up, and more. As Educators, Parents and Carers, we need to research any online games and APPs before allowing children to be exposed to them and set the appropriate parental controls.

We will continue to send you regular information about these attached to the newsletter.

One extremely useful site is <https://pegi.info/> which provides you with a summary of games and APPS you may be considering buying for your child, or games and APPs your child has asked to access. The site gives reasons to why each game / APP has been given its current rating. An example for the popular games 'Minecraft' and 'Fortnite' are provided below.



### Fortnite Festival

Epic Games Entertainment International GmbH



**Release Dates & Platforms:**

- Fortnite - 09/12/2023

**Advice for consumers**

This game has received a PEGI 12 because it features use of bad language and song lyrics of a sexual nature. Not suitable for persons under 12 years of age.

**Brief outline of the game**

Music and rhythm action game in which players can perform songs along with on-screen avatars. Players perform tracks solo or with a band, mix songs in an impromptu jam session, and complete challenges to earn cosmetics.

**Content specific issues**

This game contains music tracks with lyrics that feature bad language, such as 'ho', and sexual innuendo.

**Other issues**

This game offers players the opportunity to purchase in-game items - in the form of cosmetics, music tracks, and currency - which some parents or carers may want to be aware of. Parents, carers, or other responsible adults should check to see what is being offered before making any purchase on behalf of a child. It should be noted that the game can still be played without the need to purchase such items.



### Minecraft Legends

Xbox Game Studios



**Release Dates & Platforms:**

- PC - 31/10/2022
- Xbox Series X|S - 31/10/2022
- Xbox One - 31/10/2022
- PlayStation 4 - 31/10/2022
- PlayStation 5 - 31/10/2022
- Nintendo Switch - 31/10/2022

**Advice for consumers**

This game has received a PEGI 7 because it features non-realistic violence in a child-friendly setting or context, as well as mild violence that lacks any apparent harm or injury to human-like and fantasy or mythical beings and creatures. Not suitable for persons under 7 years of age.

**Brief outline of the game**

Minecraft Legends is an action-strategy game in which players save the Overworld from an invading army. Players use a magical lute to command other characters, find resources and craft buildings.

**Content specific issues**

Combat is a large part of gameplay. Violence is mainly aimed at non-human characters but also at the human-like protagonist. Reactions are unrealistic. Characters flash red when hit and the protagonist loses hearts.

There are no visible injuries. When certain enemies die, a puff of red particles surrounds them, although these are spores rather than blood. When the player's character is near to defeat, the edges of the screen turn red, and when defeated they fall to the ground and then respawn. The game also features some slapstick violence involving large, angry characters. These characters can be a little threatening, but they mainly occur in a comical context.

**Other issues**

This game offers players the opportunity to purchase Minecoin, a virtual currency which can be spent on cosmetics in the game's marketplace. Parents, carers or other responsible adults should check to see what is being offered before making any purchase on behalf of a child. It should be noted that the game can still be played without the need to purchase such items.

## Vape Pens

We have recently been sent information regarding Vape pens. Currently, there are new vape pens in circulation that look like, and work as, actual pens, but contain a vape cartridge which can be inhaled. These pens can also look like Sharpies or highlighters. Children in Rotherham as young as age 5 or 6 have come into contact with them. An image is provided below for your information.



## Rotherham Family Hubs

Families may be aware of the support previously offered by local Children's Centres. These Centres have been further developed and now exist as 'Family Hubs'. Our nearest Family Hub is at the Stepping Stones Centre in Maltby.

Support is available for children aged 0-19 (and age 25 for children with additional special educational needs and disabilities)

Further information can be found by visit the Family Hub website <https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/family-hubs>

## Attendance

### Leave of Absence Requests including Term Time Holidays

We would like to remind you that absence taken during term time, and in particular, for the purpose of holidays, will not be authorised and if it meets the criteria it could result in a fine being issued by the Local Authority. In all cases, the absence will not be authorised.

If your child's attendance is or has historically been a concern and you are requesting further absences from school for the purpose of a holiday, we are required to inform the Local Authority of your request and the Local Authority may issue a Fixed Penalty Notice.

The Local Authority Code of Conduct for the issue of Fixed Penalty Notices in respect of Poor School Attendance and Unauthorised Holidays / Leave of Absence taken in Term-Time states that a parent will not be issued with more than 1 Fixed Penalty Notice in respect of an individual child in any 2-year period.

This means that if any parent/carer who has already received a Fixed Penalty Notice then takes their child out of school in term time for a holiday, which falls within 2 years of the date of the last day of absence of the previous holiday, a request will be made to the Local Authority and the matter may be referred to the Magistrate's Court. This could result in a prosecution of up to £1000.

Throughout the month of May and **June 24**, Year 2 children will have ongoing assessments and Year 1 children will take their **Year 1 Phonic Screening Check, this is for all Year 1 pupils - and Year 2 screening check re-takes**



**Reminder: Please DO NOT report absence via the Class Dojo.** When your child is absent from school, please call the school office before 8.30am on each day of the absence leaving your details and the reason for your child's absence. Should school not receive an absence notification from the initial text and phone call, a member of staff will visit the home address to ascertain the reason for the absence

### **Term Dates for 2024**

Please ensure that leave in term time for holiday reasons is avoided and all holidays are taken when school is closed (see term dates for 2024 below). Thank you.

School Opens	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 24	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 24
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 24	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 24
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 24	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 24
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 24	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 24

Inset Days: **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024** and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024. School will be closed to all pupils in order for staff training to take place.

### **Dates to note**

10<sup>th</sup> June 2024      Year 1 Phonic Screening Week  
21<sup>st</sup> June 2024      Friday 21st June - school will be closed to **Foundation Stage 1 pupils only** to allow the induction of new FS1 September starters to take place.



### **FS1 Happy Home Learning**

All Unit 1 children: Song of the week: Baa Baa Black Sheep

FS1 children only: In phonics the sounds we have learned so far are 'm' 'a' 's' 'd' 't'. Please find these sounds in your home/school diary and practise saying the pure sounds.

## FS2 Homework

We had a wonderful visit to White Post Farm this week. The children loved learning about the animals at the farm and holding the super cute baby animals. Can you draw a picture of your favourite animal or part of the day. Write a simple sentence about it such as 'we went on a bus.' 'I held a chick.'

## Class 5, Class 6 and Class 10 Homework

### Spellings

Y1- there here June rule rude use tube tune what other words have the 'u-e huge brute' sound?

Y2 class 6- Please check your child can spell the above words and then try...great break steak pretty hour

### Reading

This term your child will be taking their Y1 phonic screen check or Y2 retake phonic screen check. Please look out for some resources that we will share with you on dojo that can support children to practice reading both real and nonsense words. Also our spellings of the week have and will continue to include sounds that children often find difficult to recognise in words, so please work on these words as much as you can with the specified phoneme of the week.

### Maths

#### Y1-

This week we have worked on parts of 9 and parts of 10. Can your child tell you or find all the parts of 9 and 10? If not then use some equipment so they can explore physically splitting 9 or 10 into all the different combinations. When your child can do this you could explore commutativity and the inverse operation.

e.g  $5 + 4 = 9$  so if we know this we also know  $4 + 5 = 9$  (commutativity) Then we also know...

$9 - 4 = 5$  or  $9 - 5 = 4$  (inverse subtractions)

#### Y2 Class 6

This week we have been investigating grouping. We have explored equal and unequal groups. Then we have moved onto choosing a number of groups and then how many to put in each group. We have described what we have done using the stem sentences I have made \_\_\_ groups

There are \_\_\_ in each group I have \_\_\_ groups of \_\_\_

Use some equipment to make practical groups and then describe what you have made using the above stem sentences.

## Class 7 and Class 8 Homework

### Spellings

stronger strongest weaker weakest slower slowest faster fastest

### Maths

Next week in maths we are going to be learning about the relationship between doubling, halving and the two times table and how we can use our knowledge of the number facts in the two times table to solve halving and doubling problems.

Practise your doubles to 10. E.g. Double 0 is equal to 0, double 1 is equal to 2, all the way up to double 10 is equal to 20. If you can do this, challenge yourself to use this knowledge to work out half of the even numbers to 20. E.g. Half of 20 is equal to ten, half of 18 is equal to 9, all the way to half of 2 is equal to 1.



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# May half term!

Just  
£18 per  
day!

Tuesday, Wednesday  
28th, 29th  
May

9am–3pm  
Ages 3+

Lots of fun to be had!  
From sporting activities,  
games and competitions  
to arts and crafts!  
There's something  
for everyone!



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