

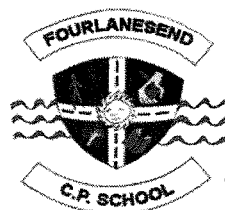
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Message from Head teacher: We have just purchased 100 new non-fiction books for our school library. We could really do with some help stamping and labelling these to the Dewey classification system. Also then placing them on the shelves and binning any old/dated stock. If you are able to help us out at all please contact me or the office. Please read the dates for your diary carefully, we have quite a bit on next week and remember we finish at 2pm next Friday.

Dates For Your Diary

Sat 11th Dec - Singing at Mt Edgcombe Christmas Fair.

Thurs 16th Dec - Christmas Dinner.

Fri 17th Dec - Party day & last day of term, 2pm finish.

Tues 4th Jan - Back to school.

Weds 9th Feb - Reception & Year 6 height & weight measurements.

Mon 21st Feb - Fri 25th Feb - Half term.

Fri 8th Apr - End of term.

Mon 25th Apr - Back to school.

Reception & Year 6 Health Checks

The School Nurse Team will be in school on Wednesday 9th February carrying out height and weight checks for children in reception and year 6. All parents/carers of children in these year groups were sent electronic copies of the information booklets a few weeks ago. It is important that you read the information in the booklets and if you choose to opt out of the process then this will need to be done no later than Wednesday 2nd February. If you didn't receive an email with the link to the booklet, please contact the office.

Christmas Tree Festival - All Saints' Church, Millbrook

Pop in and see the Christmas trees next week. Each class have made decorations to decorate a tree. The church is open:

- Wednesday - Saturday: 10am-4pm.
- Sunday: 12-4pm.

Free entrance, donations welcomed. Christmas raffle and refreshments.

Scomis Online Safety Newsletter

Please see reverse of newsletter for the latest Online Safety Newsletter for parents

BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AT FOURLANESEND

7.45am-8.45am
3:15pm-5:30pm

For more information and to book a place for your child, please contact the office.

Places **MUST** be booked at least 24hrs in advance.

Christmas Party Day - Friday 17th December

Children can come to school next Friday wearing their party clothes. Please wear sensible shoes for the playground and also remember a coat.

Police Patrol

The police have had reports of parents and carers parking on the zig-zags outside the school. Please remember it is illegal for ANYBODY at ANYTIME to do this and the police are monitoring the situation.

School Dinner Menu Next Week

- Mon - No change
- Tues - No change
- Weds - All Day Breakfast with Wedges or Quorn Bolognese Pasta Bake (Jacket Potato option also available).
- Thurs - Christmas Dinner (no jacket potato available).
- Fri - Christmas Party Buffet (no jacket potato available).

Reminder - if your child has not pre-ordered the Christmas Dinner and/or the Christmas Party Buffet then a packed lunch will have to be provided from home on these days.

Hamper Raffle

Thank you for all your support with the raffle. We raised £165 which is going towards a picnic bench costing £430. We will continue fundraising after Christmas.

Class News

Class Lynher - We are learning about graphs and charts in computing and enjoyed writing recipe poems this morning about a topic of our choice. We played cricket and gymnastic games in PE and were pleased with our play performances. By Coa, Lara, Megan & Lauren

Class Tamar - We did a shadow experiment using torches and learnt that the further away the light is the smaller the shadow becomes. We talked about climate change and came up with ideas of how we could help. We enjoyed our play performances and spoke positive affirmations in PSHE. By Poppy & Oscar

Class Cremyll - This morning, we had a phonics dance party which was really fun! We have made friendship coins and also made Acrostic Christmas poems and Christmas cards for our pen pals. We have been finding the total of money and enjoyed a 10 minute paper chain challenge. We also made friendship posters thinking about how we are the same and different to our friends. By Bobby, James, Jock, Max, Alma & Maya

Class Plym - We have written Acrostic poems about things we are grateful for and we talked about what Jigsaw Jack could do if he's being bullied. In Wild Tribe we made felt rocks where each colour was a different strength. We used our confidence and enjoyed performing our nativity. By Rubus, Clara & Hugo

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for supporting the Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. We have so far raised £73.90.

Lost Property

A Smiggle watch was found after yesterday afternoon's performance. It is waiting to be claimed in the office!

Welcome to the December 2021 Scomis Online Safety Newsletter for Parents

Set up Technical devices!

Christmas is just around the corner!

Will you be ready?

If you are buying your child a:

- new mobile phone
- games console
- tablet PC



Consider the following tips:

- Make sure the device is working correctly
- Charge it up
- Check the parental controls
- Check the safety settings
- Ensure filtering is applied to your home's Wi-Fi
- Set up the device and try it before you wrap it up!

Review the UK Safer Internet Centre's advice and guidance on:

- Smartphones
- Smart TVs
- Gaming devices
- Tablets and other internet connected devices (including SMART Speakers)

Be a good digital parent!

- Keep passwords safe and do not share them
- Schedule notifications to turn off for certain times of the day
- Talk about things you read online with your children
- Think about what you are sharing online
- Give practical tips for dealing with unwanted content or contact
- Show your child how to take screen shots
- Reassure your child that they can talk to you or another trusted adult to ask for help

Need help?

Visit the following websites for more guidance on:

NSPCC's [Being a good digital role model](#)

Childnet's [Key Topic for Parents](#)

UKSIC's [Advice on online issues](#)

Internet Matters [Helping parents keep their children safe online](#)

Have some fun and test your child's online safety knowledge with the

NSPCC's age related quiz:

- [Under 13's](#)
- [Over 13's](#)

Online safety quiz
13+ question sheet



Remember to talk to your child about Online Safety

Be aware of key issues!

How?

Visit the following websites to find out:

Internet Matters – [Advice by Age](#) includes video, tips on how to start a conversation and much more

Parentzone – [Guides for parents](#) includes social media, parental controls for Netflix, Peer pressure, PEGI Ratings, Disney+ and much more

CommonSense Media – [Age based media reviews](#) for families, including Games, Apps, Films and TV, books

Have you heard of the Metaverse?

What is it?

Metaverse is a term for the combination of virtual reality with other technologies that allows a more in-depth experience of the online world. The **metaverse** allows interaction in a 3D environment using virtual reality headsets or augmented reality glasses, providing the capability to see what it would be like to live in imagined worlds in the same way we live in the real world.

Imagine being able to travel to exotic places, meet celebrities, see favourite groups and much more.

Tech companies exploring the **metaverse** include:

- Facebook
- Microsoft
- Roblox

What should you be aware of?

Many companies hope the metaverse will engage younger audiences.

Consider the potential risks:

- Virtual reality technology is still new, how will it impact on younger audiences?
- Younger audiences could be lured into spending large sums of money
- Increased opportunity for bullying, insecurities

Parentzone's [new guide](#), explores what the **metaverse** might be like, its possibilities, uses and the potential risks.



Have you heard of Discord?



Recommended Age: 13

CommonSense Media's review:

Parents need to know that Discord - Chat for Gamers is a voice and text-chat tool geared toward gamers.

- Users can log in with a username, add friends, join a server, and chat by logging in with a code provided from an email invitation or from a real-life friend.
- Using the Nearby feature when adding friends (and with location features turned on), you can find users nearby.
- Many players are discussing mature games, offensive language can be heard

Read **CommonSense Media's [review](#)**

Need Help in the holidays?

Remember **FREE** advice is just a phone call away from the O₂ and NSPCC helpline: 0808 800 5002

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