



THE BATT C.E. SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th January Issue 2

Values: Our Value for this month is Compassion.

The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. Psalms 145:8

Our website is: www.thebattschool.org.uk

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Dear Parents & carers,

We are now in our third week of partial lockdown. I have spoken at length with the other Headteachers of the Witney Partnership. We are all matching our type of remote learning with the schools we are working in. We are all very different schools, and it is very difficult to compare the learning with each school. It is a very difficult time for all of us and it is natural for all of us to feel we are not doing enough or achieving as much as others. Please feel happy to email the school with any good ideas for us look at.

I would like to thank you for your understanding during this time.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-s-working-well-in-remote-education/whats-working-well-in-remote-education>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CALENDAR

15 Jan	Newsletter out
22 Jan	Newsletter out
25 Jan	SEND reviews week
12 Feb	Finish school for Half Term

Our Vision and Values

The staff and Governors have been looking at the Vision for the school and trying to capture a best fit phrase for the school around our core values of Friendship, Respect and Perseverance with the overarching value of Love.

Could children and parents design a poster to encompass our core values. We will have the best few made into professional posters to place around our school.

Please use A4 size sheet and we are happy for you to use colour. Thank you to the children who have already submitted their ideas. We are giving families one more week to send in a poster. We will judge this next Friday.

COVID partial lockdown in schools

This is a very difficult time for parents and families. It is a struggle in school to have the right solution to all the questions. I would like to thank you for staying positive and we have loved the emails that teachers have been receiving with kind comments. We are currently managing the number of children in school with the latest restrictions. Please try your best to keep your child at home if it is at all possible.

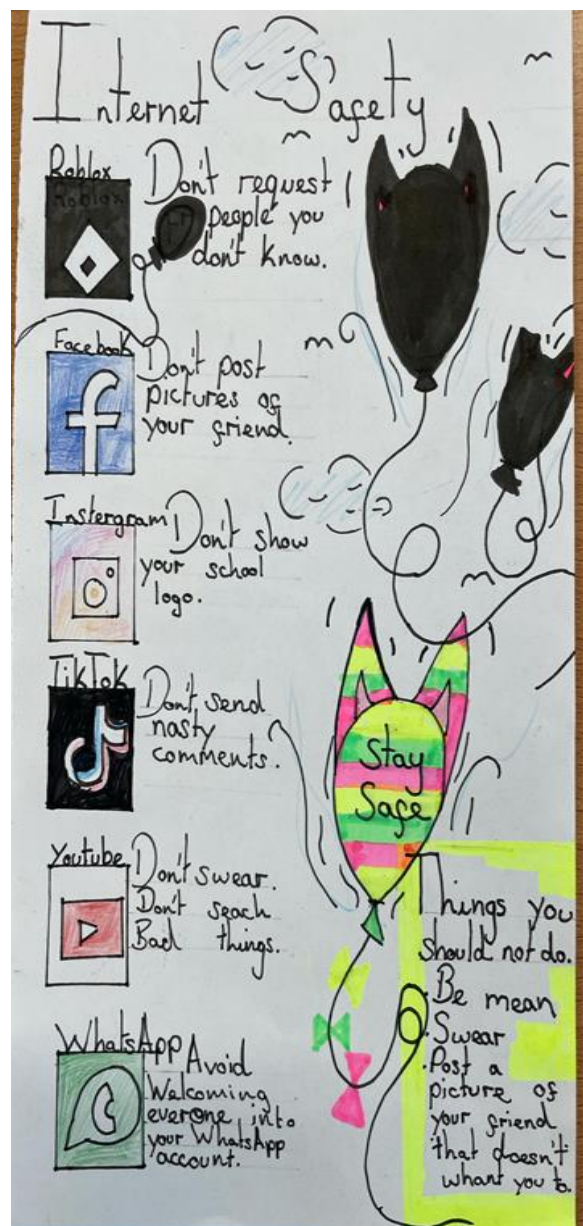
Collective Worship

There will be a collective worship this Friday for all families to watch on the website. We are recording this to enable families to watch at their own time to suit the family week.

Challenge 2

Internet Safety

The children have been designing Internet safety posters. We would love you to make a poster at home and send through to the office or teachers so that they can be placed around the school. Klaudia in Year 6 designed this poster.



Street Tag



Congratulations to all parents, children and staff who are currently taking part in Street Tag. Season One finished on the 28th of December and The Batt School managed to come out in first place in the league. A £50 prize will be on its way to our school from Oxfordshire County Council. Season Two has now started and we have been promoted to the league above where we are now taking on all the best teams in the whole of Oxfordshire. We have got off to a great start, but the competition is much closer this time round.

There are still opportunities to join The Batt team and it is a great way, especially in these challenging times, of being able to get out and improve fitness by either walking, running or cycling whilst collecting virtual tags to gain points for The Batt team. To get started please download Street Tag from your app store and then scan the QR that is on The Batt School Association Facebook page. Please speak to Mr Baker if you have any questions or need further help with this.

Collection Times

Please remember to collect your children at the correct times.

Reception and KS1 will be ready to leave by 2:30pm and KS2 will leave at 2:45pm.



Facebook

I will be recording a message to parents every Friday on the school's Facebook page as a way of improving our communication with parents during this difficult time. If you feel this works, then we can carry this on after Lockdown, when the school returns to some sort of normality.