

Glebe

Newsletter



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Friday 4th October 2024

Macmillan Coffee and Cake afternoon.

What an amazing afternoon! We are delighted to announce we raised £994.12 at our Macmillan Coffee and cake afternoon last Friday. Thank you to everyone who supported us by donating delicious cakes and biscuits and to everyone who turned up to support this event on the day. It was lovely to see so many people and the children enjoying this special fundraising event. Thank you, Mrs Turner & Mrs Cook,

Football Fever!

This week saw the start of the Amber Valley School Sports Partnership calendar of events with the boy's and girl's football tournaments at Charles Hill Playing Fields, Loscoe. On Wednesday the Girls played four matches in their group stage drawing one and winning all the others. They went through to a semi-final which they won comfortably. In the final they were unlucky to lose 1-0. A very 2nd place and a silver wrist band reflected a great night's work. Onto Thursday and the boys were split into two teams with each team competing in a group stage, before going onto the playing a semi-final and final. With 16 teams in the competition, the standard was very high with both Glebe teams showing determination and resilience throughout the competition. One team got through the group with one win (6-0!), one draw (0-0) and one loss (0-2). However, they narrowly lost their semi-final game 0-1 after a great effort. The next team played very well in their three group games before winning their semi-final on penalties! However, unfortunately lost their final on penalties. Drama all round! Both teams should be extremely proud of their efforts, teamwork and attitude. Well done to Quinn, Millie, Hettie, Lily, Jack, Sommer, Alix, Lexi, Lois, Blake, Freddie, Ollie, Harry, Charlie H, Charlie W, Luka, Noah, John, Harrison, Arthur, Charlie M, Edward, Will and Charlie P. Thank you to all the parents for their support. Mr Green and Mrs Watson.

Wear Yellow Day – 10th October

To mark World Mental Health Day, children are invited to wear something yellow (There is no charge). Children not partaking should wear school uniform as usual. Children will be learning about Growth Mindset in their PSHE lesson. Thank you, Miss Torrington.

Foster Families

“At Nexus Fostering based in Nottingham, we're looking for **local people like you** to become foster carers. By providing a loving and stable home environment, you can support the increasing number of children and young people in the local area who cannot live in their family homes. Not all children require long-term care. We also need foster carers for short-term placements, respite care, and to provide temporary homes to support young parents and their babies. Nexus Fostering is consistently rated Outstanding by Ofsted, offers 24/7 support 365 days a year, a competitive allowance plus much more. So, if you have a spare room and are ready to change the lives of children and young people near you, please give us a call on **0115 9815 604** or enquire [here](#).

Visit www.nexusfostering.co.uk for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Megan on megani@nexusfostering.co.uk.”

Flu Immunisations

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to

complete an online consent form. If you would like to decline, please complete a no consent form on the attached link.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/2ef4e71c>

The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on Wednesday 23rd October 2024. The link will close on the 9th October. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since Sept 2024, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 5.

Children's Carers group

Space 4 U [service that work with children and families affected by substance misuse] are joining Children's Carers group on 20th November at Children's Centre, North Wingfield S42 5XA to discuss their support offer to kinship carers.

Space 4 U offer brilliant support to families - specifically to kinship carers this can include systemic family work to promote positive dynamics and also direct work with children to support them to understand their parents' substance misuse [even if historical]. They also offer a kinship support group. C Murfin (Social Care Team)

Week Commencing: 7th October 2024

Monday 7th October	Y5 Boys Football 3.30 – 4.30 Y6 Basketball 3.30 – 4.30
Tuesday 8th October	Year 4 swimming Y5/6 Girls Football 3.30 – 4.30 Y6 Cross Country 3.30 – 4.30 Y4 Hockey 3.30 – 4.30 Y3 Hobby Horse Club 3.30 – 4.30
Wednesday 9th October	Y4 Football Mixed 3.30 – 4.30 Y6- Dance 3.30 – 4.30
Thursday 10th October	World Mental Health Day: Wear Yellow Day Year 5 Partake Theatre in school Parent Teacher Discussions 3.40pm – 6.30pm
Friday 11th October	

Extended Day

We still have places available for Breakfast Club if you need to get to work early, Monday to Friday 7:30–8:45am each morning at a cost of £3.50 per session for Glebe children. You do not need to attend the whole week, just the days you require. Please book places in advance by Thursday the week before through SchoolMoney. Breakfast items such as toast, croissants, cereal, waffles, pancakes, yoghurts and fruit juice all available.

Please do not bring your child to Breakfast Club unless they are booked in as they are not guaranteed a place. Any problems booking them in please contact the office on 01773 811304. Thank you.

After-School Club

After school club run by JPAC, every day, 3:30 to 6pm. JPAC Club contact number: 07971957839 www.jpacschoolclubs.co.uk

Online Safety

We will be sharing a weekly online safety resource from the National College as part of the #WakeUpWednesday initiative. See the school website under Parents tab, Online Safety

Help & Support

Senior Designated Safeguarding Lead contact details

Headteacher: Steve Watson Tel 01773 811304 headteacher@glebe.derbyshire.sch.uk or safeguarding@glebe.derbyshire.sch.uk

- **Children's Carers Support Group**

Useful information regarding the Children's Carers Support Group is posted on the school website under the News and Events tab, Letters Home.

- **Starting Point and Call Derbyshire**

Tel 01629 5330190 24/7, 365 days Derbyshire contact and referral service for concerns that a child is suffering or at risk of significant harm.

- **DCC Child Protection and Safeguarding Team**

Tel 01629 535353 If you require any professional advice or have any questions at all relating to a safeguarding issue.

- **Derbyshire Domestic Abuse Helpline 08000198668**

Free online mental health and wellbeing support, 7 days a week, for parents & carers of children & young people who live in derby & Derbyshire.

- **The Sleep Charity Helpline**

At any given time up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis) have difficulties with their sleep. Yet in a recent survey, almost 60% of adults felt there was a lack of support for sleep issues. Sleep problems can leave people feeling isolated and lonely.

Our free helpline is run by trained sleep advisors, many of whom are specialists in working with SEND. We can talk to young people directly, or parents (we can also talk to adults, including older people, about their sleep issues).

The helpline is open 5 times a week, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings 7-9pm, and Monday, Wednesday mornings 9-11am. The number is 03303 530 541.

You can read more here: <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/>

- **Free School Meals**

Derbyshire County Council website has a link that can provide an instant eligibility check for Free School Meals.

- **Is This Ok?**

Is This Ok? is a free, anonymous, and confidential service, bringing trained professionals together to provide support to young people through a chat service.

Young people don't need to provide their name and we don't need to know their address- which we know is important for them. www.isthisok.org.uk

Derby and Derbyshire Emotional Health and Wellbeing

This site provides a wealth of information for both professionals and families.

Please find the link below to the community updates.

[Derby & Derbyshire - Emotional Health & Wellbeing](http://derbyandderbyshireemotionalhealthandwellbeing.uk)

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INSET DAYS 2024/2025

6th January 2025, 22nd April 2025. One more date to be confirmed.

Diary Dates

14.10.2024 Recycle Week

16.10.2024 Parent Teacher Discussions 3.40pm – 6.20pm

23.10.2024 Flu Immunisation team in school

25.10.2024 Last day of term

04.11.2024 Back to school

05.11.2024 Year 3 Cresswell Craggs Trip

20.11.2024 Individual photographs
20.12.2024 Last day of term
06.01.2025 INSET Day
07.01.2025 Back to school
14.02.2025 Last day of term
24.02.2025 Back to school
20.03.25 – 21.03.25 Lea Green Residential Year 4
04.04.2025 Last day of term
22.04.2025 INSET day
05.05.2025 May Bank Holiday
12.05.2025 SATS week – Year 6 - please ensure your child is in school
24.05.2025 Last day of term
02.06.2025 Back to school
30.06.2025 – 02.07.2025 Mount Cook Residential Year 6
24.07.2025 Last day of term

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about IN-GAME CHAT

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Video games are continuing to grow in popularity – including, of course, among children and young people – and the emergence of gaming communities has been accelerated by the inclusion of chat functionality across many different titles. While in-game chat isn't inherently a bad thing, it can create some concerns about online safety and the people that children might be interacting with.

DIFFERENT TYPES OF CHAT

There are a number of ways that gamers commonly chat with one another online. As the name would suggest, in-game chat happens within the game itself. There's also party chat: a group voice conversation that console users can have with anyone on the same platform. This tends to be more commonly used by players who already know each other. Finally, many gamers – especially on PC – will chat via a third-party app such as Discord.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

Whether it's text- or voice-based, in-game chat is frequently open to all players to use. Many games default to making it an opt-in function, but some don't: meaning a child could start seeing messages within the game from people they're playing with, regardless of whether they know those individuals or not. While most strangers won't necessarily have ill intent, there are some who may behave inappropriately when chatting to a child – intentionally or otherwise.

DANGER OF GROOMING

It's been reported that some young gamers have encountered older players online who pretend to be a lower age to manipulate children, sending gifts in exchange for chatting and sending photos. Just as on any messaging platform, it's good to advise young people to avoid speaking to strangers; emphasise that they shouldn't accept gifts from anyone online that they don't know.

BULLYING AND ABUSE

While some in-game chat can turn toxic because of how a match plays out, others turn that way because of people who engage in trolling – in essence, behaving in an offensive and abusive way simply to cause pain or get a rise out of whoever they're talking to. These 'trolls' often lean on racial slurs, anti-LGBT sentiment and other hateful rhetoric; they normally feel most confident preying on younger, more impressionable gamers.

POTENTIAL FOR PRIVATE CHAT

If a player would like a re-match with a stranger after meeting them in the game, they can send a friend request, or use the party chat together in the future. For the most part, this is harmless – but it might lead to messages being exchanged in private. This could then escalate to the sharing of private information, and potentially attempts to manipulate or scam younger players.

COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE

Certain games are very competitive, and players can sometimes get upset if they feel a teammate is underperforming, an opponent won unfairly, or they're just a bad loser. This can lead to unpleasant messages that stray away from playful 'trash talk' and wander into the territory of bullying. Some players have been known to get incredibly abusive in situations like this, and the impact of this on a young gamer's emotional wellbeing could be severe.

Advice for Parents & Educators

LOCK-DOWN IN-GAME CHAT

In-game chat can often be disabled in the game's settings. This allows children to play without risk of contact from strangers – but it will need to be done in each individual game. Text chat appears in the corner of the screen in many titles, so it's normally easy to take a quick glance and see what's being said. With voice chat, explain to children what behaviour is inappropriate, so they can spot the dangers themselves.

REPORT POTENTIAL OFFENDERS

Most games offer a robust means of reporting other players, so you can flag an account as potentially harmful. This normally leads to the account not being matched with yours in the future and, if that person's conduct breaks any of the game's rules, they may be banned from playing entirely. This is done within the game itself, so each title has a slightly different process, but these tend to be designed for simplicity.

CONSIDER OTHER CHAT OPTIONS

If a child wants to play with people they know, consider using party chat or a third-party service like Discord. This allows everyone involved to chat on a private server and even enjoy each other's company while playing different games. It's also far more secure, as anyone looking to join will need to request and be granted access – normally by whoever is hosting the chat.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

Make sure children understand the differences between being competitive and being abusive. Talk about what constitutes unusual or inappropriate behaviour from strangers online. Be clear that if anything ever concerns or worries them, they should tell a trusted adult as soon as possible. Empower children to identify the risks of in-game chat for themselves and reassure them they won't get in trouble for seeking help if anything goes wrong.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Editor in Chief of GGRcon and has been working in the games media industry for five years. He's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his work has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



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Are you caring for a child that is not your birth child (or being assessed to)? Whether this is by family arrangement, or an order such as Child Arrangements or Special Guardianship?
Then this group is for you!



Children's Carers Support Group

Why do children's carers need support groups?

- Support groups are a good way to meet people in similar situations, to help reduce loneliness and gain peer support
- Some carers for children do not always want people to know what is going on in their family and may feel isolated at the times that they need to talk the most.
- Caring is not easy at times, and it is good to speak to others who understand this
- Opportunities to seek advice; you can gain valuable guidance from one another
- Hearing the experiences of others in practically caring for a child, also their experiences in engaging in assessments and meetings with professionals
- Groups are important for everyone, at every stage of the journey in caring for a child – it is never too early or too late to join!

Details

The group is held monthly at Alice's View

Children's Centre in North Wingfield, S42 5XA from 13:00-15:00.

[flexible start and ending time to allow for nursery/school runs].

2024 dates [further dates to be confirmed]:

- 16th October 2024
- 20th November 2024
- 11th December 2024
- 22nd January 2025
- 19th February 2025
- 19th March 2025
- 16th April 2025
- 21st May 2025
- 18th June 2025

Please feel free to bring children with you e.g. if your child is not in education. The room at Alice's View is a café-style room with provisions for young children.

There is no need to book, just come along! If you have any questions, please contact charlotte.murfin@derbyshire.gov.uk

What can you expect from the group?

- Informal! The aim is for the sessions to be a 'catch up/meet and greet'
- A worker from Children's Services will be present to support with introductions and discussing professional support for carers.
- A WhatsApp group has been set up to allow for carers to remain in touch and get indirect support.
- The group provides opportunity to discuss feelings/fears/hopes [if you wish to, this is your personal choice!]
- Hot drinks are not allowed in the room we are using, however cold refreshments and biscuits will be provided