



BROADACRE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

AT BROADACRE, WE DARE



## CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, we will be celebrating and raising money for the Children in Need campaign. On that day, all pupils and staff are invited to wear non-uniform. We are asking for voluntary donations to the Children in Need campaign to be made via ParentPay.

## USE OF THE CAR PARK

We are very fortunate to have such a large car park with ample spaces, including car-pool spaces, visitor spaces and disabled spaces. Most primary schools do not have this facility. We would again like to kindly ask that all users of the car park do so safely, respectfully and courteously. To support with this, please see the points below:

1. Only use the disabled spaces, if in possession of a blue badge.
2. Adhere strictly to the speed limit of 5mph. This is to keep all users safe.
3. Park considerately, ensuring that other users can access the car park safely.

## ATTENDANCE

As we all know, research shows that regular school attendance is crucial for all pupils to meet their academic potential. With the support from all parents, pupils and staff, attendance at Broadacre has improved at a rate higher than the national improvement. This is a magnificent achievement and will lead to even greater outcomes. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

## THANK YOU

We are grateful for the involvement in school life of parents, carers and volunteers. We are always thrilled to see how many parents engage with our activities and intend to provide more opportunities for parents to have a window into school life.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Attached to this newsletter is the updated calendar of events for the half term. We are delighted with the range of opportunities for pupils to participate in a range of activities and are looking forward to welcoming as many parents as possible to our events. If you have any questions about events, please see your child's teacher.

## BEHAVIOUR

We are generally immensely proud of the behaviour shown by pupils at Broadacre. Visitors to the school often comment on the attitudes, behaviour, manners and kindness of our pupils. All members of staff are instructed to praise and reward our pupils for demonstrating high standards of behaviour and attitude. On some rare occasions, the behaviour of individual pupils falls short of the very high standards we expect at Broadacre. On such occasions, we will refer pupils and parents back to the home-school agreement which sets out the expectations of all members of the school community. If you require a new copy of this, please ask the school office.

## E-SAFETY

In the technological world in which we live, it is important to ensure that our children are using technology safely and responsibly. In school, pupils are taught how to stay safe online and when using digital devices. We are able and willing to support parents with advice and guides on how children are using devices.

We also recommend the following:

- Ensure that all digital use is monitored to ensure that children are accessing age-appropriate material
- Talk to your child about their digital use and how to stay safe
- Limit screen time to ensure that sleep/mood is not affected
- Acknowledge and restrict access to apps with age limits of 13, such as SnapChat, Instagram, Facebook, or 16 such as WhatsApp.

Please see the attached newsletter on e-safety and group chats.



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4 <sup>th</sup> November	
5 <sup>th</sup> November	-Year 5 Class Assemblies Class 13- 9:30 Class 14- 10:30 Class 15- 1:45
6 <sup>th</sup> November	
7 <sup>th</sup> November	-Diwali Assemblies
8 <sup>th</sup> November	-Hull Seahawks Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> November	-Anti-bullying week
12 <sup>th</sup> November	-Year 4 Class Assemblies Class 10- 9:30 Class 11- 10:30 Class 12- 1:45 - Anti-bullying week -Year 2 Badminton Festival
13 <sup>th</sup> November	- Anti-bullying week -Year 3 LabRascals Visit
14 <sup>th</sup> November	- Anti-bullying week
15 <sup>th</sup> November	- Anti-bullying week
18 <sup>th</sup> November	-Enterprise events for parents (9:10 Mrs Wood and ASC Base; 1:30 Year 3)
19 <sup>th</sup> November	-Year 6 Class Assemblies Class 16- 9:30 Class 17- 10:30 Class 18- 1:45 - Enterprise events for parents (9:00 Miss Syrett and Year 2; 1:30 Year 4)
20 <sup>th</sup> November	- Enterprise events for parents (9:00 Miss Pybus; 1:30 Year 5)
21 <sup>st</sup> November	- Enterprise events for parents (9:00 Year 1; 1:30 Year 6)
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	
25 <sup>th</sup> November	
26 <sup>th</sup> November	-Year 4 Badminton Festival
27 <sup>th</sup> November	

28 <sup>th</sup> November	
29 <sup>th</sup> November	
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	-Year 3 Class Assemblies Class 7- 9:30 Class 8- 10:30 Class 9- 1:45 -Christmas Family Quiz -Year 5 Bikeability
4 <sup>th</sup> December	
5 <sup>th</sup> December	-Y3/4 trip to Hull Truck -Strings Concert
6 <sup>th</sup> December	-Christmas Fair
9 <sup>th</sup> December	-Year 5 Bikeability
10 <sup>th</sup> December	
11 <sup>th</sup> December	-FS1 Nativity (10:00/2:00)
12 <sup>th</sup> December	-Hull's Gotta Dance auditions
13 <sup>th</sup> December	-Christmas Jumper day -Y5/6 trip to Hull Truck -FS2 Nativities (9:30/10:30/1:30)
16 <sup>th</sup> December	-Mr Magic Show
17 <sup>th</sup> December	-Year 2 Nativity (9:30/1:30)
18 <sup>th</sup> December	-Year 1 Nativity (9:30/1:30)
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1/2 trip to Hull Truck
20 <sup>th</sup> December	



# YOUR GUIDE TO Group Chats

Group chats are a type of communication involving multiple users that happen on most messaging platforms. While they have been around since the invention of online messaging (think chatrooms!), popular use has grown in the last decade.



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## HOW DO THEY WORK?

Once a user creates a group chat on a messaging platform, they can:

Choose the name of the group & select a group photo

Set up the sharing and privacy settings

Add other users as members of the group



After the group is set up, users can:

Video or voice call all members of the group at the same time

Message into the chat

Send photos/videos/GIFS/voice notes

Tag other group members in specific messages

## Who can be in a group chat?

Anyone can be in a group chat as long as they are a user on that platform. Most platforms have age restrictions (usually 13+) but there are not always robust age verification processes in place.

## Why do young people use them?

- Stay connected to friends, family, or teammates.
- Send important information to multiple people.
- Discuss specific interests or events with others.
- Organise meetings for school, work, extracurriculars, etc.

More than 8 out of 10 parents



are concerned their child will be cyberbullied on a group chat.

## The Risks of Group Chats



**Bullying.** Many young people have reported being left out of group chats, experienced bullying within them or have been made fun of in a chat they weren't included in.



**Image sharing.** Young people may feel pressured to share sexual imagery of themselves. Even if they choose to share an image with just one person, they may lose control if it is shared in a group chat.



**Disappearing messages.** A function of many group chats which allows users to delete messages or automatically make them vanish after a set time (e.g., on Snapchat) which can present opportunities for bullying or coercion when sharing inappropriate images.



**Information leak.** Being in a group chat could unintentionally lead to private information being shared, such as mobile numbers or live locations.



**Stranger interaction.** A young person may not know everyone they are in a group chat with, potentially exposing them to harmful interactions.



**Inappropriate content.** If someone sends in something that is inappropriate, it may expose a young person to content they were not prepared to see.



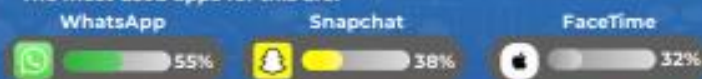
**Excessive screentime.** Some group chats might be receiving messages 24/7, which could draw a young person's attention at inappropriate times!

When using WhatsApp, images can automatically save to the user's camera roll, unless adjusted in the settings. This may lead to young people unintentionally possessing harmful or illegal images by default of someone else sending them into a group chat.

The most important thing you can do for a young person is to ensure they know who their trusted adults are and that they can always talk to them without fear of consequences. Here are some other preventative steps that you can take:

- Ensure they understand what information should be kept private.
- Talk about appropriate behaviour towards others online.
- Discuss the risks of sharing nude or semi-nude images.
- Enable and review privacy settings together - use our Safety Centre to help!
- Teach how to block, mute and report other users or chats.
- Adjust auto-saving settings on WhatsApp.
- Set family rules and screentime limits on devices.

Group messaging functions exist across various social media and gaming platforms. The most common way 3-17-year-olds interact online is through communicating via messaging/video platforms. The most used apps for this are:



## If a young person does seek your help...

- Listen and reassure them that they have done the right thing.
- Include them in any decisions that follow.
- Screenshot evidence of bullying as soon as possible.
- Only ban the use of the platform where necessary for their safety.
- Involve parents or relevant staff if children are at risk.
- Contact organisations who can help.
- Do not respond directly to harmful or hurtful messages.
- If you believe a child is in immediate danger, contact the police without delay.

**SOS**

**NEVER SCREENSHOT AN INDECENT IMAGE OF A CHILD!**

