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## *A message from Miss Towler...*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well this week has seen us experience another first with our very own LIVE broadcast on Tad Radio! Team Neptune were absolute superstars and did such a good job of presenting their broadcasts with the help of Russell Prue. Find out more below as some of the children share what they got from this wonderful experience. I was super proud of how well they all did!



We have also been very busy learning how to keep safe online on Safer Internet Day. Read on to find out more. This week has also been Children's Mental Health Week and in school we have been learning how to connect to support each other. Lots more on this below.

Have a lovely restful half term break and as always thank you for your ongoing support.

Best wishes,  
Caroline Towler  
Headteacher

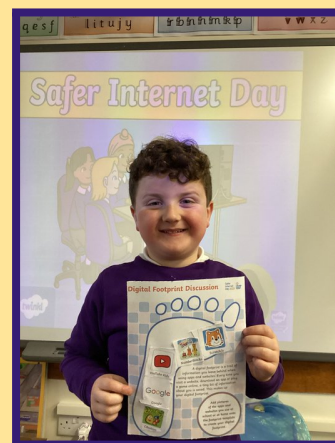
**Safer Internet Day 2023**  
Tuesday  
7 February

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

[saferinternetday.org.uk](https://saferinternetday.org.uk)

## Safer Internet Day

Thank you to those parents and carers who gave up their time to join Mr Ramzan and myself for our Safer Internet Parent Meeting on Tuesday. This provided a good opportunity for families to discuss their worries about their children using apps and the internet and hopefully they found it useful to explore some strategies for how to keep their child safe online. We intend to share the information on ParentHub and there is a flyer below which gives families top tips on how to keep your child safe online.



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On Tuesday the children carried out learning linked to internet safety and included accessing an internet assembly and learning about our digital footprint. Children are always encouraged to talk to a trusted adult about anything that they might be worried about and we ask that families use this language too when talking about it at home. "I know how to stay safe online by being SMART." said one of our pupils.



## Twitter at TPA

Please click on the link below to see if your child is appearing on Twitter right now!

[Tadcaster Primary Academy](#) 🌈 (@TadPrimaryAcad)

Children and young people are bound to spend lots more time on devices since Covid. **DON'T FEEL BAD** – lots will be schoolwork or healthy ways of catching up with friends or having fun. There are many ways to keep them safe, healthy and happy.

## Don't worry about screen time; aim for screen quality

Scrolling through social media isn't the same as making a film or story, or Skyping Grandma. Use the Children's Commissioner's 'Digital Five A Day' to plan or review each day together.



## Check the safety settings are turned on

Whether it's your home internet, mobile devices, consoles, apps or games, there are lots of settings to make them safer. The key ones are - can they chat to strangers, can they video chat or 'go live', are their posts public? **Internet Matters** has hundreds of guides to parental controls.



## Get your children to show you their apps and games

You don't need to know all about the latest app or game, but if your child shows you what they are doing and with whom, you'll probably see if it's appropriate or not. Remember 18 games are not more advanced – they are harmful to children! For parent guides to apps, including recommendations for kidsafe apps and video platforms, search for **Common Sense Media** or **NSPCC's NetAware**. And why not download the **BBC Own It** app?



## Don't try to hide news about scary things in the news

If you don't talk about it, your children might read inappropriate pages, believe scare stories or simply catastrophise in their heads. Why not watch **Newsround** together and talk about how they feel – there is guidance from **Childline** to help you.



## Remind them of key online safety principles

There are too many to list, but remember human behaviour is the same online and offline. Remind your children to be a good friend, to ask for help if they are worried or if someone is mean, not to get undressed on camera and most important of all... if somebody tells them not to tell or ask for help because it's too late or they will get in trouble, **THAT'S A LIE!**

## If you aren't sure, ASK!

Your school may be able to give you advice, but there are plenty of other places to ask for help as a parent or a child, whether it is advice or help to fix something. Lots of sites are listed at [reporting.lgfl.net](https://reporting.lgfl.net), including ones to tell your kids about (they might not want to talk to you in the first instance).





## Children's Mental Health Week

This week the children have been building on their understanding of mental health and the importance of talking about how we feel. This year the focus was 'Let's Connect' and Miss Bell and the team spent some time exploring the different relationships we have, how these connections make us and other people feel and the places where we feel most connected. We've also thought about times when connecting with others can feel tricky (if we're sad or with unfamiliar people) and ways in which we can make this easier.



See some of the feedback from our children in Teams Saturn and Jupiter below:



### Team Saturn

*'I learnt that connecting with other people is good for your mental health. '*  
*'There are invisible strings between you and your friends and family to connect you. '*  
*'Connecting is all about joining with family members and meeting with other people and being active. '*  
*'Connecting is where you're getting together and you can find out things that you didn't know about that person. '*  
*'Everyone is connected, no matter what. '*  
*'If you don't connect you'll feel trapped behind a never-ending wall. '*

*'You can connect with family, friends, cousins and pets! '*

*'There's a ribbon attached to a person you love and who you like to play with.'*

*'I learnt that being connected is very important because if you're not connected it can cause harm to your mental health.'*

*'I enjoyed doing the positivity cards because I enjoyed making you happy.'*

*'I enjoyed doing the poster because I was sharing what I'd done and it chilled me out a bit.'*

### Team Jupiter

*'I know I can connect to my friends and teachers in school.'*

*'I have an invisible string to my mummy.'*

*'I like being connected to my friends at school.'*

*'You can connect to people who like football.'*

*'I liked playing the hoop game with my friends.'*



Find out more by checking this website out:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk>

**Our school attendance this week is R-Y6: 95.37%**

**Our school attendance target is 97%.**

**Neptune: 96.97% Top Team Attendance**

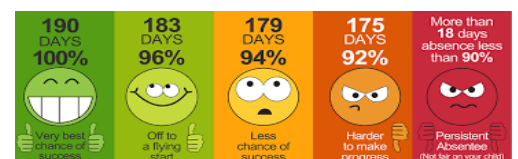
**Nursery: 82.47%**

**Jupiter: 96.07%**

**Saturn: 92.40%**

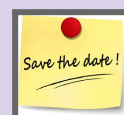
**Venus Reception: 95.56%**

**\*Your child's attendance is compulsory in school and unless they are unwell, we ask that you ensure they are in school, on time, every day. See NHS Direct for guidance on if your child can be in school with specific illnesses as this is the information school uses to advise parents.**



## Dates for your diary for the coming weeks

Please see dates for this term's diary. We will always try to give you as much notice as possible if circumstances mean that dates need amending.



Please remember new clubs will not start up again until **Monday 27th February**.

| Dates                                       | What's happening at TPA?   |
|---|--|
| Monday 13th Feb - Friday 17th Feb           | <b>Half Term - School Closed</b>   |
| Monday 20th February                        | <b>School reopens</b>  |
| Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February | <b>Whole school learning through week celebrating 'Different Families, Same Love'.</b><br>Throughout this week we will be celebrating difference in our families.  |
| Monday 20th February                        | <b>Brazilian Dance workshops</b> - Learning capoeira which is a martial art that combines elements of dance, acrobatics, music and spirituality. Learning all about Brazilian culture. Please ensure your child brings their PE kit on Monday as normal so they can take part. |
| Wednesday 22nd February                     | <b>Team Saturn swimming session</b>  |
| Thursday 23rd February                      | <b>Cultural workshops</b> - Learning all about the Islamic culture through cookery, dance and art  |
| Monday 27th February                        | <b>Y2-Y6 Football Club 3.30pm - 4.30pm</b>   |
| Tuesday 28th February                       | <b>NEW:KS1/2 Recorder Club</b> with Mrs Oldfield 3.30pm - 4.30pm   |
|   | <b>NEW:KS1/2 Dodgeball</b> with Five Star Sports 3.30pm - 4.30pm   |
| Wednesday 1st March                         | <b>Rainbow Disco</b> - Team Venus 3.20pm - 4.00pm (see letter shared)  |
|   | <b>Rainbow Disco</b> - Key Stage One and Two Disco 5.30pm - 7.00pm (see letter shared)   |
| Thursday 2nd March                          | <b>World Book Day</b>  |
|   | <b>NEW:KS1/2 Dance Club</b> with York Dance Space 3.30pm - 4.30pm  |
|   | <b>NEW:Team Venus Reception</b> - Art and Craft Club 3.20pm - 4.25pm (Collect from the Early Years entrance)   |
| Friday 10th March                           | <b>Team Neptune:</b> Trip to Murton Park, York for a World War Two Home Front Day  |
| Monday 13th March                           | <b>TPAC: Mothers Day gifts on sale</b>   |
| Thursday 16th March                         | <b>Comic Relief</b>  |
|   | <b>Team Saturn:</b> Trip to Murton Park, York for a Romans Day   |
| Friday 17th March                           | <b>Training Day</b> - School closed to pupils  |





## Team Neptune the Radio Broadcasters on Tad Radio!

Team Neptune did a fantastic job broadcasting their live radio show on Wednesday and all families can listen to this broadcast on [LearnRadio.Net/Tadcaster](http://LearnRadio.Net/Tadcaster). Take a look at the site and see our show page.

Check out what two of our children told us about their experience:

*Charley – The radio broadcast was amazing, I loved reading the shoutouts from all the people in school and home. I would love to be on the radio when I am a professional footballer!*

*Jessica – I liked hearing all the adverts. I was nervous to begin with but then once I got started I really enjoyed it. It was a great experience.*

### Great radio Show everyone

Well done to you all. I'm sensing a future Tadcaster Primary pod cast :)

From Hughies Dad

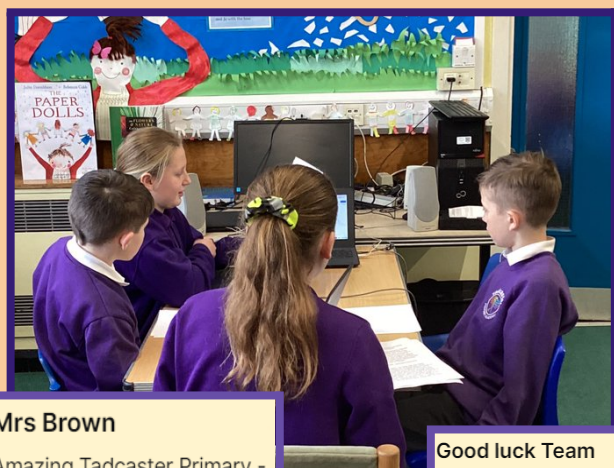
### TEXT MESSAGE

Great programme, guys!  
Really smashing! I vote for Harry Style please.  
🙏 Ciao. Antonella



### TEXT MESSAGE

Enjoying the show from here in Shetland where it's a bit windy - wind speed is about 85km per hour. You're all doing a great job



Great work everyone,  
I'd listen to this everyday.

Elliot H (with 1 T)'s dad.xx

### Mrs Brown

Amazing Tadcaster Primary - brilliant to listen to . Hope you are enjoying it!

Good luck Team Neptune, you'll be fantastic! Love Daisy's Mum

Go for it team Neptune, I know you'll be fantastic! Mrs Oldfield

