



Edgewood Primary School

Building skills and values for life

Friday, 1 October 2021



Congratulations to Morado Class for a weekly attendance of 96.62%

Weekly Class Achievers

On Monday we will be celebrating the achievements of the following children for being the class weekly achievers.

Nursery & Reception		Years 1 & 2		Years 3 & 4		Years 5 & 6	
<u>Rainbow</u>	Lana	<u>Yellow</u>	Louie	<u>Verde</u>	Leo-Jake	<u>Azul</u>	Isabel
<u>Red</u>	Isla	<u>Blue</u>	Reuben	<u>Amarillo</u>	Maggie	<u>Morado</u>	Rosie
<u>Green</u>	Penelope	<u>Orange</u>	Lucy	<u>Rosa</u>	Max	<u>Rojo</u>	Ethan

I am sure you will join me in congratulating the children above on their amazing effort and success this week.

Inset days

As you may have seen from my letter last week, I have taken the decision to move the current inset days to the end of the school year. This means that the following dates will now be school days and not inset days:



- 15th October 2021
- 11th February 2022
- 27th May 2022

These days have now been moved to the 25th, 26th & 27th July 2022 meaning children will finish for the summer holidays on Friday 22nd July 2022.

Special Lunch

Next Thursday's lunch will take the theme of the Wild West. Any child having a school meal on this day will be entered into a draw to win a £25 Amazon voucher. The menu can be found at the end of the newsletter. Special dietary requirements will be catered for.

You have until Sunday 3rd October to get your child's name in the draw to win the £25 Amazon voucher.

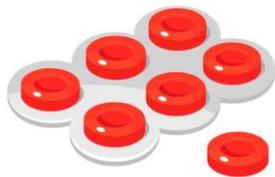


Flu Vaccination



We will once again be having the vaccination team in school to administer this year's Flu Vaccination nasal spray. This will take place on the afternoon of 23rd November 2021. You will need to complete a consent form for each of your children, to give or decline consent. There is a copy of the letter with the appropriate link attached to this newsletter. Please complete the form ASAP so we can prevent this horrible illness spreading this winter.

Non-Prescription Medicines.



If you wish to send your child into school with non prescription medicines such as throat lozenges, please speak with a member of the first aid team or your child's class teacher before doing so. Your child should only bring 1 lozenge/tablet to school. This should be in a sealed envelope with written consent from a parent/carer. These should then be handed to the class teacher. Should your child ask for the medicine the teacher will provide it, log it and a text will be sent to advise you of the time it was taken. If written consent is not provided then your child will not be able to take the medicine.

Lost Property

Due to an increased number of items of uniform being lost, we now have a lost property basket in reception. Should your child lose an item of clothing please advise them to come and check in reception to see if it has been handed in.



Morrisons Grow Vouchers



If you or any members of your family or friends shop at Morrisons, we are collecting the Grow Vouchers. Vouchers are given out when you pay for your shopping. These are then collected at school and we can exchange them for gardening equipment, which ranges from little items like seeds, to larger items such as a greenhouse. The more we collect the more we can gain. Any vouchers should be given to your child's class teacher.

Pokemon Go

You may be aware (because your child keeps pestering you to go out), that Pokemon Go is having a revival and many children (and adults) are joining in catching the pokemons whilst out walking. We have attached to this newsletter a What Parents Need To Know guide about Pokemon Go. Please have a read as there are things on there that you may not know and will help your child be safe when playing the game. The fact sheet has been produced by National Online Safety.



Sports Report

Boys Football Team.

On Monday 27th September, the boys football team played their first game for Edgewood away at Brierley Forest Primary School. On arrival, the pitch was exceptionally small and this made it very difficult for the boys to show off their skills.

The first goal went to Edgewood with Daniel striking a wonderful free-kick in to the top corner. Thanks to some excellent defending we went in to half-time 1-0. Unfortunately, despite having numerous chances for a second goal it evaded us for the remainder of the game with Brierley scoring 2 goals in the second half to win the game.

2-1 was the final. The boys put in an exceptional performance with Jameson being named player of the match for his wonderful debut in goal.

Year 3/4 health and fitness shine

Wednesday saw the turn of our year 3/4 children representing Edgewood in a health and fitness event.

The team completed 10 different challenges throughout the event including football dribble, top taps, throw, clap, catch and many more. All of the children showed great determination throughout and were a credit to the school.

Young Ambassadors

Our school sports captains completed their young ambassador training on Thursday afternoon – led by Mr Hall from the Ashfield School Games Partnership. The children are now going to be running events in school for all our pupils with the first one starting next week. We are all really excited to see the positive impact they will have on other pupils throughout the year.

Next weeks sporting events:

- Monday 4th – Year 5/6 Girls Football – Away at Hucknall FHA
- Tuesday 5th – Year 5/6 Girls Football – Home to Hawthorne
- Whole School Speed Bounce Competition

We wish next week's teams lots of success and look forward to seeing how they got on in next week's newsletter.

Ed Seeley
Headteacher

WILD WEST



DAY **7TH OCTOBER**
2021

MAINS

**Hot Dog served with Lightly Spiced
Potato Wedges & Corn on the Cob**

**Bean Burger served with Lightly Spiced
Potato Wedges & Corn on the Cob**

DESSERT

Buffalo Cake

For every meal ordered for this day, the pupils name will be placed into a draw & randomly selected to win a £25.00 Amazon* gift card. *Amazon is a Trademark.

What Parents Need to Know about

POKÉMON GO



Pokémon GO has been among the world's most popular mobile games since its spectacular release in 2016. It's recently enjoyed a resurgence, thanks partly to people combining entertainment and exercise during lockdowns in Pokémon GO – like the Pokémon TV show, trading card series and other video games – players capture, train and battle with their Pokémon creatures; physically exploring locations while using augmented reality via their phone's screen. The game generally provides a positive experience, but there are still some safety concerns to consider.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

Pokémon GO requires players to visit in-game landmarks like Pokéstops and Gyms. These are often situated at public real-world locations such as churches or post offices. Sometimes, however, they can inadvertently end up being placed in dangerous areas which are unsuitable for children, even when accompanied by an adult: near a construction site or a main road, for example.

STRANGERS & MEETING OFFLINE

Players often cooperate with friends in the game, and there are many online discussion hangouts. As well as sharing tips and info, these groups may arrange to meet offline to catch Pokémon or attend raids (communal events where players flock to the same real-world place for a mass battle). This can put children at risk of being messaged and invited to meet by strangers under the pretence of talking about the game.

DATA COLLECTION

When a player logs into their Pokémon GO account, the game collects personal data about the user and their device. Locations, emails, names, ages and even camera images can all be accessed. What then happens to this information is open to debate. Niantic, the game's developers, maintain that they do not sell user information to third parties – but the fact that they have it at all is a concern, nonetheless.

VISIBLE PROFILES & LOCATION

Pokémon GO players can add each other as 'friends' in the game by sharing their trainer codes. Two trainers who do this can then view each other's information, such as their usernames. If a username gives any clues to the player's real name or personal details, a stranger may then be able to look them up online. The game also lets users upload images to social media, which could publicly disclose a child's exact location.

IN-GAME PURCHASES

The game uses a currency called Pokécoins, which can be bought for real money (in bundles between £0.79 and £35.99) and exchanged for in-game items such as Pokéballs and berries. It's extremely easy for a child to purchase Pokécoins (even accidentally) if there's a payment method connected to their mobile phone – and possibly rack up a sizeable bill without realising it!

Advice for Parents & Carers

PLAY ALONGSIDE YOUR CHILD

Finding and catching Pokémon with young ones could turn into a great mutual hobby. At 25 years old, it's one of the few games franchises that spans two generations. Enjoying the game together will give you plenty of new things to talk about with your child – and if you played Pokémon in your own childhood, you might impress them with your knowledge of the digital critters!

ENCOURAGE AWARENESS

Remind your child of the physical dangers they could face while catching Pokémon and emphasise staying aware of their surroundings. The game will often alert children (through their phone) when they are close to an interesting Pokémon item – usually sending them excitedly rushing off to find it – so they should never play Pokémon GO near busy roads or in places they don't know well.

DISGUISE THE EXERCISE

One of Pokémon GO's benefits is that it encourages young (and not-so-young!) ones to get exercise outdoors. Some parts of the game can be completed from home, but it's best experienced while walking around your local area. Certain tasks (like visiting Pokéstops) can be repeated every day – and an hour outside having fun catching Pokémon will hardly feel like exercise at all!

USE AN OLDER PHONE

If children use an older phone to play Pokémon GO, then they won't be walking around with their own new device, which could get broken or stolen. Parents are also far less likely to have left a credit card linked to the old mobile, it also means that you can limit the amount of information used to set up an account, and what companies who gain access to your data can do with it.

AGREE PLAY BOUNDARIES

Ensure your child knows where they are (and aren't) allowed to go searching for Pokémon, when they have to be home, and how often they can play the game. Talk to other young Pokémon GO fans' parents or carers to see what boundaries they set for their children. Lunchtimes (if allowed by the school) or after school are ideal times for getting some exercise and catching all those Pokémon!

Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world: UPLAD Gaming and GAMINGABLE. Having started gaming at a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work – but, more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.



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SOURCE: <https://www.datasecurity.com/blog/pokemon-go-safe/>
<https://bleedingcool.com/games/pokemon-go-announces-quality-of-life-updates-for-february-2021/>



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It is now time for your child's yearly flu nasal spray!

The free seasonal flu spray is offered to all children and young people in:

Primary School Years: Foundation 2 Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

Even if your child received this last year it is recommended, they have it again this year or they won't be protected. With COVID-19 in circulation it is more important than ever to reduce the number of those becoming ill with flu this winter to help protect them and the NHS.

What do you need to do?

You **must** complete **one** online consent form for **each** of your children.

It is important every child has a completed form which states if you would like them to receive the flu vaccination spray **or not**.

The online consent form can be found through this link or the QR code:

<https://www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Visit date: **Tuesday 23rd November 2021** School code: **NG122587**

SCAN ME



If you decide you want to withdraw consent you must email sais@nottshc.nhs.uk at least 24 hours before your schools session.

The nasal spray may not be suitable for some children, for more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Please note: If any of the following happen **after** completing this form you must contact the School Aged Immunisation Service: if your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, has started steroid tablets for asthma or has had this vaccination anywhere else.

How will the vaccination be given to your child?

We are a team of skilled and experienced nurses and support staff. The flu vaccination is a quick and simple spray up the nose.

- Step one:** The nurse places the tip of a thin plastic tube just inside the nostril.
The child can breathe normally whilst the vaccine is given.
- Step two:** Half of the vaccine is sprayed in one nostril.
- Step three:** The other half of the vaccine is sprayed into the other nostril.



If you have any questions or need support to complete the consent form, please contact our friendly team:

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