

## Safer Internet Day 2017



### ZIP IT

Keep your personal stuff private and think about what you say and do online.



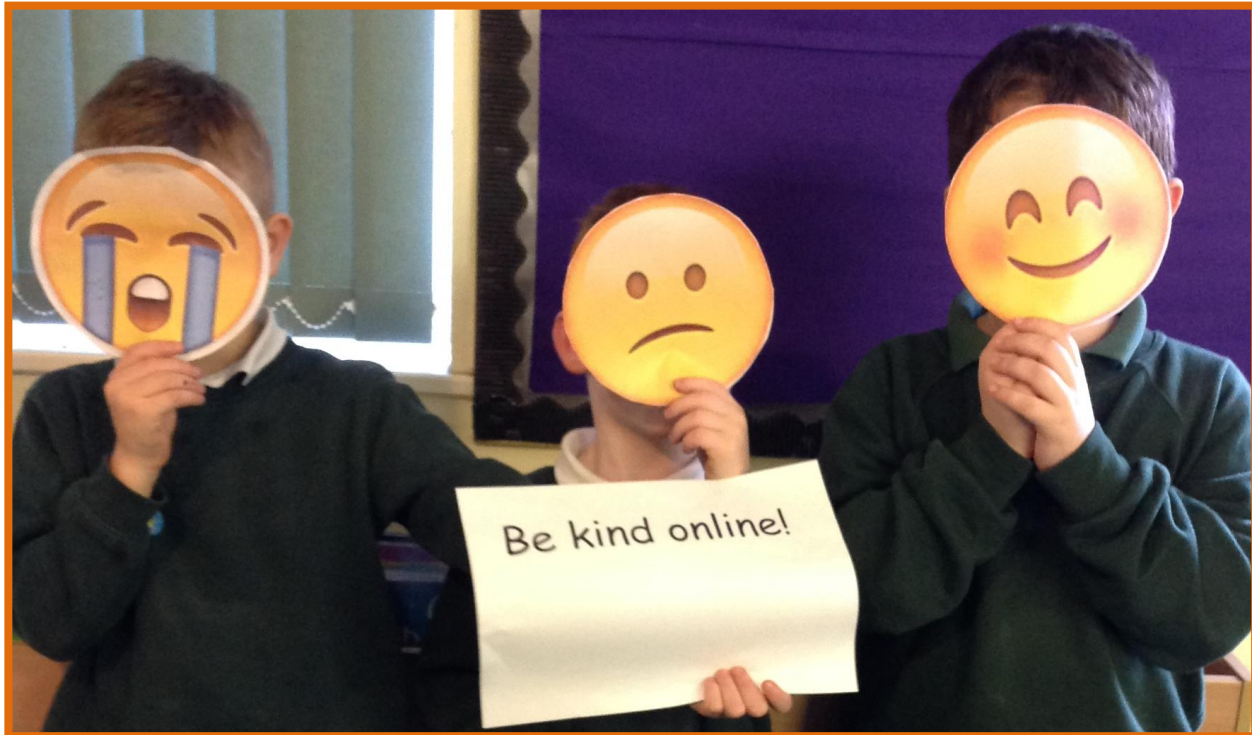
### BLOCK IT

Block people who send nasty messages and don't open unknown links and attachments.



### FLAG IT

Flag up with someone you trust if anything upsets you or if someone asks to meet you offline.



Safer Internet Day

2017 | Tuesday  
7 February

[www.saferinternetday.org](http://www.saferinternetday.org)



Class 2 created images with emoticons to inspire us all to unite and create a better internet. The internet can help you to work with others to make a positive difference.

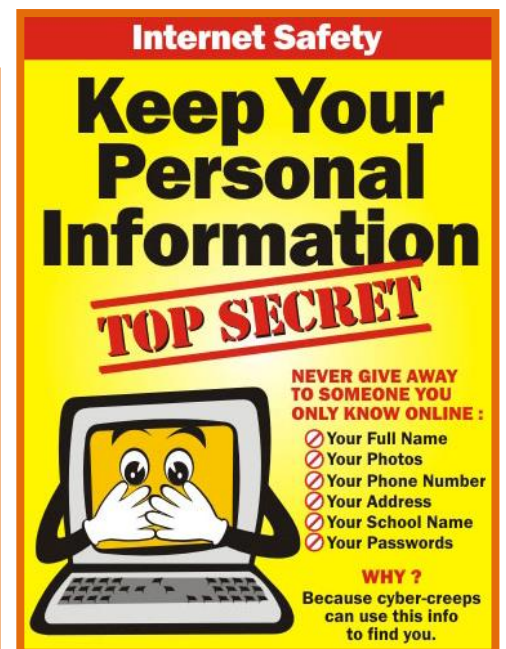
What's your message?



#GIVEASMILE Be the Change: Unite for a better internet

Be Safe on the Internet

Children in Class 1 made collages using pictures of the things that it is safe to share online.







Class 3 used Purple Mash to make their own emojis to represent themselves without giving 'unsafe' personal information away.



Children also viewed photographs that had been put on social media and recorded their first impressions of the person on post it notes just based on these images.



This encouraged discussions about online reputations and how what we post/comment is a way that we represent ourselves to others, for anyone to see.

Safer Internet Day is a fantastic opportunity to have a conversation with children about using the internet safely, responsibly and positively.

Whether you are a parent, grandparent, foster carer, aunt, uncle or older sibling – we can all play a role in empowering children to enjoy their time online!

This year, the UK Safer Internet Centre is particularly focusing on the role of images and videos in young people's lives and has provided some conversation starters to help you talk about these issues with children.

## Get the conversation started on a positive note with these fun topics!

1. Ask your child about what they like most about the internet and why, such as their favourite app, game or website.
2. Ask your child if they like sharing images and videos online and why. You could talk about your favourite family photos.
3. Share your favourite emoji and ask your child what emoji they like best and why. You could discuss whether emojis make it easier to communicate what you mean.

You could get involved with our Safer Internet Day emoji charades. Find out how [www.saferinternet.org.uk/emoji-charades](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/emoji-charades).

## Talk about young people's experiences, responsibilities and boundaries

1. Ask your child whether they have seen people in their school posting images to be mean or embarrass someone. What would they do if they saw this? Who could they turn to for help?
2. You could ask whether they think young people are sometimes embarrassed about the photos their parents/carers post of them. You could talk about what you could do to make sure they are happy with images of them online.
3. Ask your child how they can tell if an image or video is truthful. For example, they might have seen images edited to make people look better, or videos that are fake. Can we always tell?

## Discuss how we can all 'be the change' and help make the internet a better place

1. What could your child do to make the internet a better place? Can they share images and videos that have a positive message, or do they have creative skills to make their own videos?
2. Ask your child if they know where to go for help, where to find safety advice and privacy settings, and how to report or block on the services they use.
3. Encourage your child to do good digital deeds to help others. Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend that would benefit from their help and support.



<b>T</b>	<b>IS IT TRUE?</b>	Do you have evidence to support what you're saying?
<b>H</b>	<b>IS IT HELPFUL?</b>	Does your post or comment help to drive the discussion?
<b>I</b>	<b>IS IT INFORMATIVE? IS IT INSPIRING?</b>	Will your post add useful information? Will it inspire readers to think differently?
<b>N</b>	<b>IS IT NECESSARY?</b>	Does it <b>NEED</b> to be said? Think really hard about the word "need."
<b>K</b>	<b>IS IT KIND?</b>	Are you making this post or comment in a kind, respectful, courteous way?





# Athletics

In January, Years 3 and 4 took part in a Sports Hall Athletics Competition at Belmont Comprehensive.

Children took part in a range of events including, standing long jump, speed bounce, javelin, obstacle courses, and relay races amongst others. All children were a credit to the school!



A big thank you to everyone who has downloaded the Marvellous Me app. We now have 89% of children in school who have at least one parent/carer with a Marvellous Me account. Thank you for all the Hi 5's! Don't forget, any member of the family can share your child's Marvellous Me achievements using the unique code you were given. We hope that you have enjoyed the first two Thunks that we've sent home so far. Don't forget to Hi 5 when you've had your Thunk conversation at home! Thanks!



# *World War I Workshop with the DLI*

*Laurel Avenue hosted a WWI Workshop led by DLI staff. Year 5 & 6 pupils from St Josephs joined us for the morning.*



*The day began with a typical army drill; it even snowed for us as it did for the soldiers fighting in the trenches.*



*We used a variety of sources such as census data, official army records & photographs to find out about soldiers who served in the Durham Light Infantry during WWI.*



*We were able to handle real artefacts including uniforms and weapons. We had to wear special gloves to protect the artefacts and weapons.*







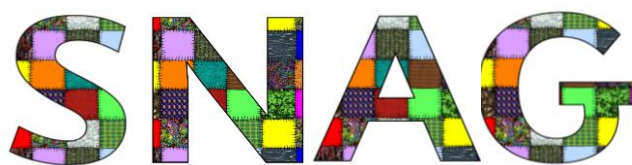
*Air Raid  
Warden's Hat*



*We sampled  
typical soldiers'  
rations; corned  
beef, vegetable  
stew and tea  
made with  
condensed milk.*



Photograph shows our School Nutrition Action Group  
SNAG with Mrs Elliott  
from Taylor Shaw



Ray Cooper, Layla-Rae Niles, Brooke Swift, Kierin Thompson,  
Kane Costello, Tegan France



They then sampled fruity  
flapjack Mrs Elliott had made  
especially for the meeting  
which was greatly enjoyed.

The new SNAG had their first  
meeting this term with our cook  
Mrs Bell and Mrs Elliott from  
Taylor Shaw. They discussed  
current menu choices and their  
likes and dislikes.

The group made plans for a  
Funny Friday menu for Comic  
Relief on March 24<sup>th</sup> and for an  
Easter lunch at the end of term  
with iced Easter biscuits.

## School Fruit Shop

Children in Nursery, Classes 1 and 2 receive a  
piece of fresh fruit each day for free as part of the  
Government's fruit scheme.



Children in Classes 3 and 4 can  
buy a piece of fresh fruit each day  
for only 50p per week.



*The Golden Table: Every fortnight, six children are selected by lunchtime staff for excellent lunchtime behaviour and fabulous manners.*

*Congratulations to the following children.*



Kaiden Watkinson, Logan Dinsley, Grace Wild  
Darcie Gillespie, Ebony Morris and Tommy Swainston



Lilly-Mai Niles, Tyler Crampton, Jasmine Rutherford  
Callum Blakey, Nicole Gibbs and Ben Fearon

# BREAKFAST CLUB

**GREGGS**

Breakfast Club continues to be a great success with 40 - 50 children attending most mornings!

We would not be able to offer this free club without the sponsorship from Greggs and of course without the brilliant support from our dedicated volunteers!

A very warm and great big thank you to all our brilliant Breakfast Club volunteers...

*Helen Blakey, Ellen Cottrell, Sarah Fearon,  
Claire Linfoot, June Nichol, Joe Pickering,  
Tracy Pickering, Tracy Salmon,  
Nichola Watkinson & Michelle Winter.*



***Reminder: Breakfast Club  
starts at 8.10 am. Please  
come for this time and not  
before, thank you.***

***Please keep a note of when your child will need their  
PE kit in school***

***Class 1: Monday and Wednesday***

***Class 2: Monday and Thursday***

***Class 3 and 4 need PE kits for FISCH every Thursday until March 23rd  
After March 23<sup>rd</sup>:***

***Class 3: Thursday (PE kit) and Thursday (swimming kit)***

***Class 4: Tuesday and Friday***

***We recommend children bring their PE kits into school every Monday &  
leave them on their pegs for the week, bringing them home every Friday.***



**Star Pupils** These children have been selected this half term to be Stars by their teachers for many different reasons, including excellent work and effort during lessons, as well as being kind and considerate to others.

**Nursery:** Bethany Grundy, Xavier Batog, Sophie Dixon  
Callum Collins, Lily



**Class 1:** Lilly-Su Parker, Tommy Swainston, Ebony Morris,  
Samual Linfoot, Zak Storey

**Class 2:** Jaydan Tuck, Logan Dinsley, Milena Blum Vestena,  
Zac Whittle, Tommy Scott



**Class 3:** Anas Sadiq, Tyler Crampton, Ellie Storey,  
Ben Maddison, Kierin Thompson



**Class 4:** Azka Fayaz, Oliver Pickering, Caitlin Bowes,  
Kyran Marchant

**Ms Davison:** Callum Hardy, Layla-Rae Niles, Samual Linfoot  
Alora Gillett, Lilian Ayo-Jayeoba



Whole School Attendance is currently at



96.3%



Let's continue to try and keep our attendance the best it can be. Bring your child into school before and after any appointments that can't be made after school or during the holidays to get their mark and so they don't miss a whole day of learning!

Thank you.



# Congratulations!



*Well done to all the following who achieved 100% attendance for January 2017*

Stephen Appleby ♦ Lilian Ayo-Jayeoba ♦ Casey Bainbridge ♦ Aliyah Barker ♦ Xavier Batog  
Alan Bentham ♦ Callum Blakey ♦ Milena Blum Vestena ♦ Caitlin Bowes ♦ Erin Brain  
Tia Burrows ♦ Lily ♦ Anthony Cooper ♦ Ray Cooper ♦ Kane Costello  
Logan Crampton ♦ Tyler Crampton ♦ Liam ♦ Keira Dinsley ♦ Logan Dinsley  
Oliver Dixon ♦ Rebecca Dixon ♦ Sophie Dixon ♦ Jasmine Emery ♦ Azka Fayaz  
Saliha Fayaz ♦ Ben Fearon ♦ Devan France ♦ Tegan France ♦ Jessica Garside  
Chloe Gibbs ♦ Darcie Gillespie ♦ Alora ♦ Bethany Grundy ♦ Daniel Grundy  
Callum Hardy ♦ Finley Haywood ♦ Riley Haywood ♦ Ella Johnson ♦ Lee Jones  
Karolina Kardzis ♦ Billy Laverick ♦ Jackson Laverick ♦ Samuel Linfoot ♦ Ebony Morris  
Paige Nichol ♦ Layla-Rae Niles ♦ Lilly-Mai Niles ♦ Scarlett Pallister ♦ Tayven Parker  
Alex Petit ♦ Oliver Pickering ♦ Betsy Pretty ♦ Lewis Rutherford ♦ Alex Scott  
Connar Shepherd ♦ Ellie Storey ♦ Zak Storey ♦ Tommy Swainston ♦ Cameron Thompson  
Kierin Thompson ♦ Alisha Walton-Rowlands ♦ Kaiden Watkinson ♦ Kenzie Watkinson  
Grace Wild ♦ Teagan-Leigh Wright



**GILESGATE  
BIG  
SING**

Love singing?  
Join our local choirs for an afternoon of song.  
With music from the church, stage and screen.  
No experience needed!

Rehearsals from 3pm | Buffet Tea (provided) at 5pm

**Saturday 4 March 2017**  
**St Giles Church**

Free performance - 6pm - All welcome!

Sign up online:  
[www.stgilesdurham.org.uk](http://www.stgilesdurham.org.uk)  
or call 0191 374 1079

Why not pop along to take  
part in the  
Gilesgate Big Sing!  
Rehearsals: from 3.00 pm.  
Free performance: 6.00 pm.

**St Giles Church**  
**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March**



*We hope that you are remembering to support the 'Once a Week, Take a Peek' campaign so we can work together to beat head lice. Please be vigilant and check your child's hair regularly, ideally once every week. The best known symptom is itching, but not all children will itch at first so don't rely on this.*

Once a  
**week**  
take a  
**peek**



*Support the  
crusade  
against  
head lice!*

Each week, children who achieve 100% attendance have the opportunity to win a £3 Tesco Gift Voucher  
Congratulations to:

Alora, Logan Dinsley,  
Kierin Thompson, Daniel Grundy  
Jaydan Tuck

Class 100% Attendance  
voucher winners:

If an individual Class has achieved 100% for one week, then an extra draw is carried out for the children in that Class.



Class 3: Brooke Swift



# Laurel Avenue Community Centre



## Mondays:

Laurel United Youth Group 5.00 – 7.00 pm  
Over 11 year olds, sessions are free

## Tuesdays:

Tea Club 3.15 – 4.00 pm (straight from school)

Youth Club, 4.00 pm - 5.30 pm Ages 5 years & above

Please remember to bring £2 into school clearly marked with child's name. Any additional spending money for the tuck shop can also be included.

Tuesday's Youth Club starts at 4 pm if not attending

Tea Club and costs 50p.

Please collect children from Youth Club on time, thank you.



## Thursdays:

Toddler session 9.00 – 11.00 am (Ages 0 - 5 years)  
£2 which includes breakfast

## Thursdays:

Lunch Club & Bingo 12 pm - 2.00 pm £4.00 includes two course hot meal and bingo with prizes. Anyone Welcome!

## Saturdays:

Saturday mornings we are open between 9.30 - 11.30 am for  
FREE Breakfast for families and activities with children.  
All free, in partnership with Durham City Food Bank.

For any further info please contact Claire Linfoot:

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# 2016 – 2017

Holiday	Closing Date	Date Re-open for Teaching Purposes
<b>Summer 2016</b> (6 weeks 3 days) 	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2016
<b>Autumn Half-Term 2016</b> (1 week) 	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2016	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2016
<b>Teacher Training Day</b> (1 day) 	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2016
<b>Christmas 2016</b> (2 weeks 2 days) 	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
<b>Spring Half-Term 2017</b> (1 week) 	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
<b>Easter 2017</b> (2 weeks) 	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
<b>May Day 2017</b> (1 day) 	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2017
<b>Summer Half-Term 2017</b> (1 week) 	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
<b>Summer 2017</b> 	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017	To be determined

These dates only relate to Laurel Avenue Community Primary School.  
 Each school in the area may have slightly different closing and re-opening dates.



*Year 6 will be doing their  
KS2 SATS: 8<sup>th</sup> May – 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017*

*Year 2 will be doing their  
KS1 SATS during the month of May 2017*

*Year 1 Phonics Tests will take place during the week  
beginning June 12<sup>th</sup> 2017*

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, pm: Year 2 – 6, Smoothie Bike Maker

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February, pm: Class 2 Gymnastics Carousel, Louisa Centre

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February: Second half term starts**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March: World Book Day. The School Council will send out information about this year's theme before the event

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, am: Class 1 – Infant Agility Festival

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, pm: Class 2 – 4 – Music for Youth Proms at Gala Theatre

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 1.00 – 2.15 pm: Class 4 World War 1 Exhibition in school.

Parents/carers invited.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March: British Science Week.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March: Class 4 Safety Carousel

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 9.00 – 12.00 am & 1.00 – 3.00 pm: Nursery Open Day

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March: Class 3 Anglo Saxon Visit – Palace Green

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 3.30 – 6.00 pm: Parents' Evening for Class 1, 3

& 4 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 – 6.00 pm, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 3.30 – 5.00 pm,

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 3.30 – 4.30 pm: Parents' Evening for Class 2

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March: Comic Relief

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March, 3.15 pm: Mothers' Day Tea in School Hall.

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March: Non Uniform day for an Easter chocolate donation please for raffle held during the Easter Assembly.

Easter Egg Decorating – Parents/Carers invited into school as follows:

Nursery: All day Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, in classroom

Class 1: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, between 1.30 and 3.00 pm

Class 2: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, between 1.30 and 3.00 pm

Class 3: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, between 1.30 and 3.00 pm

Class 4: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, between 1.30 and 3.00 pm

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, am: Class 2 Outdoors Adventurous Activities Festival – Riverside

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 9.15 am: End of Term Easter Assembly

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup>  
April. Summer  
Term starts**