



# KING'S ACADEMY COLLEGE PARK



**HAPPY HALF TERM!!**



LET'S GO  
ADVENTURE

**WHAT WILL YOUR ADVENTURE BE THIS HALF TERM?**



The first day of Spring term 2 is  
Tuesday 25th February.

Can you spot the love hearts hidden throughout our newsletter?



## ND PROFILES

Thank you to the families that are supporting the Inclusion team in the ND process. It makes a huge difference to children when they are having the support of the families too. It is a long process and the team ensure they are prioritising key children.








## WATER BOTTLES

A reminder that your child needs to bring a named water bottle into school **everyday**.

Please can we ask that children bring only water in their bottles to school, rather than squash or other flavoured drinks. Water is the best option health-wise for staying hydrated throughout the day, and it helps to maintain a clean and safe learning environment.

## KEY EVENTS

24th February	INSET DAY
28th February	Wombat Class Library visit
6th March	World Book Day 
7th March	Fox Class Library visit
13th/14th March	Year 2 Stubbington Residential
20th March	Year R - Brush Up visit
21st March	 Red Nose Day 
21st March	Squirrel Class Library visit
24th March	Year 1 Palm Sunday workshop
25th March	Year 5 Mary Rose trip 
25th/26th March	Year 3 STEM workshops
28th March	Rabbit Class Library visit
31st March	Year 5 Christian Story Workshop 
31st March/1st April	Year 6 STEM workshops
4th April	Hedgehog Class Library visit

# Message from Mrs Carlyle



Dear Parents,

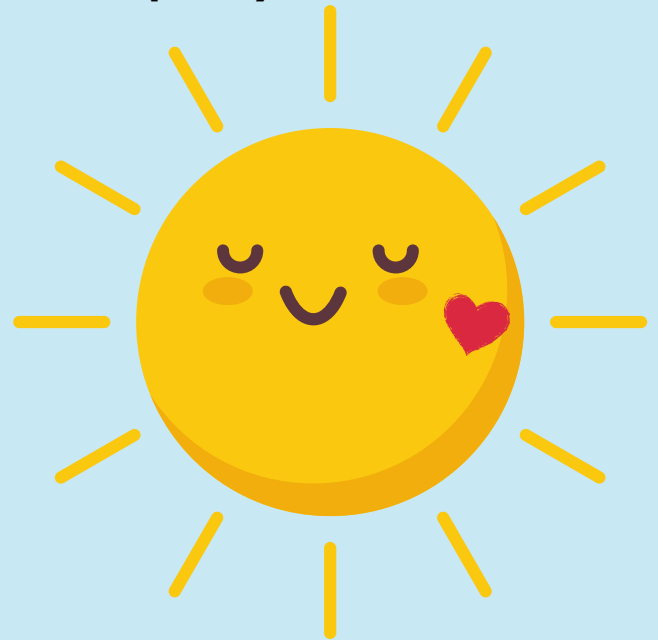
As we approach the half term break, I would like to say thank you for your support during what has been a very busy half term. As always, the children have worked incredibly hard and have shown true determination in everything they do when at school.

The next half term will bring longer days and hopefully, warmer weather, which everyone will benefit from.

Enjoy the half term break,

Take care, and thank you again,

Mrs Carlyle



## ASSEMBLY THEMES SPRING 2

These are the themes for our assemblies this term.

Week 1- British Values

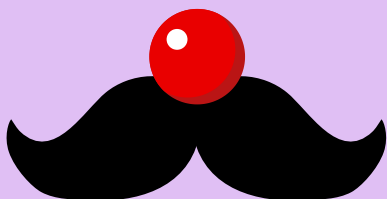
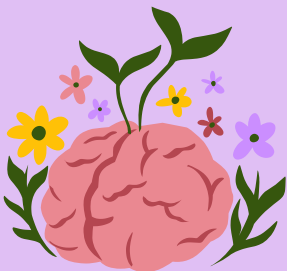
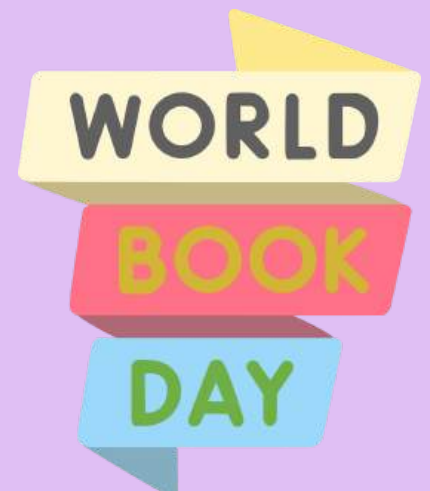
Week 2- World Book Day

Week 3- International Women's Day

Week 4- Red Nose Day

Week 5- Fr. Ben

Week 6- MHST



# NOTICES



Hargreaves are now supplying our uniform range. They are based in Hilsea and can take orders online.



In January, Bobbi in Year 3 won the award for most improved 2024 within her group at Portsmouth Gymnastics Centre. Bobbi joined the gym this time last year and has progressed through the groups very quickly and will be starting her grades soon.

Bobbi has been learning bars, beam, tumbling and has recently learned her first floor routine. Well done Bobbi, keep up the great work!

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## Food, Feelings & Facts

Let's talk about eating habits, behaviours and concerns. Ask questions and hear answers direct from CAMHS eating disorder team and other healthcare professionals

Everyone is welcome!

- Central Library, Guildhall Square  
12th of March, 5pm - 7pm
- Castle View Academy  
334 Allaway Avenue, PO6 4QP  
19th of March, 5pm - 7pm

Share your questions or comments, and register your interest to [clare@hiveportsmouth.org.uk](mailto:clare@hiveportsmouth.org.uk)

## Basketball After School Club

King's Group Academies

**Sign up!**



DON'T FORGET TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION!

Take me there!

Follow -US-



# NOTICES



## Road Safety Around School

The safety of our children is paramount, and we urge all road users to exercise caution when driving near schools. Speeding, reckless driving, and disregard for traffic rules in school zones put young lives at risk.

- **Slow Down** – Speed limits around schools exist for a reason. Always adhere to them and be prepared to stop suddenly.
- **Obey Traffic Rules** – Follow all signs, signals, and pedestrian crossings. Stopping in the road to drop your child to school is extremely dangerous and unacceptable.
- **Stay Alert** – Put away mobile phones and avoid distractions.
- **Respect Crossing Patrols** – The school crossing patrollers are there to keep children safe. Always stop when directed and never attempt to rush past.

We will not tolerate dangerous driving in our school community. Enforcement measures, including fines and reports to authorities, will be taken against those who disregard these essential safety rules.

Let's work together to ensure the safety of every child. Please drive responsibly.



View an electronic version of our **School Information Booklet** [here](#)



**Price & Buckland**  
SCHOOLWEAR SINCE 1888

### NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM WEBSITE LAUNCH

On the **11th** of February we will launch our **NEW** website. The URL remains: [www.price-buckland.co.uk](http://www.price-buckland.co.uk)



Website QR code. This will take you to the homepage to search for your school




If you have ordered from our website before, go to the **Account Section** and **re-set** your password. You can use the same password that you have currently.



You can then see previous orders and manage your account.



Any Questions? Call us on 01159 640827



### A taste of Portsmouth

Could your favourite recipe feature in our cookbook to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of Portsmouth?

Dear parents, carers and families,

In a joint initiative with the Portsmouth, City of Languages initiative, the Solent Language Hub and the University of Portsmouth, we are inviting the different education settings in the city to take part in 'A Week of Celebrating Languages in Portsmouth' (17 – 21 March 2025), organising activities to recognise the linguistic and cultural heritages of learners.

An exciting way to learn about different nations and their customs is, of course, through the food that is special to those places. Many of us will remember a dish from our family traditions or travels or be able to name a meal that reminds us of our childhood or that we look forward to eating during family reunions or celebrations.

We would like to invite you to share with us those recipes of traditional dishes so that we can compile a 'Taste of Portsmouth' recipe booklet, which will give a true flavour of the cultural richness and diversity of our communities. We hope to launch our creation during the *Celebrating Languages in Portsmouth Week*.

Those recipes can be something that you have to jot down on a piece of paper as you do it without thinking, it can be taken from your favourite recipe book that you use and **re-use** every family reunion, or it can be your favourite recipe from another family member, or it can be your child's favourite traditional dish.

Please send us a copy of your favourite recipe (or more than one if you can't choose!), possibly with pictures, and with details of the country it originates from, by **14 February 2025** and have a chance to see your choice featured in our recipe book. *(Do let us know if you are happy for your name to appear or if you would prefer for your dish to be included anonymously.)*

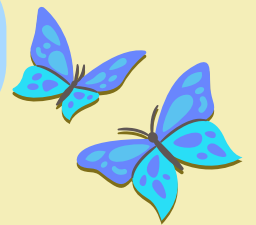
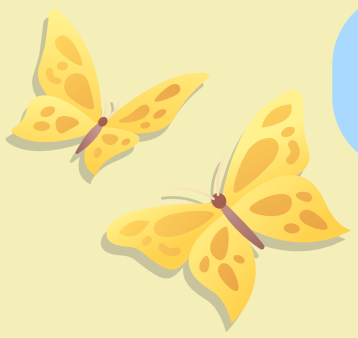
Please send your recipe to either of the following email address:

[lizlord0502@gmail.com](mailto:lizlord0502@gmail.com) (Liz Lord - Primary Languages Lead, Solent Language Hub and member of Portsmouth, City of Languages Steering Group)

[esmith@solentlanguagehub.co.uk](mailto:esmith@solentlanguagehub.co.uk) (Elle Smith - Solent Language Hub Administrator)

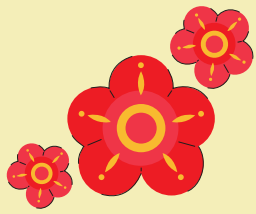
# SCHOOL TRIPS and EVENTS

NSPCC Number Day!

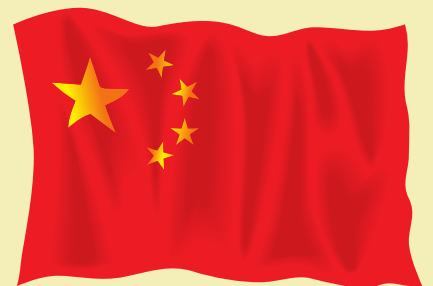
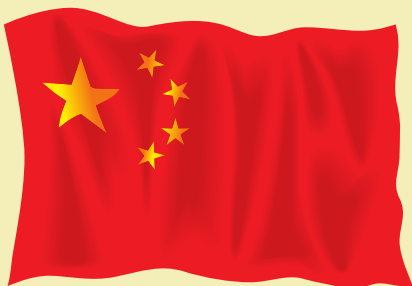
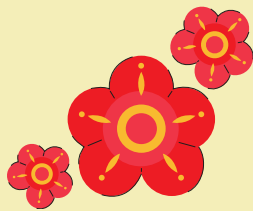


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# Chinese Exchange Students



# LOCAL HALF TERM EVENTS



**PORTSMOUTH YOUTH FORCE**  
**BASKETBALL SKILLS CAMP**  
 17TH - 20TH FEBRUARY  
 9:00AM - 3:00PM  
 HIGHBURY COLLEGE  
 TUDOR CRES, COSHAM,  
 PORTSMOUTH PO6 2SA

YEAR 2 - YEAR 6  
 BOYS & GIRLS,  
 AGES 6-11  
 FUN, SKILLS & GAMES  
 FOR ALL LEVELS

ONE DAY **£55** PER CHILD  
 TWO DAYS **£70** PER CHILD  
 THREE DAYS **£85** PER CHILD  
 FOUR DAYS **£100** PER CHILD

SCAN OR CODE TO SIGN UP! SPACES ARE LIMITED!

**ZUKO SPORTS**  
**FEBRUARY HOLIDAY CAMP**  
 KA NORTHERN PARADE SCHOOL  
 MON 17TH - FRI 21ST FEBRUARY 2025

<b>FOOTBALL CAMP</b> 5 DAYS YEARS: 1-8 9:00AM - 3:00PM	<b>MULTI-SPORTS CAMP</b> 5 DAYS YEARS: 1-8 9:00AM - 3:00PM
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WWW.ZUKOSPORTS.CO.UK/HOLIDAYCAMPS

**FUNKIDZ**  
**HALF TERM CLUBS**  
 £20 | 18TH FEB | 9-2  
 62 HIGH STREET, COSHAM, PORTSMOUTH PO6 3AJ

CRAFTS - DANCING - GAMES  
**BOOK NOW!**

WWW.FUNKDANCE.CO.UK  
 FUNKDANCELIMITED@HOTMAIL.COM

Girls only  
**February Half Term Holiday Course**

John Jenkins Stadium  
 9am to 3pm | Age 7-13 | £22 Per Day  
 Friday 21st February

ACCREDITED Supported by HANNCODES

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Low cost activities in Portsmouth

**PORTSMOUTH FORCE GIRLS SESSIONS**  
 TRAIN FOR FUN OR PLAY COMPETITIVELY IN OUR LEAGUE TEAMS

YEARS 4-10  
 TUESDAYS: 18:00 - 19:30  
 ADMIRAL LORD NELSON SCHOOL  
 FIRST SESSION FREE OF CHARGE



February half term events in Hampshire

**FREE YOUTH SESSIONS**

EPTengagement@portsmouthcc.gov.uk  
 07901 100537  
[www.eequ.org/portsmouthcitycouncilsessions](https://eequ.org/portsmouthcitycouncilsessions)

Looking for fun free activities to do during the February Half Term? Portsmouth City Council are running 6 exciting sessions over half term. These sessions are completely free and include a free nutritious meal for any and all Portsmouth 11-16 year olds. And include sessions at places such as Goals Portsmouth, Pitt Street Skatepark, Flip Out Portsmouth and Peter Ashely Activity Centre.

You can view all the sessions and book onto them by following this link or scanning the QR code:

<https://eequ.org/portsmouthcitycouncilsessions>

New KS1 Picture Books February 2025

Cover	Title, Author, Keywords	Annotation
	<b>Title:</b> Moon Mouse <b>Author:</b> Corinne Averiss <b>Keywords:</b> Animals, adventure	Mouse loves his moon home, but sometimes, when he spies a birthday party on Earth through his telescope, he finds himself wishing he could join in with the fun.
	<b>Title:</b> The Poo that Grew <b>Author:</b> Peter Bentley <b>Keywords:</b> Animals, insects, rhyme	Dung beetles love to chew on other animals' tasty poo. But when the monkeys make fun of them for having such a stinky lunch, the beetles decide to munch elsewhere.
	<b>Title:</b> The Camel who had the Hump <b>Author:</b> Rachel Bright <b>Keywords:</b> Emotions, camels, rhyme	In the shimmering desert, a joyful herd of camels are out to find an oasis for a drink and a play. All, that is, except Cumber. He hasn't woken up in such a good mood. There is ABSOLUTELY NOTHING that will get him out of his grump.
	<b>Title:</b> Boy Here, Boy There <b>Author:</b> Chuck Groenink <b>Keywords:</b> Adventure, families, prehistoric man	Across a river, the boy spots another boy. He's dressed differently, but so much else is the same. The two share a moment of recognition before the stranger and his family depart, leaving a lasting impression on the Neanderthal boy.
	<b>Title:</b> The Great Henna Party <b>Author:</b> Humera Malik <b>Keywords:</b> Parties, weddings, families	Noor's cousin is getting married tomorrow, and tonight, her family is throwing her a henna party. They will sing traditional songs, eat delicious treats, and have their hands painted in swirling designs using a dye called henna.
	<b>Title:</b> The Twirly Wiggly Dance <b>Author:</b> Farrah Riaz <b>Keywords:</b> Weddings, Muslims, dance, families	Little Intisar has a BIG job at her Auntie Mahira's wedding: she's going to dance in the group performance! As she practices, she realises there is one dance move that she can't do. Intisar worries she'll ruin the whole routine.
	<b>Title:</b> The Hare who Wouldn't Share <b>Author:</b> Steve Small <b>Keywords:</b> Friendship, rabbits	What is the point of sharing? thinks the hare. So, when a huge bear threatens to destroy the patch, will this hare come to see that giving things up for others means that you can gain so very much MORE of the most important things in life?
	<b>Title:</b> Everywhere with You <b>Author:</b> Carlie Sorrosak <b>Keywords:</b> Friendship, dogs	Two houses stand side by side; one is home to a dog, the other to a young girl. Though a fence divides them, the girl and dog build a sweet and sturdy friendship rooted in make-believe... and are lonely no more.



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ADVENTURE awaits BETWEEN the Pages



WE ARE A READING SCHOOL!

New Lower KS2 Books February 2025

Cover	Title, Author, Keywords	Annotation
	<b>Title:</b> Marmie Midnight and the Great Critter Contest <b>Author:</b> Laura Ellen Anderson <b>Keywords:</b> Moths, adventure, minibeasts, fantasy	The contest sees minibug students set off to explore the school in teams, searching for clues. The winners get an incredible prize and Marmie and her team are determined to be first to cross the finish line.
	<b>Title:</b> Rise of the Wrecking Crew <b>Author:</b> Kalynn Bayron <b>Keywords:</b> Vampires, adventure	San Antonio is on lockdown, taken over by the new hive. No one can deny that vampires are back now, but the Vanquishers come to their own painful realisation when they learn that an old friend is behind the vampire attacks.
	<b>Title:</b> The Trouble with Tyrannosaurus <b>Author:</b> Ian Billings <b>Keywords:</b> Dinosaurs, knights, humour	When a treacherous knight launches a coup against the king, the castle descends into chaos. Can Moss and Opal hope to save the Kingdom? Or will they be added to the dino-dung-pile?
	<b>Title:</b> Frozen in Time <b>Author:</b> Sheena Dempsey <b>Keywords:</b> Time travel, penguins, graphic novel	Pablo and Splash go to visit Professor O'Brien in her lab, only to find that their friend has been left behind in the Ice Age by her misbehaving time machine. The brave buddies set out on a rescue mission - destination 68,000 years ago!
	<b>Title:</b> Welcome to Camp Croak <b>Author:</b> Taylor Dolan <b>Keywords:</b> Scouting and guiding, horror, humour	Lexie Wilde thinks she's going to the Happy Hollow Camp. But her Grama takes a wrong turn and they end up at Camp Croak, where Lexie discovers it's much more fun sharing a cabin with a werewolf, a zombie and a ghost.
	<b>Title:</b> Bigfoot and the Wild Boys <b>Author:</b> Jenny Pearson <b>Keywords:</b> Adventure, humour	Joe is tired of being called average. So when he hears that a Bigfoot-like beast has been spotted in some nearby woods, he senses an opportunity. Surely capturing Bigfoot will make him stand out from the crowd.
	<b>Title:</b> The Call of the Silver Wibbler <b>Author:</b> Hannah Peck <b>Keywords:</b> Mystery	When Kate and her mouse Rupert sail through the jungle home of the Silver Wibbler, they know there's a story to be sniffed out. Why else would the Bird Brigade be on board?
	<b>Title:</b> Maggie Sparks and the Fang-tastic Fairground <b>Author:</b> Steve Smallman <b>Keywords:</b> Families, magic, witches, siblings	Join Maggie as she learns how to tackle school, make friends and most confusing of all: understand her emotions - when she's not facing dragons and meeting aliens, that is!
	<b>Title:</b> Tiny, the Secret Adventurer <b>Author:</b> Aisha Bushby <b>Keywords:</b> Animals, fantasy	Tiny is a small creature with a big heart living in a school garden. Her animal neighbours don't like her because she looks like a human. They think humans are big, noisy and messy and they're scared.



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YEAR 3/4 CHILDREN

New Upper KS2 Books February 2025

Cover	Title, Author, Keywords	Annotation
	<b>Title:</b> Cat on the Run <b>Author:</b> Aaron Blabey <b>Keywords:</b> Animals, humour, graphic novel	How do you avoid capture and prove your innocence when you are the most famous feline on the planet? Well, it ain't easy. Follow Princess Beautiful as she goes from meme megastar #1 to public enemy #1.
	<b>Title:</b> Reek <b>Author:</b> Alastair Chisholm <b>Keywords:</b> Sci-fi, fantasy, inventions, environment	Sparrow lives in the world after the Reek. The atmosphere is toxically polluted, and Axel Brodie, the tech billionaire behind Zephyr Industries, is cashing in as the only supplier of clean air.
	<b>Title:</b> Double Trouble Alert <b>Author:</b> Sophie Deen <b>Keywords:</b> Spies, robots, computer programming	As twenty robot twins run riot chasing an "evil" cow, top coder and super-spy Asha must work out how to deactivate them. Can she stop Shelly from launching her robot twin technology before anyone gets hurt - or worse?
	<b>Title:</b> Under a Howling Moon <b>Author:</b> Gabriel Dylan <b>Keywords:</b> Adventure, horror, friendship	Oli can't wait for his birthday camping trip to Howlmore Forest with his friends. They're going to toast marshmallows and tell scary stories, it'll be great! That is until the first night when Oli's woken by a terrifying beast slashing at the tent. And then his dad goes missing...
	<b>Title:</b> The Nightmares of Finnegan Quick <b>Author:</b> Larry Hayes <b>Keywords:</b> Horror, dreams	Finnegan Quick is haunted by nightmares. They're so bad, he's terrified of going to sleep. Because Finn's dreams change the waking world too. And now they're coming for his gran, the only family he's got left.
	<b>Title:</b> Chronicles of Lizard Nobody <b>Author:</b> Patrick Ness <b>Keywords:</b> Animals, humour	Zeke and Daniel have just been made hall monitors by Principal Wombat. This has nothing to do with the fact that they are monitor lizards. And never mind the fact Alicia, the only other monitor lizard in the school, is also a hall monitor.
	<b>Title:</b> Murder! By Narwhall <b>Author:</b> Alex T Smith <b>Keywords:</b> Mystery, adventure, humour	When the tyrannical family patriarch Sir Ignatious Gristle is murdered on his 90th birthday at his country estate, every one of his gathered family members is a suspect. Trapped by a snowstorm with no way to contact the police, it's up to his granddaughter, Edna to determine whodunnit!
	<b>Title:</b> The Haunted Mask <b>Author:</b> R L Stine <b>Keywords:</b> Horror, graphic novels	How ugly is Carly Beth's Halloween mask? The mask terrifies the entire neighbourhood. Before long, it has a surprising effect on Carly Beth, too. She tries to take it off... but it won't budge! Halloween is almost over, but fright night is just beginning.



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YEAR 5/6 CHILDREN



# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

"Fake news" refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It's often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### "CLICKBAIT" PHISHING SCAMS

A message arrives saying "Have you seen this video of yourself?" or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that's been shared on social media. This kind of "bait" is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our "need-to-know" instinct.

### SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS

Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don't miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it's legitimate.

### YOU'RE A WINNER!

This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we've won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and suchlike. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there's something to be gained by doing so.

### FALSE FRIENDSHIPS

Scammers often pretend to be someone they're not to gain their victims' trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they're a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

### PANIC MODE

To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child's account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they're in trouble and need help.

### FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called "business opportunities" or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies' social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### STAY INFORMED

Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people's digital lives: talk about what they're doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

### ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM

Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that's to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid losing out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what's on offer sounds too good to be true.

### TALK TOGETHER

Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they're unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don't pass judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Remember: adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

### BE PROACTIVE

Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don't wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, false information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they're aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).

## Meet Our Expert

Dr Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading expert in digital safety, media law and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit [OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk](https://OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk) for more.



# #WakeUpWednesday

The National College