

# Newsletter Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

**Menu Week:** Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> September will be **Week 1**

**Attendance: Whole School Target 2018/19 is 95%**



## Are you online



**Please check any 'apps' your child may be using.**

### **DOKI DOKI App**

We have been advised that there is a new APP that is going viral among many primary and secondary school age pupils.

The game is advertised as a school dating app and does not require parental checks to download. It is a free app and although users should be 13+ years children can easily agree to being over the age. Once downloaded, children have a ready access to their own account.

### **Twitch APP**

Gamers can live-stream the game that they're playing, along with a video feed of themselves. Users can follow broadcasters for free or else, subscribe to the channel for a fee. Users can chat privately (this is called a Whisper) - you can limit who can whisper to you in your settings.

- > Whilst it may seem harmless, many of the games being played have violent content, e.g. Call of Duty, which has a rating of 18+.
- > No child-friendly filter. Content users can view isn't restricted based on the age of the account holder.
- > Chat rooms run alongside the live-stream, while it does have moderators' content can only be moderated after it is posted.
- > Twitchers who stream also may use inappropriate language, which may be an issue especially if younger kids are watching.

### **Stay & Play for current nursery children & siblings**

Please come along to "Stay and Play" on Monday afternoons 1.45 - 2.45 in the main school for current nursery children, parents and younger siblings.



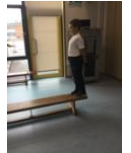


We are inviting you to an introduction to signalong workshop on the morning of Thursday 27th September at Russell House. If you are interested in learning some day to day useful signs please contact Beverley Thorne (Signalong Tutor) on 01562 827785 to book your place.

### Chestnut Class

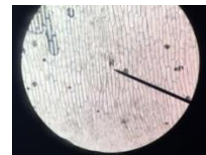
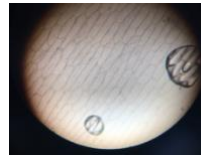
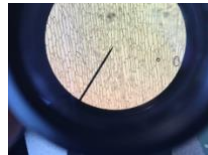
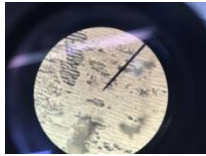


Everyone in Chestnut class really enjoyed our first PE lesson this year. Our focus is on pirates, and our favourite thing to do was to walk the plank! All the children did a fantastic job working on their balancing skills. Well done Chestnut class!



### Good work in Science

Class 10T have captured some amazing images of onion cells using the microscopes.



### Holly Class

Holly class have been learning about seasonal weather this week. They had GREAT fun flying a kite in the playground during the very high winds on Wednesday afternoon. Everyone had a great time (especially when Lyndsey had to run after the kite and retrieve it from the playing fields!) ☺



### Russell House News

Russell House would like to welcome everyone back after the lovely sunny summer holidays. We would also like to welcome both Bradley and Kayde who joined us at Russell House this week. We are holding a “welcome back” party on the 1<sup>st</sup> October at 4.30pm until 6pm and would like to invite our students’ families and staff teams to join us. Refreshments and Go Karts will be available at a small charge.

SEPTEMBER	
27	Introduction to Signalong 9.45 – 11.45 at Russell House
28	<b>BEECH Assembly</b>
OCTOBER	
1	Russell House Welcome Party (4.30pm – 6pm) <i>(new date!)</i>
4	Nasal Flu Sprays for Years R – 5 <b>(please return all forms to school by 24.09.2018, thank you)</b>
5	School Photographs
5	<b>CHESTNUT Assembly</b>
8	‘Dying to Drive’ - Key Stage 4 & 5
10	Parents Evening – more info to follow...