

ST. JAMES' (C OF E) JUNIOR SCHOOL

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day.



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 24TH APRIL 2026

CELEBRATION OF DANCE...

On Monday, our children took part in the Celebration of Dance Festival, performing in front of a live audience. They were absolutely AMAZING! Although we might be a little biased, we truly think they were the best there! A huge well done to all of the children for their hard work, confidence and fantastic performance. We would also like to say a massive thank you to all the parents who bought tickets and came along to support – we know you'll be just as proud of your children as we are.

YEAR 3 TRIP...

This week, our Year 3 children visited the mosque as part of their RE learning. It was a great opportunity for them to explore a place of worship and learn more about faiths and cultures. The children were really respectful and well behaved throughout and were a credit to the school. They enjoyed looking around and finding out more about the mosque, helping to build their understanding and respect for Islam.

RHE MEETING FOR PARENTS...

We will be holding an RHE meeting for parents after school next Tuesday. This meeting will give you an overview of the Relationships and Health Education topics your child will be learning about in the summer term. There will also be an opportunity to ask any questions to your child's class teacher. More information, including the policy and a list of resources, can be found on the school website.

YEAR 4 READING WITH PARENTS...

Year 4 will be holding their reading session with parents next Friday at 2:55pm. These sessions are a wonderful opportunity to come into school, spend time with your child, and enjoy a story together in a relaxed and welcoming environment. I strongly encourage all parents and carers to attend, as sharing a love of reading plays such an important role in children's development and helps to foster positive attitudes towards books and learning.

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY...

A reminder that school will be closed on Monday 4th May for Bank Holiday. The school will re-open on Tuesday 5th May.

Golden Book AWARDS

Our theme for the Golden Book this week has been 'Someone who always remembers their manners'

The children in the Golden Book this week are:

3R	Aarush
3W	Karma
3/4MS	Omar
4A	Al Arham
4B	Christabel
5F	Roman
5H	Gabriel
5/6F8	Zayaan
6K	Fawaad
6O	Joseph

Well done to all this week's winners.



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about STREAMERS

Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities – and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some gaming streamers will stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular. Non-gaming streamers could, in theory, discuss just about anything, and some streamers will often stream in revealing outfits.



NEGATIVE INFLUENCES

While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.



FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.



UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS

Influencers often showcase how glamorous their lives are, making some users feel as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is an act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokemon card worth \$5 million, but this is atypical of anyone working in the medium.



MISINFORMATION

Streamers are, in many ways, just like us – and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.



ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.



Advice for Parents & Educators

EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS

For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that – influencing young minds, for better or for worse.



CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS

While Twitch was the de facto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers – despite many being dogged by controversies.



DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION

Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.



SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS

You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.



Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



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