



# Farnborough Road Infant School

'LEARNING, CARING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER'

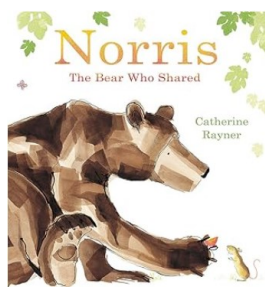
## Newsletter 5 7th November 2025



Week 10th—14th November we will be celebrating Friendship Week in school.

The theme is 'The Power of Good'

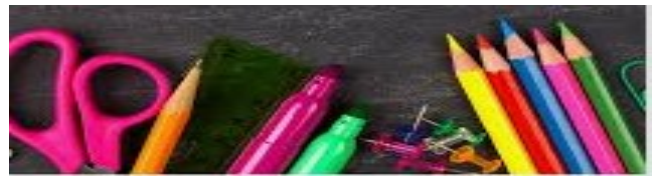
and we have chosen to base the week's work on the book 'Norris, The bear who shared' by Catherine Rayner which explores themes of friendship, patience and sharing.



On Monday 10th we are asking the children to come to school in odd socks with their normal uniform to show we are all unique and different and on Friday 14th we will be celebrating Friend of the Week and have a fabulous live band 'In Cahoots' providing an uplifting live music experience to sing and dance and celebrate our friendships.

During the week we will be re-painting our friendship benches in our new year groups, developing our skills to become a great listener, meeting up with our buddy classes to talk about kind behaviours and learning all

about how to be a really good friend, how to sort things out with our friends when we fall out. Children will receive friendship certificates for their kind words and acts of friendship. Please ask them what they have done to achieve them.



**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO REQUIRES A SCHOOL PLACE?**  
We have a few spaces in our Year 1 and Year 2 classes. Please make enquires to school at  
[admin.fris@schools.sefton.gov.uk](mailto:admin.fris@schools.sefton.gov.uk)

## Apply for a school place September 2026

**REMEMBER** if you require a school place for September 2026 for Nursery or Reception—APPLY NOW!

Deadline for Reception applications is 15th January 2026 and we will be allocating Nursery spaces for 2026 in the new year.

**Nursery Application :**  
<https://www.farnboroughroadinfants.co.uk/nursery-11/>

**Reception Application :**  
[https://emswebaccess.sefton.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/en](https://emswebaccess.sefton.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

**Join us for a School Tour**

Come and see what our Early Years provision has to offer

2 year old Nursery  
3 year old Nursery  
Reception

Individual school tours available 9.30am, 4pm & 5pm

Book a school tour with Miss Sephton on 01704 577637 or email [admin.fris@schools.sefton.gov.uk](mailto:admin.fris@schools.sefton.gov.uk)

Wrap around care available 7.45am till 6pm including holidays

School council presents

# Toast Café

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>  
8:20 till 8:40



Our school council are raising money for their chosen charity...



- RESCUE**  
To rescue unwanted, ill-treated, abandoned or neglected animals.
- REHABILITATE**  
The rehabilitation of these animals.
- REHOME**  
To provide residential care, or wherever possible to foster out these animals into secure, permanent and loving environments.

Toast will be sold for 50p per slice.



On Tuesday we will mark Remembrance Day in school with a minutes silence observed at 11am. The children have all seen a presentation explaining the meaning of Remembrance Day in assembly today. Thank you to everyone who purchased their poppy at school this year, donating to The Royal British Legion.

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November we will be supporting BBC Children in Need.

Children will be allowed to come into school in their own clothes on this day or wearing spotty clothes in exchange for a £1 donation for the Children in Need Charity. Please donate on Parent Pay.



We may even get a visit from Pudsey himself!!

## Breakfast With Santa

Each child will eat a yummy breakfast before meeting our special guest, Santa! They will receive a gift and have their photo with Santa (available on Dojo).

Please drop your child off at their class room door by 7:45am prompt, where they will be met by Santa's PTFA Elves!

Make your child's selection of cereal & drink via ParentPay when buying their £5 ticket.

If you would prefer your child not to attend breakfast or have their photo with Santa, but would still like them to receive a gift, there is a £2 charge on ParentPay.

Tuesday 25 November Year 2 - 7:45 am

Wednesday 26 November Reception - 7:45 am  
Butterflies and Ladybirds (Mrs Duckworth) - 9:30 am

Thursday 27 November Year 1 - 7:45 am  
Caterpillars (AM) and Ladybirds (Mrs Andrews) - 9:30 am. Caterpillars (PM) are welcome to take part too!

Payable on ParentPay until  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

No payments will be accepted after the deadline due to the advanced planning of this event

FRIS PTFA  
*Christmas Fair*  
Wednesday 3 December

Each class will visit the 2025 FRIS PTFA Christmas Fair during the school day!

There are fun festive games, prizes to be won and Christmassy crafts to be made.

£3 ParentPay until Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Our school values are:

**COMPASSION PERSEVERANCE HONESTY RESPECT and LOVE AND KINDNESS**



## Whole School

Date	Event	Time
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Christmas Fair Day	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTFA <u>Elfridges</u> Shop	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Santa Dash (with Santa Hats)	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Jumper Day	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner Day	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Panto	am
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Term	2pm

Date	Event	Time	Nursery Group
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Breakfast with Santa	Nursery Hours	Butterflies and Ladybirds (Mrs Duckworth)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Breakfast with Santa	Nursery Hours	Ladybirds (Mrs Andrews) and Caterpillars
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	2pm	Ladybirds Mrs Andrews
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	2pm	Butterflies
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	9.15am	Ladybirds Mrs Duckworth
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Party Day	Nursery Hours	Caterpillars, Butterflies and Ladybirds

## Reception

Date	Event	Time
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Breakfast with Santa	7.45-8.45am
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	2pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	9am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Party Day	In School Hours

## Year 1

Date	Event	Time
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Breakfast with Santa	7.45-8.45am
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St John's Christmas Tree Festival	am
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	2pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	9am
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Party Day	In School Hours

## Year 2

Date	Event	Time
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Breakfast with Santa	7.45-8.45am
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St John's Christmas Tree Festival	am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	2pm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Concert	6pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Party Day	In school hours

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# Online Safety Newsletter

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## CapCut

CapCut is a video editing app. Their services are intended for those over the age of 13 (those under the age of 18 must have consent from their parent/legal guardian). It is rated as 13+ on the App store.

### What can I do on CapCut?

CapCut is used as a video and image editing tool allowing users to edit their videos/ images as well as add music, sound effects, text and stickers.

### What should I be aware of?

- The templates are user generated, therefore they may not always be appropriate for your child to view, for example may contain adult themes.
- CapCut includes access to a library of music that can be used within videos that may include explicit lyrics.
- Premium content – CapCut does include in-app purchases/monthly subscriptions to allow users access to premium content.

### Further information

Internet Matters have created this useful guide:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/apps-and-platforms/skills-building/capcut/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translate tool on our web version: <https://www.knowsleydc.org.uk/november-2025-primary>

## WhatsApp Update

### School WhatsApp groups

Are you part of a parent WhatsApp group at your child's school? These groups can be useful for sharing information and reminders, but it is important to use them thoughtfully. Here are some tips on how we can ensure they remain positive and respectful:

1. Be considerate – we know messages can sometimes be misinterpreted so carefully think about what you share. These groups should not be used to share criticisms of the school, staff or other parents and children. Any concerns should always be discussed with the school directly.
2. Don't spread rumours – avoid sharing any gossip within the group.
3. Protect privacy - do not share photos or videos of other children.
4. Think before you send – be mindful of the time and if the message is necessary for everyone.

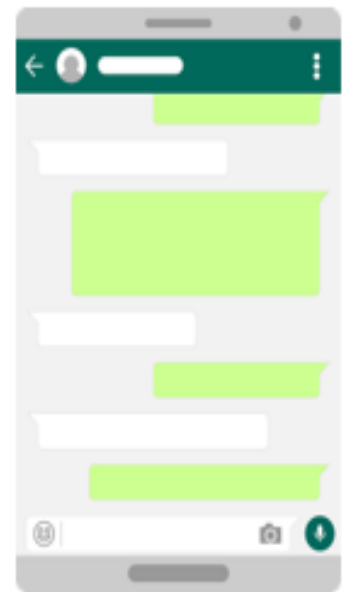
Our children watch how we communicate, so let's model healthy, online communication to them.

### WhatsApp Channels

**Users should be at least 13 years old to use WhatsApp.** If your child is using WhatsApp, then you should be aware of WhatsApp Channels. Channels are a one-way broadcast tool used by companies and individuals to send updates to followers. WhatsApp Channels can be found on the Updates tab. From here you can view a whole host of channels, including channels that will not be age appropriate and may include adult content.

You cannot switch off access to channels and there is no age rating associated with the channels so you would have to access them to know what the content truly is. Klicksafe highlight what you should be aware of: <https://www.klicksafe.eu/en/news/was-sind-whatsapp-kanale-und-was-muessen-eltern-beachten>

Find out more about WhatsApp channels in general here: <https://faq.whatsapp.com/549900560675125>

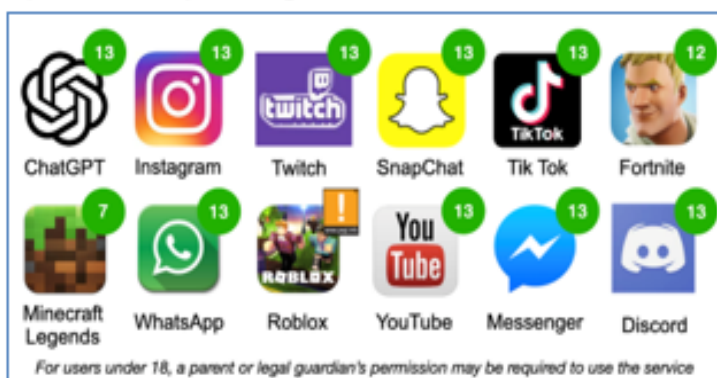


## Age Ratings

Age ratings exist to help protect your child by showing whether content is suitable for your child's age. Whether your child is viewing films, accessing apps, playing games online or using social media— make sure you check the age rating first to see if your child is old enough.

### Popular apps and their age ratings

Here are the age ratings of some of the more popular apps that young people are currently accessing.



In addition to checking the age rating, the likes of PEGI (Pan European Game Information) provide further content descriptors, which will give you an indication of the type of content that your child might encounter e.g. violence or bad language within a game.

### What else should I review?

It is important to note that whilst age ratings do allow you to see if something may be appropriate for your child, **it is also vital to review the content yourself.** This will allow you to make an informed decision as to whether it is suitable for your child to access and if it is necessary to apply further parental controls. For example, does it include the ability to communicate with others and are in game/app purchases available?

### What else can I do?

- Explain the importance of age ratings to your child and how they protect them.
- Go online together to see what your child is accessing.
- Set up parental controls on your broadband, devices and on any individual apps that your child is using. This will reduce the chances of them accessing or viewing anything unsuitable.
- Chat to your child regularly about what they are doing online and remind your child that if anything is worrying them then they should talk to you or another trusted adult.

### Further information

You can find out more here:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/age-ratings>

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## Help to keep children safe online with Techosaurus

The NSPCC have created Techosaurus, a friendly dinosaur to assist you in having chats with your child about online safety. It is aimed at younger children and includes a book and activity pack (both chargeable). You can find out more here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/techosaurus/>

## Online Roasting

Have you heard of this term? It has been around a while now, but Online Roasting refers to a form of cyberbullying. Roasting typically involves making fun and insulting somebody, sometimes with their consent and other times not.

### What can I do?

- Talk to your child about what online roasting is, ask them if they have ever experienced it and what they think about it.
- If this has negatively impacted your child then save any evidence and involve the school (if appropriate). Childline also offer further advice and support in relation to cyberbullying.

### Further information

Find out more here:

<https://www.bark.us/blog/online-roasting-signs-cyberbullying/>

## What to do when...from CEOP

CEOP Education have published this poster directing you to the relevant information around six different situations, such as what to do to protect your child from online blackmail. You can access it here:

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/globalassets/professional/resources/wtdw-round-up.pdf>