

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2025



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CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS GALORE!



This week Key Stage 2 and Early Years performed to the rest of school and their families. We really enjoyed watching them and were impressed with their singing and acting skills. They have left us feeling very festive!



CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS GALORE!





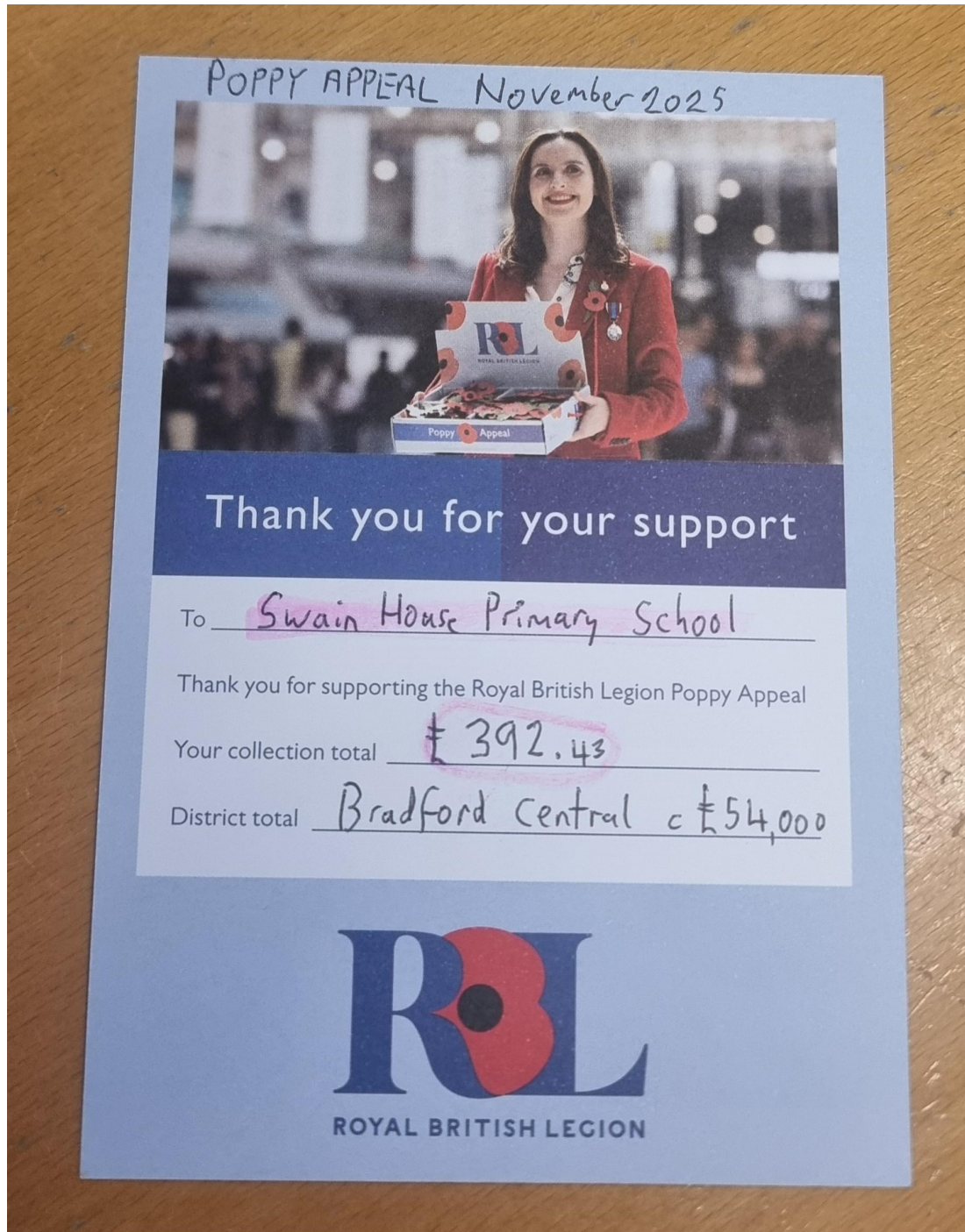
CHRISTMAS CRAFTS!

This week we have continued our tradition of our Christmas craft sessions. It was UKS2 this week. The children enjoyed spending time with their families, getting into the festive spirit and making some exciting crafts to take home.



POPPY APPEAL

We are pleased to share the total raised for this year's Poppy Appeal. We raised £392.43



CHRISTMAS DINNER!

We enjoyed our delicious Christmas dinner yesterday. We would like to say a huge thank you to the dinner staff for all their hard work.



Leo loved his Christmas dinner too!



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!

We raised £155 for Save the Children on Christmas jumper day!



YEAR 1 INDUSTRIAL MUSEUM TRIP

As part of their learning and understanding of houses in the 1940's, Year 1 took a trip to the industrial museum and took part in 'Grandma's Washday'. The children were provided with a hands-on workshop where they learnt how to wash and clean clothes in the past. They were very knowledgeable by the end of the workshop.



CHRISTMAS AT SWAIN HOUSE 2025!



Tuesday 16th December	10am & 2pm - KS1 Nativity for Parents
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Parties – all year groups
Thursday 18th December	Children's Toy Raffle
Friday 19th December	Swain House has Got Talent
Friday 19th December	Non-Uniform day & Toy Day



SHARING YOUR NEWS!



Last weekend, Tommy-Joe in Year 1 received a trophy as he was nominated as parent's player of the match for his football team. Well done Tommy-Joe!

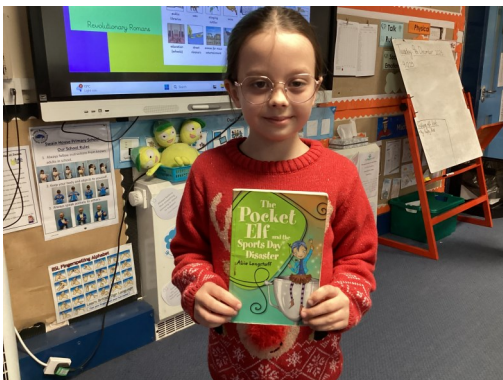
If you have any news about your child's achievements that you would like to share in our newsletter, please speak to your child's class teacher!

READING PLANET REVIEWS!

As part of our Key Stage 2 reading scheme, we would like to use our weekly newsletter to help promote and share some of your children's favourite stories that they have read. Each week, we will be sharing book reviews that have been written by your children. Hopefully these reviews will inspire our children to read one of the books when they choose their next one.

The Pocket Elf and The Sports Day Disaster - Earth

Myla - Year 4



I really enjoyed this book because it is so funny! I liked the part where one of the elves gets stuck in a tree. It's also funny when the elf is told to put sunscreen in the main character's backpack but he puts it in their dressing gown instead! I have a love for books so I really enjoyed this one and I recommend it to anyone who likes books with fantasy characters.

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RECEPTION OPEN DAYS



SWAIN HOUSE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

RECEPTION 2026 OPEN DAYS



TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER - 9.00AM
FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER - 3.30PM
THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER - 4.30PM

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER - 4.00PM
MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER - 5.00PM

TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY - 9.00AM
THURSDAY 8TH JANUARY - 3.30PM
TUESDAY 13TH JANUARY - 9.15AM
THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY - 9.30AM
THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY - 4.30PM



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CHRISTMAS PARTY INFORMATION!



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Friday 5th December 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian

All year groups will be having their Christmas party this year on **Wednesday 17th December 2025**. Your child may come to school in party clothes on this day. We would appreciate your support by asking for contributions of traditional party food.

Below is a list of suggested party food you could bring in.

Savoury	Sweet
Cucumber sticks	Cakes
Carrot sticks	Buns
Bread Sticks	Biscuits
Dips	Fruit
Crisps	Popcorn
Cheese sandwiches	
Tuna sandwiches	
Egg sandwiches	
Mini cocktail sausages	
Samosas	
Onion Bhajis	
Mini Sausage Rolls/Cheese Rolls	

School will provide drinks.

Boys – Sweet

Girls – Savoury

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Pugh'.

Mrs Clare Pugh
Headteacher

BREAKFAST CLUB INFORMATION



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Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to inform you that from **Monday 5th January 2026**, we will be changing the entrance used for children accessing Breakfast Club. This is to reduce congestion in the main office area.

When we return to school, after the Christmas break on Monday 5th January, please can you use the piazza entrance (picture shown below) to drop your child off for Breakfast Club. To locate the piazza, walk past the community entrance, towards the bottom car park then turn left through the gate. When the piazza door opens for Breakfast Club, a member of staff will be ready to greet your child and register them. Parents will then leave through the piazza door. Breakfast Club opening times are 7.30am, 7.45am and 8am.



Please can we also remind parents that we offer free Breakfast Club for **all children** from 8.00am. Please book free Breakfast Club places via ParentApps. If you need any support with this, please contact school on 01274 639049.

If you would like your child to attend the free Breakfast Club, which starts at 8am, and to have breakfast in school, they need to arrive by 8.20am. After this time, we will not be able to offer breakfast as the children start getting ready to go to class for the start of the school day at 8.25am.

If you have any questions regarding this change then please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Clare Pugh
Headteacher

GREAT OAK NURSERY



Great Oak Nursery

at

Swain House Primary School

Now enrolling for our September, January and April intakes

Is your child 3 or 4 years old?

'My child started Great Oak Nursery in September. All of the teachers have been amazing and my child loves coming to his new school and is thriving



We have full & part time places available

With wrap around care 7.30am until 6.00pm

7.30am Breakfast Club - £2.40 a day

7.45am Breakfast Club - £1.90 a day

8.00am Breakfast Club - free

After School club 3.15pm until 4.00pm £2.50 a day

Extra Club 4.00pm until 6.00pm £4.50 a day

Please contact the school on
01274 639049

LITTLE ACORNS NURSERY

Little Acorns Nursery At Swain House Primary School Do you have a 2 year old?

September, January and April intake

Little Acorns Nursery is a warm, nurturing atmosphere where children learn through play in a safe and stimulating environment



We have full & part time places available

With wraparound care
7.30am until 6.00pm

please contact the school on
01274 639049

WEEKLY UPDATES

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Here are this week's attendance and punctuality figures. There is a proven link between attendance and achievement and it is therefore very important that your child attends school and is on time unless they are too unwell to do so. Our doors open at **8.30am** and close at **8.40am**.

Please see the information below for our whole school and class attendance for the week ending **12/12/25**.

Early Years and Key Stage 1:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Elm	98.3%	1
Willow	90.7%	0
Kandinsky	93.2%	0
Matisse	86.3%	4
Lowry	92.2%	3
Van Gogh	98.1%	2

Key Stage 2:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Anne Fine	89.3%	4
Roald Dahl	92.3%	7
JK Rowling	82.6%	2
Michael Morpurgo	94.7%	1
Elgar	94.8%	4
Mozart	91.7%	3
Beethoven	92.8%	2
Vivaldi	93.7%	3

Congratulations to **Elm Class** and **Van Gogh Class** for having the **best attendance** this week.

Congratulations to **Willow Class** and **Kandinsky Class** for having **no lates!**

Our whole school attendance this week:

92.2%

COMMUNICATION SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER

These are the letters, messages and website updates that have been sent out this week. If you have not received any of these letters, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the office on **01274 639049**.

WEBSITE UPDATES:	National Online Safety - 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is about 'Toy scalping, fakes and scams'.
LETTERS:	
MESSAGES VIA PARENTAPPS:	11.12.25 - Class Assemblies 12.12.25 - KS1 Nativity Performance

COMMUNITY NEWS



BOYS DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

**Goals
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TUESDAYS

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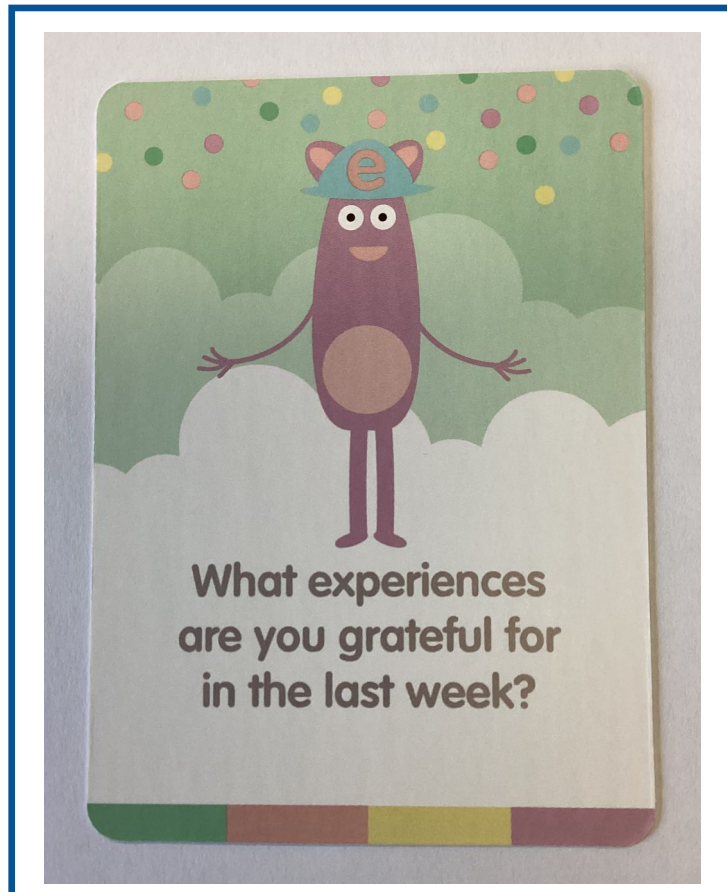
MYHAPPYMIND

OUR CONVERSATION CARD OF THE WEEK



Enjoy a conversation!

Each week we will share a conversation card. These are designed to help you have meaningful and fun conversations with your child and aid discussions about mental health and happiness.



MYHAPPYMIND APP

The myHappyMind app includes lots of fantastic features such as—kids zone, myHappyMind games and mini master classes for parents .



REMINDERS

BREAKFAST CLUB AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Our Breakfast Club opens at 7.30am at a cost of £2.40 each per day or at 7.45am at the cost of £1.90 each per day. Children from Nursery to Year 6 can attend.

If you would like to book your child into Breakfast Club, please use ParentPay.

We have a free Breakfast Club 8.00am—8.30am

If you would like to book this please use ParentApps

Our After School Club is available until 4pm at a cost of £2.50 each per day.

If you would like to book your child into After School Club, please use ParentPay.

EXTRA CLUB

We also offer an Extra Club service that runs until 6.00pm at a cost of £4.50 per day.

If you would like to book your child into Extra Club, please use ParentPay.

Please can you ensure that Extra Club places are booked and paid for in advance - by Monday morning. This ensures registers are accurate and places are booked and guaranteed.

If you have any problems booking any of our before or after school clubs, please contact Miss Armitage, one of our learning mentors.

DIARY DATES

ANY NEWLY ADDED ITEMS WILL BE IN BLUE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
WEDNESDAY	17.12.25		CHRISTMAS PARTIES
FRIDAY	19.12.25		NON UNIFORM AND TOY DAY
FRIDAY	19.12.25		SCHOOL CLOSES
MONDAY	05.01.26		SCHOOL REOPENS

MENU 15/12/25

Homemade bread,
selection of seasonal
vegetables / fresh salad
and fresh fruits served
daily

Swain House Primary School

Wk 1 - 3rd Nov, 24th Nov,
15th Dec, 5th Jan, 16th
Jan, 9th Mar
Wk 2 - 10th Nov, 1st Dec,
22nd Dec, 12th Jan, 2nd
Feb, 23rd Feb, 16th Mar
Wk 3 - 17th Nov, 8th Dec,
29th Dec, 19th Jan, 9th
Feb, 2nd Mar, 23rd Mar

MON TUES WED THUR FRI

WEEK 1

**Halal Rich & Creamy
Meat Lasagne**
(Red Tractor Accredited HMC Beef
Mince in a rich Tomato Sauce with
Herbs & Garlic layered with Pasta
Sheets and a Creamy Cheese
Sauce, served with Garlic Bread)

**Rich & Creamy
Meat Lasagne**
(Red Tractor Accredited Beef Mince
in a rich Tomato Sauce with Herbs &
Garlic layered with Pasta Sheets and
a Creamy Cheese Sauce, served with
Garlic Bread)

Spaghetti Marinara
(A Tomato and meaty spiced
Sauce combined into cooked
Spaghetti, topped with Cheese)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Chocolate Sponge
& Chocolate Sauce**
(Homemade, light
Chocolate Sponge, served
with Chocolate Sauce)

**Chicken Tikka Masala with
Pilau Rice / Naan Bread**
(Red Tractor Accredited diced Chicken
& Chickpeas in a mild Curry Sauce
with Pilau Rice or Naan Bread)

**Creamy Mac
& Cheese**
(A Macaroni Pasta dish, coated
in a Creamy Mature Cheddar
Sauce, served with Crusty Bread)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

Butterfly Buns
(Individual decorated
Sponge-based Dessert)

Roast Meat Dinner
(Red Tractor Accredited Meat (either
Gammon, Turkey or Pork Loin) served
with Yorkshire Pudding, Roasties &
Gravy)

**Halal Roast
Chicken Breast**
(Red Tractor Accredited HMC
Chicken Breast, served with
Yorkshire Pudding, Roast
Potatoes & Vegan Gravy)

Toad in the Hole
(Quorn Sausage Baked in a
light Batter, served with Roast
Potatoes)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

Fruity Flapjack
(A sweet Bar made with
Oats, Golden Syrup &
Butter with Fruit)

**Classic Cheese &
Tomato Pizza with
Coleslaw & Salad**
(Wholemeal 50/50 Base topped with
a lightly spiced Sauce and topped
with Mozzarella/Cheddar Cheese)

Arrabiata Pasta
(Chili Tomato Sauce with
Lentils and Peppers, served
with Pasta & Crusty Bread)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes

**Creamy Rice
Pudding with
Strawberry Jam**
(Creamy Milk pudding
served with Jam)

**MSC Breaded Fish
Fillet Fingers**
(MSC Fish Fillet Fingers, served with
Seasoned Potatoes)

**Southern Fried Chicken
Goujons & Garlic Mayo**
(Red Tractor Accredited pre-fried
Breaded Chicken, served with Garlic
Mayonnaise & baked Jacket Wedges)

Vegetable Samosa
(Vegetables with a light Spice
encased in Pastry & Baked,
served with Raita)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Strawberry Sponge
& Custard**
(Homemade, light Vanilla
Sponge with a Strawberry Jam
swirl, served with Custard)

WEEK 2

**Beef & Red Lentil
Bolognese & Garlic Bread**
(Red Tractor Accredited Beef Mince &
Lentils in a Tomato Sauce served with
Pasta & Garlic Bread)

Halal Keema Biryani
(Red Tractor Accredited HMC
Beef Mince & Peas in a Spicy
Pilau Rice)

Pomodoro Pasta
(A simple, delicious rich Tomato
Sauce with Beans, served with
Garlic Bread)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Decorated
Fruit Jelly**
(Jelly with Fruit, topped
with Fresh Cream)

Traditional Chicken Pie
(Red Tractor Accredited diced Chicken
Pieces in a rich Gravy with Vegetables,
topped with a Golden Pasty Lid served
with Potatoes)

Golden Cheese Whirl
(Cheese, Potato & Onion encase
in Puff Pastry, served with baked
Jacket Wedges)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

Vanilla Sponge
(Homemade, light Vanilla
Sponge with a hint of
Vanilla, served with Custard)

Roast Meat Dinner
(Red Tractor Accredited Meat (either
Gammon, Turkey or Pork Loin) served
with Yorkshire Pudding, Roasties &
Gravy)

**Halal Roast
Chicken Breast**
(Red Tractor Accredited HMC
Chicken Breast, served with
Yorkshire Pudding, Roast
Potatoes & Vegan Gravy)

**Hearty Shepherd's
Pie**
(Soya Mince, Veg and Gravy
filling, topped with Mashed
Potato)

Sprinkle Cake
(Homemade Vanilla
Sponge, lightly topped with
Water long and Sprinkles)

**Classic Cheese &
Tomato Pizza with
Coleslaw & Salad**
(Wholemeal 50/50 Base
topped with a lightly spiced Sauce
and topped with Mozzarella/
Cheddar Cheese)

Arrabiata Pasta
(Chili Tomato Sauce with
Lentils and Peppers, served
with Pasta & Crusty Bread)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Selection of Sandwiches

Gallydale Biscuits
(Homemade, Charming,
Catty Biscuits)

**MSC Battered
Fish Fillet**
(MSC Battered Fillet of Fish,
served with Baked Jacket Wedges)

Vegetable Pakoras
(Mixed Vegetables & Onion
coated in Tempura Batter,
served with Baked Jacket
Wedges & Raita)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Marble Sponge &
Chocolate Sauce**
(Homemade Sponge with
Ribbons of Vanilla &
Chocolate Cake, served
with Chocolate Sauce)

WEEK 3

**Creamy Chicken Pasta
& Crusty Bread**
(Red Tractor Accredited diced Chicken
in a homemade Creamy Sauce with
Garlic, served with Penne Pasta)

Halal Chicken Bhuna
(Red Tractor Accredited HMC
Chicken stir-fried and slow cooked
in a spicy Shama Masala)

BBQ Quorn Pasta
(Quorn Pieces in a Barbecue
flavoured Tomato Sauce, served
with Wholemeal Pasta)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Apple Crumble
& Custard**
(Sliced Apples topped with
Oat Crumble, served with
Custard)

**Loaded Wedges with a
Mild Mexican Chilli &
topping**
(Red Tractor Accredited Beef Mince in
a mild, homemade Chilli Sauce, served
on Baked Jacket Wedges)

**Loaded Wedges with
a mild Mexican Veg
Chilli**
(Vegan Mince in a mild,
homemade Chilli Sauce, served
on Baked Jacket Wedges with
toppings)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Peaches & Ice
Cream with Syrup**
(Vanilla Ice Cream with
Thinly Sliced Peaches with a
Chocolate Flavoured Syrup)

**Sausage in Gravy with
Yorkshire Pudding**
(Red Tractor Accredited Sausage,
served with Yorkshire Pudding)

Halal Cottage Pie
(Red Tractor Accredited HMC
Beef Mince in a Gravy with
Onions, topped with Mashed
Potatoes & Cheese served with
Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy)

**Savoury Mince
topped Tatties**
(Soya Mince, Vegetables &
Potatoes, served with a
Yorkshire Pudding)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

Cornflake Tart
(Pastry base with
Cornflakes and Syrup,
served with Custard)

**Classic Cheese &
Tomato Pizza with
Coleslaw & Salad**
(Wholemeal 50/50 Base
topped with a lightly spiced Sauce
and topped with Mozzarella/
Cheddar Cheese)

Spaghetti Marinara
(A Tomato and meaty spiced
Sauce combined into cooked
Spaghetti, topped with Cheese)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Selection of Sandwiches

**Chocolate Sponge
& Chocolate Sauce**
(Homemade, light
Chocolate Sponge, served
with Chocolate Sauce)

**MSC Breaded Fish
Fillet Fingers**
(MSC Fish Fillet Fingers, served with
Seasoned Potatoes)

**MSC Salmon &
Sweet Potato Fishcake**
(MSC Salmon & Sweet Potato, served
with Seasoned Potatoes)

**American Style
Quorn Hot Dog**
(Quorn Sausage, served in a White
Bun with Seasoned Potatoes)

Assorted Jacket Potatoes /
Hot Sub Roll

**Chocolate
Crispy Crunch**
(A sweet Bar made from
puffed Rice, Cocoa & Syrup)

food quarter

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& nutritional
information
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NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

This week, our 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is about 'Toy scalping, fakes and scams'.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

TOY SCALPING, FAKES & SCAMS

Online scalping is when individuals or groups use automated software (bots) to bulk-buy high-demand items – such as gaming consoles, concert tickets, limited-edition trainers, or exclusive merchandise – with the intention of reselling them at vastly inflated prices. It's a fast-moving online trend that can frustrate young consumers and expose them to misleading practices or financial harm. As this unethical tactic grows, it's important to help children and young people understand how scalping works and how to navigate it responsibly.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

FINANCIAL PRESSURE AND MANIPULATION

Scalpers create artificial scarcity by buying up large quantities of stock before the public has a fair chance to purchase. This drives up demand and pushes prices to extreme levels. Young people may feel intense pressure to spend more than they can afford for fear of missing out entirely.

EXPLOITATION OF FANDOMS

Scalping often targets popular releases with strong fan bases, knowing that loyal followers are emotionally invested. Children and young people may place huge value on owning certain items linked to their favourite artists, sports teams or games, making them more likely to accept unfair prices or questionable sellers.

ACCESSING UNSAFE WEBSITES

In the rush to secure rare items, young people might click through to unverified sellers, online marketplaces with little consumer protection, or even sites designed specifically to harvest personal and financial data. This can expose them to fraud, malware, and identity theft.

NORMALISING UNETHICAL BEHAVIOUR

Some influencers and online communities present scalping as a clever money-making scheme rather than an exploitative one. This can normalise dishonest behaviour and blur the line between legitimate business and opportunistic profiteering for younger audiences.

RISK OF SCAMS OR COUNTERFEIT GOODS

Not every high-priced resale is legitimate. Fraudulent sellers may take payment for goods they never send, or ship counterfeit versions of branded items. In some cases, the product may look authentic in photos but turn out to be of poor quality or completely different from what was advertised.

REINFORCING INEQUALITY

Scalping makes already expensive items even less accessible, particularly for lower-income families. Children may feel excluded from trends or shared experiences with friends if their family cannot meet the inflated prices, which can lead to feelings of isolation and disappointment.

Advice for Parents & Educators

TALK ABOUT ONLINE FAIRNESS

Use scalping as an opportunity to discuss fairness, consumer ethics, and how some people exploit markets for profit. Encouraging children to think critically about whether they truly need an item – and at what cost – can help them make more considered decisions.

SUPPORT INFORMED PURCHASING

Show children how to check seller credentials, read independent reviews, and verify whether a site is secure before making any payment. Knowing how to spot red flags, such as unrealistic promises or missing contact details, can prevent costly mistakes.

ENCOURAGE PATIENCE OVER IMPULSE

Teach young people to wait for official restocks or future releases instead of paying over the odds. Many products come back into circulation, and patience can save significant amounts of money while reducing the likelihood of falling victim to scams.

SET SPENDING BOUNDARIES

Establish clear rules for online spending, including limits on prepaid cards, gaming gift cards, and online wallets. Discuss the real-world value of money spent on digital or collector's items so children understand the long-term impact of their purchases.

Meet Our Expert

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