Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

#### Good Afternoon

I can't quite believe we are in July already and the heavens have just opened!

We have activities planned for families to attend but do have contingencies if the weather isn't kind. Do come and join us!

- Sports days 1.30 week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> July (Nursery 11.00am / 2.15pm
- Proms on the Yard 1.15 18<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 leavers performance 10.00am on the last day (20<sup>th</sup>)

Parents Meetings – this will go live n Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to book your appointment via Parentmail.

Next week we have the Deputy Head interviews on Friday 8<sup>th</sup>. We will need to alter the Star of the Week Assembly to accommodate this.

# **Pre-loved uniform shop**

If anyone has any clothing to donate that is in good order please bring it to school. We will take donations at any point but would like as much as possible to be available on out first opening.

### Safety online

I need to let adults know about Huggy wuggy. We have some concerns and have found this on Mums Net that explains it well.

A mental health charity has urged parents NOT to let their kids watch the 'sinister' online character Huggy Wuggy.

SAMHI Suicide Awareness & Mental Health Initiative posted about the social media craze, which is targeting kids, on their <u>Facebook page</u> earlier this week.

This follows police and school warnings in April that children should be kept away from the online videos which feature a blue teddy bear who sings songs about hugging and killing people.

The charity posted an image of Huggy Wuggy along with a caption: ' A PARENT ALERT A

'This is Huggy Wuggy - a sinister character that children are coming across online.

'Parents are being urged not to let their children watch terrifying TikTok and YouTube videos of the killer teddy.

'The bear sings about "hugging and killing" and asks those watching to "take their last breath".'

I am also aware of children watching YouTube videos of how-to self-harm. It would be a good time to check what your child is accessing and look at putting parental controls on devices. We teach about on-line safety all the time but temptation is put in children's way. If I find out which children I will let parents know so you can keep your children safe.

# Thank you

Our citizen of the week went to a very worthy member of our school and Community. We are so proud of **Callum Crow** for keeping a level head when phoning for the paramedics to come to the family home. He was calm and sensible in his reactions and was nominated not only by myself but the paramedic crew who wanted his courage to be acknowledged.

# Attendance

This weeks overall attendance for school was 92.1%. Had it not been for holidays this would have been 96%

Foundation 2	89.6%
Year 1	88.4%
Year 2	91.4%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	90%
Year 5	96.4%
Year 5	91.8%
Total	92.1%

Enjoy the weekend and lets hope the soggy weather clears away

M Mackenzie and all the staff