

Weekly Bulletin – 14TH Dec 2023

School Year Term Dates 2023 - 2024	
TERM 1	1 st September 2023- 20 th October 2023
TERM 2	30 th October 2023 – 15 th December 2023
TERM 3	3 rd January 2024 – 9 th February 2024 INSET DAY 2 nd January 2024
TERM 4	19 th February 2024 – 28 th March 2024
TERM 5	15 th April 2024 – 23 rd May 2024 INSET DAY 24 th May 2024
TERM 6	3 rd June 2024 – 23 rd July 2024
	School Events
15.12.2023	Carol Service at 2:45pm – parents and carers welcome
02.01.2024	INSET DAY – School Closed for Pupils
03.01.2024	Term 3 Starts
12.01.2024	Mid Year Reports
06.02.2024	Parents Evening – Late Session
07.02.2024	PTA sponsored in school farm visit
08.02.2024	Parents Evening
12.02.2024	Visiting Speaker – Nick Alford
w/c 26.02.2024	Book Fair – All Week
06.03.2024	Year 4 - Brockhill Country Park Trip
19.04.2024	Year 1 – Kent Life Trip
24.04.2024	Year R - Wingham Wildlife Trip
17.04.2024	Class Photos
29.04.2024	Year R Vision and Hearing Checks
20.05.2024	Year 3 – Lullingstone Roman Villa Trip
28.06.2024	Sports Day
10.07.2024-12.07.2024	Year 6 – Residential Trip



If you wish to book your child into Breakfast club for next term, please email the school office with your requirements before the start of Term 3

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Admission to Primary school in Kent 2024

Apply online at <u>kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions</u> Opens Friday 3 November 2023 and closes at midnight on Monday 15 January 2024

For children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, Transferring to Primary school in September 2024

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at <u>www.kent.gov.uk/</u> primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens Friday 3 November 2023 and closes at midnight on Monday 15 January 2024.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (Tuesday 16 April 2024) an email will be sent after 4pm informing you of your offer

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Tuesday 30 April 2024**. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you have queries relating to this, please email the team on one of the email addresses below.

Key dates	
Friday 3 November 2023	Online application process opens. Go to <u>www.kent.gov.uk/brimgrvadmissions</u> to register and apply.
Monday 15 January 2024	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to <u>kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk</u>
Tuesday 16 April 2024	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm.
Tuesday 30 April 2024	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Tuesday 14 May 2024	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at <u>www.kent.gov.uk/schooloppeals</u> . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Need help?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk or kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk Full information booklet can also be viewed online at <u>kent.gov.uk/brimaryadmissions</u>

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.



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It's Christmas Time - Parents guide to help keep children safe online

It's Christmas Time!



A Parent's Guide to Social Media



A Purent's Guide to Online Grooming



A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers



A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures



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A Purent's Guide to Fake News



A Parent's Guide to Gaming



A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming



A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings

It's always best to be prepared

Many parents may be planning to give electronic gadgets to their children this festive period.

Our guide is designed to help parents take a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games.

Scan the QR code to find out more.

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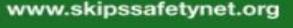
Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipsed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941





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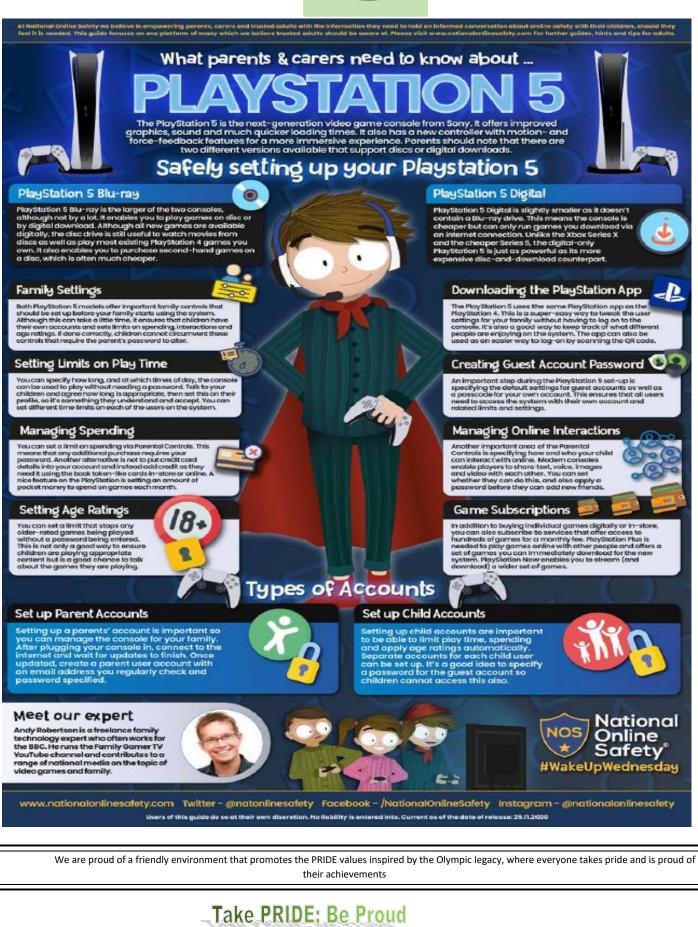


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There's a good chance you already know what the PlayStation 4 (PS4) is. Sony's video game console is often touted as being one of the best-selling of all time, with over 100 million units shifted worldwide. With over seven years of polishing and fine-tuning under its belt, you'd expect the console to be one of the safest around. While this is overwhelmingly true, there are still things parents should be on the lookout for whether they're children are starting it up for the first time or they're already experienced users. GAME SPECIFIC PEGIRATING - See Individual Title Packaging

What parents need to know about PLAYSTATION 4

SAFETY CONCERNS

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SCREEN ADDICTION

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PlayStation Plus and Play Station Store) under one roof. Accounts are free and come in two forms; mastar accounts and sub accounts; with mastar accounts having access to the parental controls on a console, if a

child was tricked into revealing it or if a hacker obtained the details otherwise) then it could provide access to personal information or banking details.

ONLINE BULLYING

Sometrines in an online game, payers will be able to freatly that with each other. While these interactions will mostly be positive and about having fum is agame, some people will take this opportunity to use offensive or abustve language or may just want to agamate other players. In some cases, it may amount to hareasment, brolling or cases of online builting.

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Safety Tips for Parents & Carers

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IMPLEMENT PRIVACY CONTROLS

Sometimes it's easier to block potential risks at the source when playing online. Through Network heater is your constraints whether a chiral heater heater is your constraints whether a chiral heater the PSNor whether they can stew content created by other players. This mean disabiling the ability messages or displaying and enturing commerts for Heater leaguests and game invitations. It also means you can

Meet our expert

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DISCUSS PSN RISKS WITH YOUR CHILD

ADULT CONTENT IN GAMES

It's a mays a good hade to decise with your of motions or stay safe on the PlayStation Network and how to respond if pacelie they don't know contact them. Advise your child be reported by body with a paceler advise your child be unconnet table and to never there on not be to be to be of motions of the agree of advantory or not be block of motions of the agree of advantory or unchild fails threatened by their babantory or

SET AGE RATING LEVELS FOR GAMES, DVDS AND BLU-RAYS

s well as controlling what age rating level of a ame your child can play, you can also set popopriate controls for DUDs and Blue Rays. To set its up, simply go through the Family Managemen atting and then Applications, Devices. Network enters and select the type of contant you would so to control.



packs in games like Forthite and FIFA. This can be done using your mester family account and then selecting your child's account. Go to Applications Devices Network Features from where you should be able to select Monthly Spenching Umit and adjust it as you see fit.

SET MONTHLY SPENDING LIMITS

KEEP ACCOUNTS SECURE

ay time can also be managed through the asySation's parental controls. On the family enager accounts, go to Sattings, irrental Controls, Family enagement and select the child anagement and select the child count yourd like to limit play time r. Form hare, set a Time Zone, then infigure the Play Time Settings to vior ance.

LIMIT PLAY TIME

To stop children from changing parental controls and adjusting their own initia and nearbitions, you can drasta a system restriction personale to drasha gusta its login and as the palogin passcoole so that only you can access your account. To protocipation that ways poul of the power of any new logins. You can also set up a password at the document. The Parsylation Store so that there is an additional layer of sourty if amphody attempts to make any normal



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The Xbox One is among the most popular video game consoles on the planet. Released in 2013, there are a multitude of Xbox One variants on the market, including the One, One X and One S, with the next full console, the X box Series X, coming towards the end of 2020. With units sold exceeding 50 million, there's a whole network of gamers already enjoying online experiences together through the console's Xbox Live service. That's why it's important that parents and carers understand exactly what the Xbox One is all about

Playing with Strangers

Xbox Live is the online service for the Xbox One, and its where the majority of online games are played. Part of the fun of gaming is playing with peoplefrom all different walks of life, and while most players will only be boking to have fun and make some new therds along the way, it also means that childen can be playing and potentially communicating with people online they don't know and have new met.

Online Bullying

XB ox includes multiplayer games and the ability to interact and chat with other payses. This includes being abile to physote message one ano ther. Xbox has community standards that glays is should abide by however these aren't always followed and it's possible, like any online social media interaction, that glaye is consend harmful or hotoful messages to your child or even display online builying behaviour.

Inappropriate Content

Like many gaming plotforms, one of the biggest attractions to Shar One is the ability to ploy games on hink. Childen canaeccess these through the Games Pais service. However, this canalso open up channels for younger childen to potentiality play online. games with older children or young odults who may use awaar words or in appropriate language. Furthermore, if there are no agerestictions in place, childrenco uid access game s that contain adult themes such as graphic de pictions of twar, vibence or even sexually suggestive material.



Set up a Microsoft Family Account

Setting up a family account is a great way to personalise your chiefs online experience based on age appropride limits that you set for privacy, online purchases, content filters and screen films. It provides you with the ability to manage parental settings and ensures that only you ucan change Xbox privacy and online exitings to a phild near unit.

Create Spending Limits

Having a pre-set limit of how much a child can spend is a greatway to set boundaries on puichases with your bank accounts, while giving them the freedom to spend some money on their favourite games. Ontop of that, it's a great way to encourage facal responsibility at an early age. If you'd prefer, you can also have child accounts request approval to buy things throughyoueach time they want to make a purchase.

Meet our expert

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ces: https://www.acbox.com/en-GB/community/for-everyone

Safety Tips

Check Age-Ratings

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Make sure you're aware o the game s that your child is phyling and what the réclinatings for themais. The ratings are there to guide parents in knowing what's contained within the games, built's up to the mito make the decision of whether or not they're suitable to give, if you want a compiste overview, use the family account softings to block in appropriate content and make sure your kids only view content and give gant fags.

Report Bullying Behaviour



ur child how to report inappropriate r that they experience online. If is a r player, they can search for them from is tab and then sele at report or block. e they know when to tell a trusted adult ody has said or done something jonline. It's also worth remembering don't have to game online, there are a nes that can be played of the other

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Purchasing Add-Ons

Screen Addiction

The Xbox is not just a ga system. Childrencan pic lims and TV shows, liste

Phishing Risk

Discuss Screen Time

Taking regular breaks from gaming is vitally important/or childron as much as anybody so it's important to encourage children to take time away from their screen and to do other things if you're really concerned about their device usage, you can implement screen time limits from your family account to help encourage a healthy bakence. This can be done on specific apps and games and combe implemented for individual devices or every device they own.

Keep Profiles Private

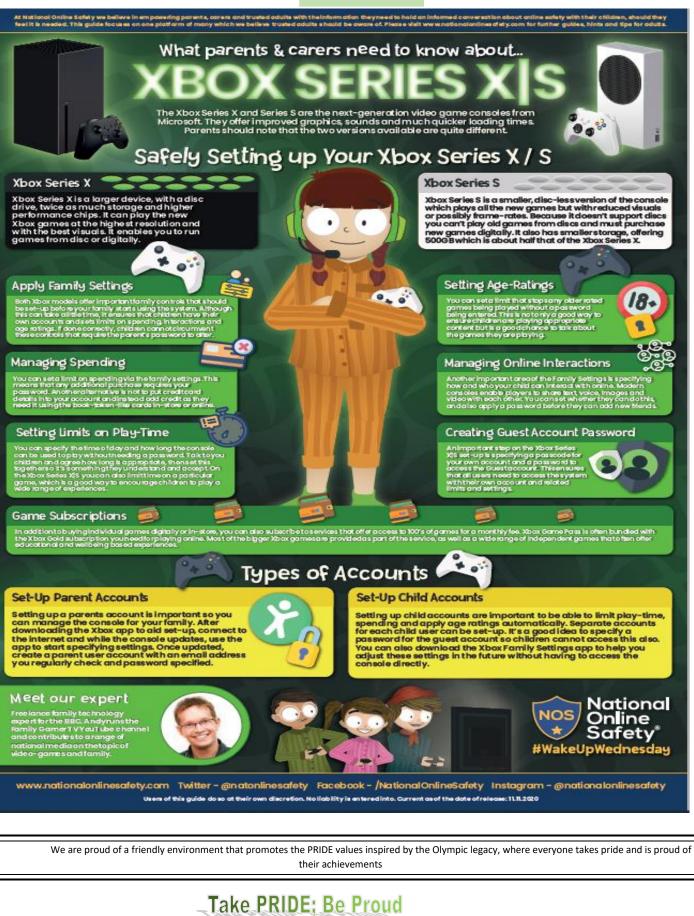
Use the Xbox controls and settings to ensure-your child's profile iskopt private online. Manage what others can see abou your child's personal details and limit whe your child can communicate with and who can instruct with their contentor seen the ministruct with their contentor seen the ministruct with their contentor seen the ministruct will keep you in the loop as to who they are engaging with online.



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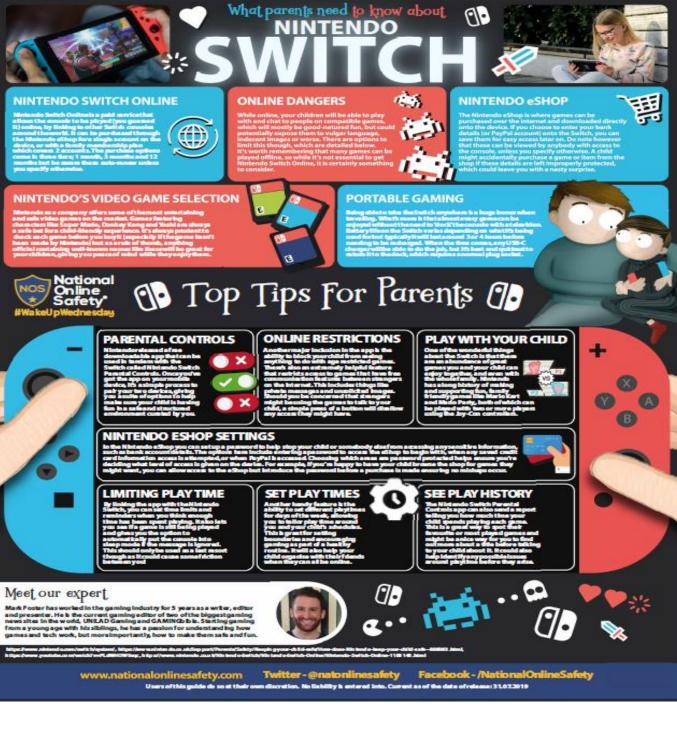


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The Switch is a hybrid console released by popular video game company Nintendo in 2017. It's classed as a hybrid because it's designed to be played both at home on a television, like traditional consoles (think a PlayStation or an Xbox) or out and about like a portable console, such as a GameBoy. It uses two detachable and wireless 'Joy-Con' controllers on either side of the console's screen, which can be used by one or two players. The Switch can be played on the intermet with the purchase of Nintendo Switch Online, in the living room together or on the go during long journeys, but bear in mind it needs to be charged just like anything else!





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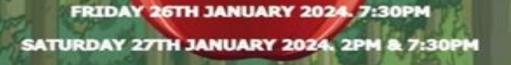
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Tickets will be available from the 1st of December 2023 by contacting the Box Office on tickets@hamsproductions.o or by calling 07731 455 677.

Tickets can also be purchased on a Sunday evening between 6 & 7 pm from the Lenham Community Centre Tickets are priced at £6 for Adults and £4 for Children 2-16

Under 2 free if sitting on an adults lap.



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Monday 15th and 22nd of January at 4.30pm Wednesday 17th and 24th of January at 4.30pm and 5.30pm

Tonbridge Road Methodist Church 106 Tonbridge Rd, Maidstone ME16 8SL Tuesday 16th and 23rd of January at 5.30pm and 6.30pm Saturday 20th of January at 9.15am and 10am Saturday 27th of January at 10.15am and 11am

Online via Zoom Lessons available Monday to Saturday Please contact us to arrange a FREE TRIAL at your preferred location or to enquire about any of our other locations in surrounding areas!

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