



Dear Parents and Carers,

### Thank You – Around the World Festival

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our WBP Around the World Festival on Friday! It was a truly joyful celebration of cultures and community, and one of the absolute highlights of our school year. We are incredibly grateful to all who contributed – whether by preparing a delicious dish for our international food stall, purchasing raffle tickets, or simply enjoying the wonderful entertainment and stalls on offer. Events like this are only possible with your support, and we thank you wholeheartedly.



### Year 5 Bexley Maths Champions!

We are bursting with pride for our fantastic Year 5 pupils who represented Willow Bank at the recent Bexley Schools Maths 24 competition. With outstanding teamwork, determination and sportsmanship on display throughout, they achieved the highest overall score across all participating schools! A special congratulations to Nife, who made it to the final and secured the top spot in Bexley, bringing home the gold medal. What a fantastic achievement – well done, Year 5!

### WBP Spelling Bee 2025

This week also saw our annual WBP Spelling Bee, with children from Year 1 to 6 taking part. Class finalists went head-to-head in their phase competitions, impressing us all with their vocabulary and confidence. Huge congratulations to our 2025 Spelling Bee Phase Champions:

- ☀️ Gabriel
- ☀️ Luna
- ☀️ Ademipo




We are so proud of all participants for their bravery and brilliance!



Today, your child will bring their end of year report home. This will also be sent via Arbor in digital form. Please take time to talk to your child about their fantastic achievements and targets for next year. If you wish to discuss the report with your child's teacher, please make an appointment by calling the school office.

### Coming Up Next Week

As we head into the final stretch of term, we have a few exciting events ahead:

-  **Monday 14th July** – Children's University Graduation Ceremony, 9:30am
-  **Thursday 17th July** – EYFS Graduation Ceremony, 2:00pm
-  **Thursday 17th July** – Year 6 Production, 5:00pm performance for parents

We look forward to seeing many of you there as we celebrate the achievements of our wonderful children.

Wishing you a warm and restful weekend,

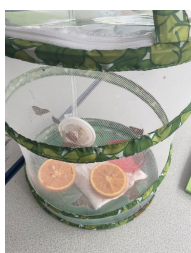
Mrs Oldfield and The Willow Bank Primary Team



## Magnolia

### From Egg to Butterfly: A Journey of Growth and Wonder

In our EYFS setting, the children have been nurturing real butterfly eggs, watching in awe as they transformed through each magical stage—from tiny caterpillars to beautiful butterflies. This hands-on experience has been a powerful link to Personal Development, encouraging curiosity, patience, empathy, and responsibility. Through caring for the butterflies, the children developed a sense of wonder about nature, learned to respect living things, and reflected on their own growth and feelings. Just like the butterflies, they are learning that change takes time, care, and courage.



## Year 1

In Year 1 we have been learning to recognise and understand emotions. The children explored different feelings, such as happiness, sadness, anger, and excitement, and discussed how our facial expressions and body language can show how we feel. We talked about why it's important to express emotions in healthy ways and practised using words to explain how we are feeling. Through stories and role-play, the children also learned strategies to manage big emotions, like taking deep breaths or asking for help.



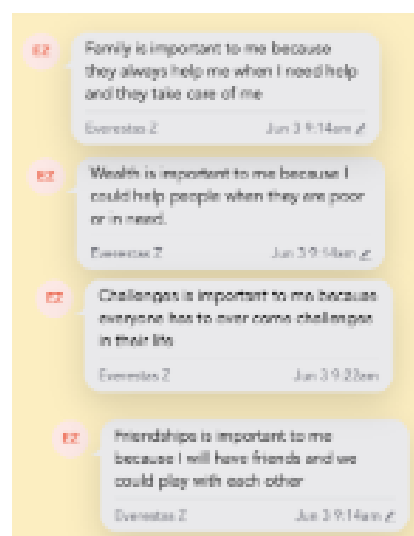
## Year 2

Children in Year 2 have been learning about different core values, they have learnt about curiosity and created their own curiosity box, they then asked questions they were curious about on post it notes and included it in their curiosity box.



## Year 3

This term year 3 explored friendship in Personal Development, identifying important qualities in friends such as kindness and honesty, helping them understand and build positive, supportive relationships with others.



Year 4

Year 5



## Year 6



**Starting Secondary School**





### KS1 & EYFS Parent Reading Morning

Every Thursday from 8:40-9:10am

All parents and carers welcome!



We are looking for Read with Me volunteers at Willow Bank! These volunteers will visit our Yr 1 & 2 classrooms and listen to our children read.

If you are interested in volunteering with us for 30 minutes or an hour each week, then please pop into the office to express your interest and pick up our application pack.



	Our target is over 96%
 Magnolia - 97 %	 Yew - 98%
Hornbeam - 95%	Redwood - 96%
	Almond - 96%
Hazel - 97%	Walnut - 92%
 Larch -93%	Sycamore - 94%

### School Reminder

Children should not arrive earlier than 8.20am, for Bagel Breakfast club from 8.25am - 8.35am  
School gates close at precisely 8:50am. After this time, entrance is via the school office and parents will need to sign your child/children in using the screen.

### A reminder that we have our Chance To Chat.

As a school we provide ongoing support for the children's wellbeing and mental health to which one of the methods is they can fill out a form while in school to express their worries. The form then gets placed in the 'Chance to chat' box where it will be addressed by the wellbeing team.

We also have an online form which is located on the school website named 'Chance to chat'.

The children can complete the form if they are worried about something or need some advice? A member of staff will get back to the child at school.

Please copy the link below and paste in the search bar and it will direct you straight to the form.

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=MvrWB2Z-r0qnuEuN-giOI1CAPQc0X4RFje43giTliLNUOE5BWUFISE40VjBXODZYRVFITLNXVzZYNCQLQCN0PWcu>



## JULY 13th Bostall Gardens PARKSfest 2025 FAMILY FUN DAY Programme



### Activity on Picnic Area - Viola Avenue Entrance

DJ Chigger MC	12.00 – 12.10
Yoga	12.10 – 12.30
DJ Chigger	12.30 – 12.35
African Masquerade	12.35 – 12.55
Dynamix Street Dance	12.55 – 1.15
Yoga	1.15 – 1.35
Sippsopps Entertainment	1.35 – 1.55
DJ	1.55 – 2.00
Musicians	2.00 – 2.40
African Masquerade	2.40 – 3.00
Dynamix Street Dance	3.00 – 3.20
Musicians	3.20 – 4.10
Trophies by The Mayor	4.10 – 4.40
Vote of Thanks	4.40 – 4.45
Sippsopps Entertainment	4.45 – 5.05
Raffle Draw	5.05 – 6.00
Event close	6 pm

### Top Picnic Area - Rochdale Road Entrance

TACO 100 Club  
Free Activities for children. 12.00 – 6.00  
Join artists, architects and playworkers for day of structure building, motto creating, art, play and more. A day of drop in workshops and free play, featuring The Alternative School of Economics, Becoming X, and more. No need to book!

### Bostall Community Garden

Plant your own window box 12.00 – 6.00

### Ball Court Area

Bouncy Castle – Bounce all day for £1

### Tennis Courts

Family Time Free Play Mini Courts FACILITATED WITH COACHES ON HAND TO HELP (30 min slots)	12.00 – 2.00
Competition	2.00 – 4.00
Presentation Court 1	4.10 – 4.40
Tots tennis (3-6yrs) on court 2 (upto 16 people) COACHED	4.00 – 4.30
Youth tennis (7yrs-13yrs) court 2 (upto 16 people) COACHED	4.30 – 5.00
Cardio Tennis (court 1 & 2) 16 people, 8 per court	5.00 – 6.00

Bookings are live now  
with 50% capacity.  
1st come first  
served basis.  
Use QR CODE



### Outside

Bike marking by local Police  
Meet Safer Spacers Team  
Stalls: Food • Local businesses  
Charities • Face paintings

### Pavilion

Massage: £5 – Limited Spaces:  
book in advance 07923837746  
Litter Pick Challenge • Meet your local Councillors  
Teas and Coffee • First Aid Point • Lost Children,  
Raffle Tickets and Prizes

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# PARKSfest 2025

The Friends of Bostall Gardens presents

## Family Fun Day Sunday 13 July 12pm - 6pm

### BOSTALL GARDENS

Viola Avenue SE2 0TQ

African Masquerade: dance, music and fashion show  
Live performances from local musicians  
Dynamix Street Dance  
Sippsopps Exercise to Music  
Yoga for all ages  
100 Club Children's Activities  
Bouncy Castle – All afternoon for £1  
Tennis Competitions – Trophies presented by the Mayor

plus

Bostall Community Garden - Buy a window box and plants plus other activities  
Massage £5 – book in advance 07923837746  
Litter Pick Challenge • Face painting • Henna  
Bike Marking • Safer Spaces  
Meet your local Councillor  
Raffles • Food and Local Stalls



[www.parksfest.org](http://www.parksfest.org)

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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-ENABLED SCAMS

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is quickly becoming a widely used tool, with lots of positive applications being discussed and developed. Sadly, however, as with most technology tools, there are those who will seek to use it for malicious and dishonest practices, with children and other vulnerable groups particularly at risk.

### PHISHING EMAILS: BETTER & QUICKER

Phishing scams – emails designed to trick people into handing over login details or money – are not new, and do not rely on AI; however, AI has made them far more dangerous. Criminals can now generate highly convincing emails at speed, mimicking an organisation's tone, branding and language with ease. This makes phishing attempts harder to spot, especially for young people who may not yet know what to look out for.

### ONLINE MARKETPLACE FRAUD

Online marketplaces are now a common way to buy and sell everything, from second-hand clothes to cars. Criminals are exploiting this by using AI to enhance or completely fake product photos and videos, and pressure buyers into paying deposits or full amounts upfront. These tactics are becoming more advanced, making it vital to pause, check, and verify the sale before parting with any money.

### VOICE IMPERSONATION

AI can now realistically impersonate a person's voice when given a small sample of someone's speech patterns. This is especially concerning where voice has been enabled as an alternative to password-based logins. One such example was the use of AI deepfake audio as part of a fake kidnapping scam: the criminals used an AI voice clone of a 15-year-old to convince her parents she had been kidnapped and elicit a ransom.

### EMPLOYMENT SCAMS

Using AI, criminals can create fake online profiles that seem completely real. These synthetic identities can chat with young people about fake job offers, asking for money to secure a visa or paperwork. In 2025, The Guardian reported a scam targeting young people with promises of quick cash, posing as TikTok staff.

### INFLUENCER & INVESTMENT SCAMS

AI tools now make it easy to manipulate video and audio, with technology available that can generate entirely fake content using the likenesses of celebrities or influencers. Criminals are using this to create convincing videos of well-known figures promoting fake products or services, which young people can be particularly susceptible to. Cryptocurrency scams are a common tactic, luring people into investing in schemes that do not exist. Once payment is made, the criminal simply disappears with the money.

### ROMANCE SCAMS & SEXTORTION

AI chat bots can now mimic real conversations, often accompanied with realistic fake photos and videos, which makes it easier for criminals to build trust with young people – among other things, this can lead to fraud or sextortion. In 2024, the UK's CEOP Safety Centre received 380 reports of sextortion. Alarmingly, in the first five months alone, police received an average of 117 monthly reports involving under-18s, showing how serious and targeted this threat has become.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### THINK CRITICALLY

The key to addressing the increasing growth of AI-enabled scams is to think critically and show caution. Inform children that if something is too good to be true, then it probably is. Encourage them to stop and carefully consider what they are seeing and reading before taking any action. For example, if a social media post expresses urgency, proceed with caution; if content seems unusual, even from a known person, it may be that their account has been hacked.

### USE TRUSTWORTHY SITES AND SERVICES

Online marketplaces are useful when buying and selling items; however, where possible, encourage children to use reputable companies and their online shopping sites. These companies are likely to have more sophisticated cyber-security safeguards in place, underpinned by consumer legislation, enabling them to control how products and services are displayed and traded on their sites.

### SEEK TO VERIFY

Criminals may breach an influencer's account or spread misinformation and fake content; however, their approach will generally be limited to a single account, site or service. Where possible, show children how to verify information to check its legitimacy before proceeding. Small actions, such as phoning the person who is the subject of a suspicious email, or checking content via an individual or company website or social media sites can make the difference. The greater the risk, the more effort we should expend to confirm whether the information presented is true or false.

### REPORT IT

As the sophistication of scams increases, the likelihood of being tricked by them also increases, especially when not paying attention or acting quickly. It is important that young people know how to report incidents as they happen. Show children how to report their concerns to the social media site, Action Fraud, banks, and other individuals or organisations linked or involved. If you are unsure of the most effective reporting channel, contact Action Fraud.

### Meet Our Expert

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