



IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ - WHATSAPP GROUPS

We understand that WhatsApp groups can be a valuable tool for parents to stay connected, share reminders, and support one another. However, we kindly ask that you be mindful when discussing school-related matters, particularly incidents involving children's behaviour.

As we have mentioned previously, we have become aware of situations where incidents between children have been discussed in parent groups, often without full context or accurate information. Such discussions can easily evolve into gossip, spread misinformation, and cause unnecessary concern.

They can also be very unfair to the children and families involved, as every situation has a broader context that may not be known outside of the school setting. Additionally, unkindness when discussing other people's children can be hurtful and damaging. Please remember that all children are unique and special to us, each with their own individual needs and circumstances. Please take a moment to consider how you would feel if it was your child being discussed in a negative manner when it is unjustified.

Unfortunately, the negative use of WhatsApp parent groups continues to be an issue despite our previous appeals. Please be assured that if your child is involved in any incident at school that requires your attention, we will contact you directly. If you have concerns or questions, we strongly encourage you to reach out to the school rather than relying on second-hand, often incorrect information. Our staff are always available to provide clarity, address any issues, and ensure that matters are handled appropriately. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

Waiting area

The new seating area, which was installed last summer at the front of the school, has become a wonderful space for families to wait before and after school. We're so pleased to see it being used so frequently! However, we've noticed that some children have been climbing on the fences, along the wall, and on the benches. To ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment, we kindly ask that you supervise your children while in the waiting area. Thank you!



Outstanding payments:
dinners, early birds,
trips, swimming

Please be aware that **all**
outstanding debts need to be
cleared by the end of March
as this is financial year end.

Many thanks.

Class 3 Assembly Friday

21st March 9.15am

Class 3 parents are warmly invited to come and watch the Class 3 assembly on Friday 21st March. The assembly will start at 9.15am in the hall.

If you have babies or pre-schoolers, they are very welcome to attend, all we ask is that you take them out if they are unsettled or making noise. **Please also note that we do not permit photographs/videos at class assemblies.** Hope you can come!

RED NOSE DAY

Red Nose Day 2025

On Friday 21st March, children are invited to come dressed for Red Nose Day in exchange for a donation to Comic Relief (participation is optional!). Children can come dressed in:

- A funny outfit or funny hairstyle
- Red clothes or Red Nose Day Merchandise
- Usual school uniform with red accessories/red noses etc

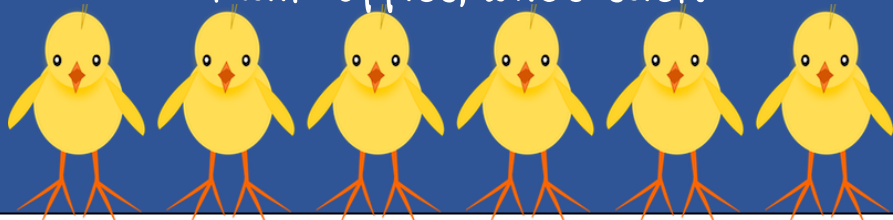
PARENT CONSULTATIONS w/c 24th March

Bookings have been open since Monday. Please sign up for an appointment to see your child's class teacher. You can also book an appointment to see **Mrs Stewart** for any questions around SEND, inclusion, wellbeing or general concerns. Telephone appointments with **Mr Jefferies** are also available for anything PE and Sport related.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE ANY AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS DURING THE WEEK OF PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Charlie Chicks are back!

In aid of the Garden House Hospice,
Charlie Chicks are now on sale at the
main office, £1.50 each



CLASS 3 CAKE DAY

FRIDAY 28TH MARCH

Dear Class 3 parents,

The PTA are holding a cake sale on 28th March to raise funds for school. This time it is the turn of Class 3 to each supply small cakes or biscuits to sell on the day. Please make sure that any tins, plates or containers are clearly named.

We would be very grateful if you could **donate 15 cakes for cake day**, to ensure that we have enough to go around & the children are not left disappointed. These cakes /biscuits can be either homemade or bought. You may want to plan some kitchen time to make or decorate the cakes with your child! **PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL CAKES MUST BE NUT-FREE.**

The cakes will be sold during the morning break to the whole of the school, any remaining cakes will be sold outside school at home time. We hope that you will be able to support us with this event, and we thank you in anticipation. Thank you from The PTA

SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM AFTER EASTER

After the Easter holidays we change to summer uniform:

white and blue **checked** dress (pale blue, not navy) *culottes style permitted, but not the short 'hot-pants'*

white socks

navy cardigan

sun hat/cap

OR

grey shorts

white shirt

school tie

navy V-neck jumper, **not sweatshirts**

grey socks

sun hat/cap



Closed toe sandals are permitted in summer. Shoes can be black or navy.

School fleeces revert to being outdoor wear only after Easter

During the summer months, we may have additional PE sessions as we prepare for sports day so it is important that your child has PE kit in school every day.

Summer PE kit is shorts/t-shirts, not long trousers/joggers.



**St Ippolyts CofE (VA)
Primary School**

**ARE YOUR
CHILDREN
SAFE ONLINE?**

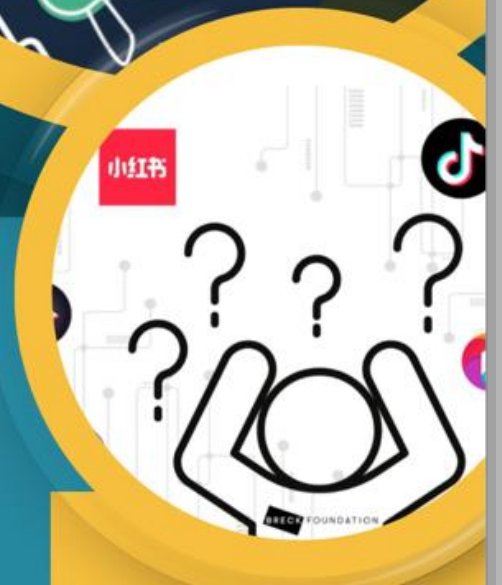
PARENT MEETING

Join us for a discussion on how we can work together to keep children safe online.

Breck Foundation is a charity founded by Lorin LaFave after the tragic loss of her 14 year old son Breck Bednar through internet grooming. Using Breck's story, Breck Foundation Speakers travel the UK educating the Digital Generation to keep safer online. Their aim is to provide parents with tools to make safe internet choices within their households, signpost useful tools to help if you have esafety worries and educate parents on the signs of online manipulation, grooming, fraud and exploitation.

We strongly hope that you will be able to attend this event. Year 5 and 6 children will also be attending an age-appropriate talk within school time on this day, to help reinforce the message of esafety.

This session is for adults only, however we will providing free childcare in the classrooms for all parents attending.



**Wednesday
4th**

JUNE 2025

3:30-4:30 pm

**At St
Ippolyts
School**

Please book

via **Arbor**

Bookings will open closer to the time, for now please save the date!

Assessment Week is Almost Over!

We're nearly at the end of Assessment Week, and everyone has been working so hard! It might have felt like a long week of tests and challenges but we should all be really proud of ourselves for giving it our best effort. Even though assessments can be tricky, they help us to see how much we've learned and how far we've come this year.

It's important to remember that these tests are just a way to show what we know – they don't define us! If something was difficult, that's okay because learning is all about improving. What really matters is that we've all tried our best and kept going, even when things felt tough.



With only a little bit left to go, now's the time to stay positive and keep pushing through. Soon the stress assessments will be left behind us, and we can look forward to a well-earned break and the fun activities ahead. So let's keep going, stay confident, and remember – we've got this!



Congratulations to the Y5 Handball team!

On Monday, a group of Y5 children competed in the SSFT Handball tournament. They showed determination and resilience through some tough matches, and as a result finished in first place! Well done!

GOOD LUCK!

The trampoline team are travelling to Derby to compete in the national schools' finals this weekend – good luck!

