

# The Welburn Weekly

## Ethos Statement

I understand the importance of thinking before I act.

## Letters Home

### Class News

#### Sycamore

We have all really enjoyed our residential in York. We have been learning all about the history and geography of York as well as having lots of fun together.

#### Beech

In DT we have started our learning about food. This will cover food safety and hygiene and also designing, making and tasting biscuits. In Science we are learning about plants and will be classifying them and dissecting them to learn about the different parts.

#### Oak

In Science, we have started our learning about animals. We will be looking at different groups of animals and how they grow. In Art we are learning about the artist Henri Matisse and making a collage.

### Term Dates for the Diary

More details will follow about individual events.

Please keep an eye on these dates for any updates during term time.

24th April - Football Malton (Oak)

30th April - National Child Measurement Programme (Reception/Y6)

1st May - Assembly with Reverend Douglas

1st May - Rounders and Cross Country Malton (Sycamore/Beech)

22nd May - Cricket/Rounders Malton (Beech)

23rd May - Intra School Cricket Tournament

24th May - Monk Park Farm (Oak)

27th - 31st May - Half Term

4th June - Class Photos

w/b 17th June - Community Week

18th June - Organ Workshop (Sycamore/Beech)

18th and 19th June - Taster Days Malton (Y6)

25th June - Malton Taster Day (Y5)

26th June - Transition morning

26th June - Multi Sports Malton (Oak)

w/b 1st July - Sports Week

2nd July - Transition morning (and lunch)

3rd July - Sports Day

9th July - Crucial Crew (Sycamore)

10th July - Robin Hoods Bay (Beech)

18th July - Leavers Assembly and Dalby Forest Trip

### Wraparound Care

We still have places available at Breakfast Club and After School Club.

If you would like to book your child into either club, please contact the office.

### Uniform Labelling

Please can parents/carers make sure that all uniform, including jumpers and coats is clearly labelled.

### Instagram

Don't forget to follow our new account on Instagram:

@welburncpschool

### Uniform

Our supplier of branded uniform is <https://school-shop.co.uk/>.

The PTA still have some pre-loved uniform for sale as well. If you are interested in any items, please contact the office.

### PE (new days)

Oak Wednesday

Beech Tuesday and Wednesday

Sycamore Tuesday and Friday

Please can all children have a change of shorts, T shirt and shoes and a separate bag for their shoes. As the weather can still be cold, they also need jogging bottoms and a long sleeved top.

### Menu week commencing 22nd April 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pizza, wedges, peas and sweetcorn. Muffin.	Mild chilli con carne, pasta, green beans, cauliflower and pitta. Fruit salad and ice-cream.	Sausage, Yorkshire pudding, mashed potatoes, carrots, cabbage and gravy. School Cake.	Chicken goujons, rice, mixed salad and wrap. Jam sponge and custard.	Fish Friday, chips, peas, sweetcorn and wholemeal bread. Iced Finger.

School meals are £3.00 per day. More information about free school meals is available here: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

## Sycamore Residential - York



## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# YOUTUBE

YouTube is a video-sharing social media platform that allows billions of people around the world to watch, share and upload their own videos with a vast range of content – including sport, entertainment, education and lots more. It's a superb space for people to consume content that they're interested in. As a result, this astronomically popular platform has had a huge social impact: influencing online culture on a global scale and creating new celebrities.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is flagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate material. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

### CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as messaging other users directly. Connecting with strangers online, of course, can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, to cyberbullying and even to encountering online predators.

### SUGGESTED CONTENT

YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but can also lead to binge-watching and the risk of screen addiction, especially if 'auto-play' is activated. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

### HIGH VISIBILITY

Content creators can also be put at risk – especially young ones who try to make their online presence as visible as possible. Creating and uploading content exposes children to potential harassment and toxicity from the comments section, along with the possibility of direct messaging from strangers. Videos posted publicly can be watched by anyone in the world.

### TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends, challenges and memes that are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might want to try them out. Most challenges tend to be safe, but many others may harm children through either watching or copying. The painful 'salt and ice challenge', which can cause injuries very quickly, is just one of many such examples.

### SNEAKY SCAMMERS

Popular YouTube channels regularly have scammers posing as a well-known influencer in the comments section, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and sometimes offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users are not who they claim to be.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate content (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence and sexual situations) to underage viewers. To prevent your child from chancing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that your child uses to access YouTube.



### TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows you to monitor what your child is watching, uploading and sharing with other users. It will also display their recently watched videos, searches and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives you an oversight of how your child is using sites like YouTube and helps you ensure they are only accessing appropriate content.



### CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos as 'private' or 'unlisted' – so they could be shared exclusively with family and friends, for example. Comments on videos can also be disabled and channels that your child is subscribed to can be hidden. If your child is only uploading videos that are protected as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.



### CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS

Influential content creators usually have other social media accounts which they encourage their fans to follow. Having an open discussion about this with your child makes it easier to find out how else they might be following a particular creator online. It also opens up avenues for you to check out that creator's other channels to see what type of content your child is being exposed to.



### MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them children. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course, and react to content differently. You may want to keep an eye on how your child interacts with content on YouTube – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand the types of videos they are interested in.



### LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases: users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch, for example. If you're not comfortable with your child purchasing content online, limit their access to your bank cards and online payment methods. Many parents have discovered to their cost that a child happily devouring a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!



### Meet Our Expert

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