



# Trull C of E VA Primary School

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## Oak Class News

Oak Class have been doing some amazing learning this half term!

Learning about the Stone Age has been fun and we have found out all about how tools, homes and life in general changed during those times. The class enjoyed STEM week and made rockets and also used Starburst sweets to show the changes that can happen during the rock cycle. Putting sweets into the microwave to make the lava needed for igneous rocks was especially exciting!

One of the best bits this half term has been the trip to Cheddar Caves. Everyone had a great time, despite it being rather chilly! They braved the depths of the caves, learnt about how fire and flint tools were made and spotted some very cute goats!

*I have come that they may have life,  
and have it to the full.  
John 10:10*



## Oak Class Assembly



Today, Oak Class should feel very proud of themselves for all taking part in our class assembly!



On Wednesday during Assembly, Ash Class received their Beginner's Bibles from Rev Andy Wadsworth.

KS1 were busy making Mother's Day Cards this week.  
They all had a great fun!



### Reception and KS1 Easter Hat Parade

This will take place in the school playground next Friday afternoon (weather dependent). Parents are invited to watch this at 2.45pm and collect their child/ren afterwards at their usual collection point.



## Spring Term – Important Dates

### April

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Castle in the Community Concert rehearsal 9.10am
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Castle in the Community Concert 6.30pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Hat Parade TSF Uniform sale School breaks up for Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	School reopens
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Y5 Residential Meeting at 6.00pm
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Bag to School Collection

### ATTENDANCE

The class with the best attendance this week is:

**Beech!**

### LUNCHTIME AWARD

The class who received the most lunchtime tokens for kindness, respect and good behaviour this week is:

**Oak!**

**Trull School Fundraisers**

Summer

**Preloved Uniform Sale**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

2:30pm  
School Playground or Lower Yew Class

Trull branded items £2  
Unbranded items £1  
Please bring cash

**All profits going to the TSF**  
Donations of good quality outgrown school clothes welcome.  
Please drop into the school reception.

Poster created and designed by Lily Temblett

We take child protection extremely seriously at our school. If you have a concern, you can speak to any of the school's designated and trained Child Protection officers: Miss Grammer, Mrs Cerullo, Mr Bottomley or Mrs Crudge. Alternatively, you can ring Childrens Social Care on: 0300 123 2224 or Email [childrens@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:childrens@somerset.gov.uk)

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

# ROBLOX



Roblox is one of the most popular video games among children. In 2020, the game's developers claimed that more than half of the USA's children had played it. As a 'sandbox' title, the game lets players create their own gaming experiences with Roblox Studio to build custom levels, which can then be shared online.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### ONLINE PLAY RISKS

Because Roblox connects random players across the world, it can put younger players into an environment with anonymous users who could use the platform for nefarious reasons. For example, some role-play games are used for online dates and mature role play, which could expose youngsters to inappropriate messages in the public chat box.

### ANONYMOUS PLAYERS

The anonymity of users can leave players vulnerable to bullying, harassment, and predatory behaviour. Without the right parental controls or monitoring, users can connect with each other via personal messages or friend requests, and it is very difficult to know who's behind a username in this vast online world.

### MATURE CONTENT

Content is difficult to moderate throughout Roblox, due to the number of games available. This is particularly notable on smaller games and experiences, but in summary, some of the games and experiences offered on the platform contain age-inappropriate content that could easily be seen by young players.

### RISK OF ADDICTION

Roblox games can feature rewarding or satisfying mechanics that keep players coming back – or persuade them to stay logged-in for much longer. Like most games, they focus on interactivity, with constant rewards via in-game unlocks and currencies, which can sometimes lead to an addictive need to remain online for long periods of time.

### IN-GAME SPENDING

The majority of games within Roblox have extensive monetisation options, usually through season passes or microtransactions. Purchases can range in value from a few pennies up to much larger sums of money. While some games offer a lot of content via purchases, others can offer very little for real world money, causing younger players to end up out of pocket.

### SCAMS

Many of the games on Roblox feature collectible items, pets, or characters. These objects, while digital, are worth a lot of real money on certain online markets. Scammers will attempt to trade with younger users in the hopes of getting rare items that can be sold for real money, manipulating the child into handing them over, usually via misleading information.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### MONITOR THE CONTENT

While Roblox does implement plenty of moderation tools and parental controls, it's up to parents and guardians to monitor the types of games a child or impressionable player is experiencing. If a youngster wants to play Roblox, be sure to check out which specific games they want to play within it, and get a good idea of their content.

### PLAY TOGETHER

Consider playing Roblox with the children in your care. There are few more effective ways to see how monetisation works, gauge whether the game could lead to addictive behaviours, or even witness how interaction between players works, than sitting down and trying the game for yourself. This should help you figure out whether it's suitable for particular children.

### TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOOLS

Use the parental controls within the game itself and teach youngsters how to report and block other players. Knowing the powers within their reach will make Roblox a safer, happier experience. You can set age ranges for who's allowed to contact you, close public chat boxes, block spending, and even make your Roblox profile completely private. All these options are helpful in cutting off bad actors from engaging with children.

### TEACH ONLINE BEHAVIOURS

Have an open conversation about the risks of online play and how to spend money wisely. By being honest and giving tips on how a younger user can protect themselves, you can empower them to not only take care of themselves, but others too. Any user can be reported to Roblox moderators by other players for behaving inappropriately. With this knowledge, younger players can be aware of what to look for and help prevent it.

### Meet Our Expert

Dan Lipscombe is a videogame journalist and author of over 20 books on gaming, including books on Minecraft, Fortnite, Roblox, and more. For 15 years he has been writing about his passion for gaming. When he's not playing games, he's talking about them at GAMINGBible.





# Join the TSG Easter Competition!



- £1 entry fee (via Scopay)
- Your child's egg template will come home in their book bag when entry fee has been paid
- Decorate your egg in materials of your choice e.g. felt tips, paint, collage, ribbon etc
- Bring your egg into the school office by Thursday 3rd April. Winners will be chosen and awarded an Easter egg on Friday 4th April



TRULL MEMORIAL HALL

# 60th Anniversary Party

29th March 2025  
6pm

**FREE ENTRY**

MUSIC, DANCING & BAR (CARD & CASH)  
RAFFLE

Fancy dress encouraged from 1960s, or following eras!

PosterMyWall.com



## MULTI-SPORT ACTIVITY CAMP

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt!

### DODGEBALL

**EASTER HOLIDAYS**  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
(Please note this is the second week of the Easter break)

**08:30 – 16:00**

**£25 per day**  
Trull C of E VA Primary School  
Head Coach: Mrs. Mitchell  
Assistant Coach: Mrs. Andrews

\* Max 24 children per day, minimum of 15 for club to run.

OPEN TO CURRENT YEAR 3-YEAR 6 CHILDREN

**I AM TRYING TO RAISE MONEY TO BUY A TABLE TENNIS TABLE FOR YEAR 5 AND 6 TO USE. YEAR 4 AND 5 ARE DOING SPONSORED ACTIVITIES OVER THE EASTER HOLIDAYS. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IN PLEASE COLLECT A SPONSORSHIP FORM FROM THE OFFICE!**



**THANK YOU!  
ATTI LANGHAM  
WILLOW CLASS**



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**STAGE COACH**  
TAUNTON

**ENROL TODAY**

**EASTER MAD ON MUSICALS**

**EASTER WORKSHOP**

7th - 9th April for 5-18 year olds  
at Parkfield Primary School



Scan the QR code or visit [www.stagecoach.co.uk/taunton](http://www.stagecoach.co.uk/taunton) to enrol.

**FOR KIDS WHO LOVE TO ACT, SING & DANCE**



**Family Holiday Activities**  
at Wells Cathedral

**Easter Excitement**

**7, 9, and 11 April 2025**

Get ready to celebrate the joy of Easter with our seasonal trail, and crafts to make and take home!

**Monday 7: Cross Creations**  
Collect beads on our Easter crosses trail and make a necklace or keyring

**Wednesday 9: Glorious Gardens**  
Discover the Easter story as you follow our Cathedral map, then make an Easter garden

**Friday 11: Card Crafts**  
Follow our Easter story trail and make a card or decoration

**FREE with adult entry.**  
No need to book – simply drop in on the day!

**Sessions in the Education Room / Wells Cathedral**  
10.30am-3.30pm

There is no charge for children. Standard adult admission tickets include re-entry for 12 months from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Family Holiday Activities beyond your initial visit. Only assistance dogs are allowed at this activity.

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