



# Trull C of E VA Primary School

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## Willow Class News

Wow - what a busy half term so far in Willow Class! 😊

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

In mathematics we have been exploring place value within 1,000,000! We have enjoyed using the picture book, 'Lights on Cotton Rock' to inspire our writing in English. The Year 5's have just started planning their own stories. Our science lessons have been really interesting as we are learning about Earth and Space. In our most recent science lesson, we started to learn about how we get night and day. We have enjoyed learning about everything in our solar system. If you would like to explore Space too, we would recommend this NASA website:

<https://eyes.nasa.gov/apps/solar-system/#/home>

In Design & Technology, we have been learning about cams in automaton toys. We have been learning about different shaped cams and exploring the movements they create. Very soon, we will start making our own space themed toys, for which we have brought in shoeboxes to use as our frames. In geography we have been learning how to read a map using four-figure grid references and we have been lucky to have Forest School with Miss Guildford on a Friday afternoon which has allowed us to put our map reading skills to the test!



## Rowan Class Museum Trip

Rowan Class had a fantastic time at the museum learning all about the Roman life in Somerset. We explored and handled real and replica Roman artefacts to learn about how different people lived and worked. The children asked lots of relevant questions and came up with lots of ideas for how the artefacts might have been used.

The Museum staff and visitors were really impressed with how the children interacted with all the learning and how respectful they were of the other people there.

We had an excellent day!



## Rowan Class Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service was brilliantly performed by Rowan Class on Wednesday.

The message was 'When we sow kindness, we reap joy!'

They confidently and clearly said their parts, sang and acted out the story of The Little Red Hen, and gave out hymn sheets. A comic performance of Chick, Chick, Chicken was especially for our new Ash Class children who were visiting a church assembly for the first time, guided by the lovely Year 6 students. And there was a harvest version performed by Rowan Class of Pharrell Wiliam's 'Happy'! Also, our favourite harvest hymns.

Thank you for all your kind and generous donations to The Taunton Foodbank.

And thank you to all of you in our community who grow, deliver, sell and cook food for us all to enjoy!



A big thank you for all your kind donations to the Food Bank, they were absolutely delighted as it was everything they were asking for and in total it weighed 105.6kg!!



In Forest Church this week we focussed on resilience which is part of our school vision.

We discussed how we can be strong and bounce back like nature does.

We spent time building 'resilient shelters'.

Here is our prayer this week...

*Thank you God, for making us strong like the trees,*

*brave like the animals and full of life like the plants.*

*Help us bend, grow and never give up.*



## Year 6 Cross Country



## **Autumn Term – Important Dates**

### **October**

Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability – Y6 Group 1
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability – Y6 Group 1
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Phonics Meeting 6.00pm
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability – Y6 Group 2
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability – Y6 Group 2
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccines Full Board of Governors Meeting
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bag2School Collection
Mon 20 <sup>h</sup>	Bikeability – Y6 Group 3
Tues 21 <sup>ST</sup>	Bikeability – Y6 Group 3
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parents Evening
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	TSF Non-School uniform – bring chocolate! Parents Evening
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	INSET – school closed
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> –Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>	HALF-TERM

### **November**

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	School re-opens
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#### **LUNCHTIME AWARD**

The classes who received the most lunchtime tokens for kindness, respect and good behaviour this week –

**Ash and Oak Class!**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

The class with the best attendance this week are:

**Elm Class!**

*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)*

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](http://nationalcollege.com).

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ONLINE SLANG

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Slang moves fast – and for many young people, it’s not just how they talk, but how they share their identity and feelings. Learning key terms helps adults connect and show understanding, even if the lingo seems baffling at first.

### GENERATIONAL MISCOMMUNICATION

Words like ‘rizz’ or ‘slaps’ can be misunderstood by adults, leading to awkward moments or a breakdown in trust. These phrases often carry subtle social meanings among young people.

### RAPIDLY SHIFTING MEANINGS

Slang changes quickly. A term like ‘bop’ might sound innocent one week and be repurposed the next. This makes it easy for adults to fall behind and for children to misstep.

### SHIELDING BULLYING OR EXCLUSION

Inside jokes and trending terms like ‘simp’ or ‘NPC’ can be used to mock or exclude others. What looks like harmless fun might actually reinforce social divisions or bullying.

### PERFORMING FOR THE ALGORITHM

Slang often reflects what’s popular on platforms like TikTok. Young users might exaggerate or act out for likes, creating online personas that don’t match their real selves.

### CONTENT MODERATION WITH CODED SPEECH

To avoid content filters, young people sometimes use slang or emojis to talk about serious topics – for example, saying ‘unalive’ instead of other death-related terms. This makes harmful content harder to spot.

### LONG-TERM DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

A slang-filled post might seem funny now but could resurface years later during job checks or university applications – possibly out of context, but still damaging.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### KEEP UP, DON'T CATCH UP

Follow youth culture pages or ask your child about new slang. Staying informed shows that you’re engaged and open to understanding their world.

### FOCUS ON CONNECTION OVER CONTROL

Being someone your child can talk to is more valuable than using strict filters or monitoring apps. Openness builds trust.

### ASK, DON'T INTERROGATE

Use open questions to invite conversation. You’re not quizzing them – just trying to learn more about their online lives.

### ENCOURAGE CRITICAL MEDIA LITERACY

Talk about where slang comes from, how it spreads, and how it can impact others. This helps young people use language more thoughtfully.

### ONLINE SLANG CHEAT SHEET -

The following slang terms are common examples – please be aware this isn’t an exhaustive list and both meaning and prevalence can change swiftly.

#### COMMON SLANG:

- **Sigma** – Independent, self-reliant (often male) mindset; proud outsider status. Often celebrated in motivational memes.
- **Skibidi** – Nonsense word from the viral ‘Skibidi Toilet’ meme; expresses chaos or fun. Usually harmless but pervasive.
- **Chat** – The collective audience or group of viewers (e.g. on a livestream). Used when addressing followers directly.
- **Lock in** – To focus, commit or get serious (e.g. before gaming or sports). Positive encouragement to concentrate.
- **Cooking** – Doing something exceptionally well or gaining momentum. Opposite of ‘cooked’.
- **Rizz** – Charisma or flirting ability (short for charisma). Can praise social confidence.
- **Aura or aura farming** – One’s perceived ‘energy’ or vibe; ‘farming’ means manufacturing clout.

#### POTENTIALLY CONCERNING SLANG

- **Bop** – An adult content creator (e.g. OnlyFans). Indicates exposure to 18+ material.
- **Gyat or gyatt** – Sexualised exclamation about someone’s backside. Objectifies appearance.
- **Tralalero tralala / bombardino crocodilo / tung tung tung sahur** – Spammy references to AI-generated creatures with ‘Italian-sounding’ names. Can clog chats, derail discussion, and harass others.
- **Glazing** – Overpraising or obsessively defending a streamer or celebrity.
- **Crash out** – To lose control, give up or have a meltdown; sometimes hints at self-harm.
- **Cooked** – Ruined, exhausted or in serious trouble; sometimes mental health-related.
- **Unalive** – Euphemism for death or suicide; used to avoid content filters.
- **NPC** – Used to suggest someone is lacking independent thoughts or is repetitive and predictable.

### Meet Our Expert

Keith Broni is a globally renowned emoji expert and the Editor in Chief of [emojipedia.org](http://emojipedia.org), the world’s number one emoji resource. He has an MSc in Business Psychology from University College London and an MBA from Quantic School of Business and Technology.



Doll's Clothes Donations

Ash Class are looking for donations of doll's clothes. If you have any that you would like to donate, Ash Class would be very grateful!



Mrs Davenport teaches French and Spanish. She is looking to start up a French Group for new reception children which will begin after half-term.

If your child is interested in learning French, please contact Mrs Davenport at: [alysondavenport@hotmail.com](mailto:alysondavenport@hotmail.com)



**25/26 key dates**

Monday 17th October Bag2school Collection

Thursday 23rd Oct Non school uniform - bring a chocolate donation for the Chocolate tombola at the Christmas Fair

Thursday 23rd Oct Deadline to return children's Christmas card design forms (these will be sent home in book bags around a week before)

Monday 3rd November TSF Meeting 7.30pm at the Winchester Arms

Friday 7th Nov Bingo Night (Adults only) doors open 7pm eyes down 7.30pm the school hall (ticket details to follow)

Monday 24th to Thursday 27th November Donations of Jolly Jars and Teddies for the Christmas fair to the office

Friday 28th November Non school uniform - bring a bottle donation for the bottle tombola at the Christmas Fair

Friday 28th November 3pm to 5pm Christmas Fair

November Christmas Card ordering (Dates to be confirmed)

Monday 12th January TSF Meeting 7.30pm at the Winchester Arms

Friday 13th February School Disco More Details to follow

Monday 23rd February TSF Meeting 7.30pm at the Winchester Arms

Monday 27th April TSF Meeting 7.30pm at the Winchester Arms

Monday 1st June TSF Meeting 7.30pm at the Winchester Arms

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July Party in the Park

Friday 17th July School Disco More details to follow



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# BINGO NIGHT

Friday 7th  
November

Doors open 7pm, eyes down 730pm

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