



Templars Primary School Newsletter

Good Morning,

Fleeces for cold weather

As part of our risk assessment for COVID we need to keep the school well-ventilated and this can often mean it is cold and draughty. We have a limited number of brand new school fleeces available for children who are in receipt of pupil premium funding. If you would like one for your child please contact the school office.

If you do not get pupil premium funding for your child but are struggling with the cost of warm school uniform please contact the school office in confidence as, if numbers allow, we may be able to support you a free fleece too. They are available in sizes 7 - 8 years, 9 - 10 years and 11-13 years.

Food hampers

We have a small number of food hampers available for families who are struggling with food and finances after the Christmas break. Please contact the office in confidence if you would like a food parcel.

Parking

I feel a bit like a stuck record having to address parking yet again. However, this week we have been sent photographic evidence from a neighbour on Templars Avenue of driveways are being obstructed by our parents. Our neighbours are important to us and are part of our school community so we need to be considerate. The Lime Tree car park has enough spaces for lots of parking so please use it if there is no kerbside space on Templars Avenue rather than blocking a driveway.

Thank you,
Mrs Biddell

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Claire McLean
@MissMcLean75

@TemplarsPrimary We are recycling crisp packets at school. Please collect them at home & save them from lunch, then place them in the box in the hall. For more information: [terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades...](https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades...) Let's do one more thing to help save the planet! #ecowarriors



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Recycle all crisp packets through this programme



Your collection
leader is...

Miss McLean





This week in Tweets



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Mrs King @ReceptionRK · Jan 12

We have been learning about Italy this week so we decided to try some Italian food. We have been trying pasta and sauce, tomorrow we might try some Italian sweets. @TemplarsPrimary

Mr McLaren @MrMcLaren7

Some very excited (or terrified?!) faces from Year 3 as I walked through the hall this morning... What a ssssssssuper experience! @TemplarsPrimary @Miss_Gray

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Miss Stuart @Miss_KStuart · Jan 7

6S are having a fabulous time in the gym this afternoon! @TemplarsPrimary @MissMcLean75

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Claire McLean @MissMcLean75 · Jan 11

Warming up for the Dodgeball final! C'mon Team Templars @SGOCoventryWest @TemplarsPrimary

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Mrs King @ReceptionRK · Jan 12

In RK we have been trying to find out which of Mrs King's vegetables is the heaviest. We have been weighing them using different scales. @TemplarsPrimary

This is only a snapshot of tweets. Follow us-



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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

"Inappropriate" means different things to different people. What's acceptable for one age group, for example, may be unsuitable for a slightly younger audience. Online, young people can choose upon inappropriate content in various ways – from pop-up ads to TikTok videos. The increasingly young age at which children become active in the digital world heightens the risk of them innocently running into something that they find upsetting or frightening. Trusted adults need to be able to help children be aware of what to do if they're exposed to age-inappropriate content.



SOCIAL MEDIA

Age-inappropriate content is easily accessible through many social media platforms. TikTok, for instance, is hugely popular with young people but is regularly best known for clips featuring sexualised dancing or profanity. Some social media users also express hate speech or promote eating disorders and self-harm, which could cause lasting damage to a child's emotional and mental health.

GAMING

Gaming is an enjoyable source of entertainment, but more popular titles can expose children to inappropriate material such as violence, horror, gambling or sexualised content. Many games unsuitable for their age rates normalising to children what they are seeing. Some games also include in-game chat, where other (usually adult) online players often use language that you probably wouldn't want your child to hear or repeat.

STREAMING

The range of video streaming services available online means that users can find almost anything they want to watch. In addition, children are therefore at risk of viewing TV shows and movies which contain nudity, drug and alcohol abuse, explicit language and extreme violence. Unfortunately, these streaming platforms can't always determine that it's not an adult who's watching.

ADVERTS

Online adverts frequently include age-inappropriate content, usually gambling and adult or partial nudity, although adverts for alcohol or cigarettes are also common. Some search engines also feature adverts that are responsible for your search history, so if you've recently looked up a new phone model, shopped for lingerie or ordered alcohol online, then the ads appearing on a screen could reflect this the next time your child borrows your device.

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TALK IT THROUGH

Embarrassment or fear of getting into trouble can make it difficult for children to talk openly about age-inappropriate content they've watched. Remind your child they can always come to you if they're troubled by something they've seen online, without worrying about consequences. Before offering advice, discuss what they saw, how they felt and how they came to find the content in question.

CONNECT, DON'T CORRECT

If your child's been particularly distressed by exposure to content that wasn't suitable for their age, it's important to offer guidance to prevent them from repeating the same mistake – but it's equally vital to help them deal with the emotions that the situation has raised. You could talk them about any similar experiences you might have had of their age, and how you dealt with it.

BLOCK, REPORT, CONTROL

After discussing the problem, you and your child can take action together. This could include blocking any inappropriate sites and reporting any content which violates a platform's rules. To further safeguard your child online, set up parental controls on internet-enabled devices that they use. This will significantly reduce the chances of your child being exposed to age-inappropriate content in future.

GET SPECIALIST HELP

Age-inappropriate content can potentially have a negative impact on a child's mental health, which is sometimes displayed through changes in their behaviour. If the problem becomes more severe, you might consider reaching out to a mental health professional or an expert in this field who can provide you and your child with the proper support.

STAY CALM

Even though it is obviously difficult to stay rational in a situation where your child has been put at risk, it's essential to think before you react. Your child may not have realised the level of you about watching inappropriate content for fear of the consequences, so being calm and supportive will reinforce the notion that it would be easy to talk to you about similar issues in the future.

Meet Our Expert

Carlyle Anderson is registered to speak with the Health Professionals Council of South Africa, and operates a private practice offering counselling to children, teenagers and families. She specialises in creating awareness and educating the community on the mental health pressures of today's world. For more resources and techniques to understand and cope better.

