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Mrs Fay Green BA QTS (Hons) NPQH Pennaeth/HeadteacherWednesday 21st January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Digital technology is a vital part of our children's learning at Wat's Dyke; however, it also brings risks that we must manage together. I am writing to remind you of the essential steps needed to protect our child from online dangers.

Key Concerns:

- Age Restrictions: Most social media platforms (e.g., WhatsApp, TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat) have a minimum age of 13. We strongly discourage primary-aged children from using these apps.
- Emerging Tech: New risks, including AI-generated 'deepfake' content and persuasive design (like infinite scroll), are increasingly prevalent.
- Unsupervised Access: Risks such as grooming, cyberbullying, and exposure to inappropriate content often occur outside of school hours on personal devices.

How You Can Help:

1. Active Supervision: Keep devices in shared family areas and talk regularly about what your child is doing online.
2. Set Parental Controls: Use filters on home Wi-Fi and individual devices to block unsuitable content.
3. Open Dialogue: Ensure your child knows they can come to you—or a 'trusted adult'—if they see anything that upsets them.

Trusted Online Resources:

- Hwb Keeping Safe Online: The Welsh Government's official digital platform, which features guides on apps, games, and the latest trends for 2026.
- [Children's Commissioner for Wales](#): Provides specific advice on children's rights in the digital world.
- NSPCC Online Safety: Offers practical toolkits for setting up parental controls and discussing difficult topics.

If you have any concerns, please contact myself, the school's Designated Safeguarding Person (DSP), Mrs Vanessa Roberts, our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Person (DDSP) or your child's class teacher.

By working together, we can ensure our children enjoy the benefits of the internet safely.

Kind regards,

Fay Green,
Headteacher.

Diary Dates (Dates added/date changes in bold)

Make the Rules Day Friday 13th February (More details to follow)

PTFA Disco Thursday 12th February (More details to follow)

(School closes for half term: Friday 13th February)

School re-opens: Monday 23rd February

Small Steps Parents Evening Reviews Week w/b Monday 2nd March

Scholastic Book Fair w/b Monday 2nd March

World Book Day Thursday 5th March

Whole School Eisteddfod Friday 13th March
Spring Term Parents Evenings Tuesday 17th March 2026 and Thursday 19th March
Comic Relief Friday 20th March
Mother's and Special Others Event Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th March
School closes for the Easter Holidays: Friday 27th March
Inset Day: Monday 13th April (School closed)
School re-opens for the summer term: Tuesday 14th April

Looking Further Ahead

Sponsored Event Week w/b Monday 11th May
Sports Day Wednesday 13th May 2026 (Reserve date 20/05/26)
Year 6 Residential to Llangranog Monday 18th May – Wednesday 20th May
School closes for half term: Friday 22nd May
School re-opens: Monday 1st June
Parent's Picnic (date to follow)
Year 5 Residential to Nant BH Wednesday 17th – Friday 19th June
Common transfer day Thursday 25th June
Summer Fayre Thursday 2nd July
Year 6 Leavers Assembly Tuesday 14th July
School closes for the summer holidays: Friday 17th July

Term dates:

Monday 5 January - Friday 13 February
Monday 23 February - Fri 27 March
Monday 13 April - Friday 22 May
Monday 1 June - Monday 20 July

Training Days 2025/26:

Monday 13th April
Monday 20th July