

Friday 7th February 2025



# Newsletter



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Dear Pupils, Parents, Carers and Friends,



**Place2Be's CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**  
 3-9 FEB 2025  
**Connect**



On Tuesday we will be having a special focus on safer internet use to remind children how to keep themselves safe online. In school all use is monitored. How do you keep your child safe when they are at home? With advances in AI, how can you or they be certain who they are talking to?

**Be active**



**Go outside**



**SMART**

- S Stay Safe**  
Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.
- M Don't Meet Up**  
Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.
- A Accepting Files**  
Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.
- R Reliable?**  
Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?
- T Tell Someone**  
Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!

**Half Term Holiday Club**

We will be running a Half Term Holiday Club over the break from Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February, from 8am to 5pm, £15 per day per child.

Places must be booked and are subject to availability. Please book at the Office or speak to out of school care staff.

*\*\*We finish on Friday 14th February and return to school on Monday 24th February at 8.30am.\*\**

**Lost Property**

We have a growing collection of Lost Property. We do our best every day to return found items, but unfortunately not all items are clearly marked with a name. We will put the lost property out after school next week for people to claim.

*Please remember to write your child's name on all their items of clothing.*

**After School Clubs**

- Breakfast Club: 7.45am - 8.45am £2 including breakfast
- Staylate: 3 - 5.30pm £5 including a snack

After School Clubs are from 3-4pm, cost £2 per session (unless indicated otherwise) and must be booked and paid for in advance (before 12pm on the day please).

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- Activities - Cookery - Football (Y5/6)	- Activities - Multi-sports (Y1/2) - Martial Arts - Netball	- Activities - Computers - Girls' football (KS2) - Tennis (Y2+) - Eritrean Club  4.15pm AC Academy (finishes at 5.30pm)	- Activities - Football/ Multi-sports (Y3/4) - Musical Theatre - Mini Vinnies	- Activities - Gymnastics/ acro dance - Hockey

This half term our pupils are learning to be **grateful** for their own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for the blessings of each day; and **generous** with their gifts, now and in the future.



**Our value of the month for February is kindness.**



Looking forward...

Monday 10th February	Netball v OLA (H)
Tuesday 11th February	<b>Safer Internet Day</b> Netball v Christ the King (H)
Friday 14th February	Last day of half term <b>St Valentine's Day!</b>
Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February	Half Term Holiday Club open, £13 per day per child
Monday 24th February	8.30am All children return to school 6pm Enrolment Meeting for First Holy Communion Preparation - School Hall



Have a lovely weekend!

Pauline MacDonald  
Head Teacher



Another busy week at SMSB!



Keep up by following @StMaryStBen on X/Twitter!