

# THE LISCARD BULLETIN

LISCARD PRIMARY, WITHENS LANE, WALLASEY, CH45 7NQ



## Business Enterprise!

We have been made aware of a number of Year 5 children who have been designing, making and selling friendship bracelets. The children concerned have been taking orders and expecting payment. (We know this is how financial transactions do happen in the adult world.) The problem has arisen when children do not have the money to pay for the goods ordered. This situation has resulted in disagreements! Whilst appreciation that we may have the next 'Dragon' in our school we would request that the ordering and selling of bracelets stops. We would appreciate your support.



## Roots of Empathy Programme

This is the second year we have run the Roots of Empathy programme. Liscard is one of two Wirral primary schools chosen to deliver this project. The programme teaches the Year 5 children about baby development, as well as how tricky parenting is. This week the theme was 'Caring & Preparing'. The children are learning a lot from baby Oscar. Thank you to his mum for bringing him to Liscard.



## Charlotte Brightside Activities



Please see below the activities that are taking place at Charlotte Brightside. The youth club takes place on a Monday night and runs from 6pm - 8pm. There is no cost and they provide food, drink and activities. Hannah and Toni, who run the activities, are both fully trained in mental health and wellbeing for children and young people.

**Upcoming Events**  
Youth Club 6-8PM

JAN 22 Creative Gem making	JAN 29 Create your own canvas	FEB 05 Self care workshop
FEB 12 Valentines special session Arts and craft, games and more!!	FEB 19 DISCO!!!	FEB 26 Play in a day!!
MARCH 4 Lazer Quest	MARCH 18 Music and sensory session Therapy Dogs	MARCH 25 Easter Games Prizes to be won!!

Tuck Shop Open 7-7:30pm

## Parent Workshops

Sandi, the school's Mental Health Support team practitioner, will be running 2x parental workshops in school around developing your child's positive well-being through supporting children's anxieties and managing sleep difficulties. The session will run from 10am-12pm. Session 1 will take place on Monday 29th Jan with Session 2 on Monday 5th Feb. Please pop into Reception to book a place.

## Autumn 2023 - Housepoints Winner

The winning house for Autumn term was....

Air	7399
Earth	7553
Water	8863
Fire	8002

Congratulations to all children in WATER

The children worked really hard last term. They showed such kindness towards others. As a result lots of housepoints were awarded. Congratulations to Water who collected an amazing 8863 housepoints.

Engage - Enrich - Empower



# Fabulous Learning Experiences at Liscard

## Foundation 2



Foundation 2 children have been exploring joins. They used old junk and recycled materials to plan, design and make models. They looked carefully at the different ways to join materials together. The children investigated ice. The animals were trapped in ice! They thought about the best ways to free the animals.

## Year 1



Year 1 children have used the VR headsets to view interesting information about London.

Due to the wind and rain P.E was inside this week. The children were kept moving! They enjoyed looking at moving in different ways.

## Year 2



The children walked down to Hebron Hall to listen to Rich Dodd talking about the importance of stories. He spoke to the children about story telling, explaining that people hold on to stories with meaning and importance. The children thought about their favourite stories.

The children have been learning about the parables of Jesus in RE. Jesus told stories to deliver a moral message. He told stories in such a way that people of the time could identify with the themes.

## Year 3



The children have been learning to tell the time in maths. They worked hard trying to identify the minute and hour hand.



## ATTENDANCE AWARDS

**6KM 99.2%**  
**1RD 99.2%**  
**FAS 94.8%**

Let's see which classes have the highest attendance this week!



## WALL OF RECOGNITION

Well done to the following children who have consistently followed the school rules of being kind, working hard and never giving up.

**F1 LYRA**  
**F2 LAYLA**  
**Y1 OBI**  
**Y2 GEORGE**  
**Y3 ANNA**  
**Y4 OLIVER**  
**Y5 INDYA**  
**Y6 MAISIE**



## Attendance






Well done to Miss Day's class who were the winners of the attendance trophy for Key Stage 1 for the second week running. Congratulations to Mrs Keast's and Mrs Murray's class who were the winners of the attendance trophy for Key Stage 2. Miss Stanley's class had the highest attendance across Foundation 2. The overall attendance improved this week to 94.2% which is broadly in line with the national average. There were fifteen classes that had attendance above the national average. Fifteen classes improved attendance from the previous week. Please make sure your children attend Liscard every school day.



## Every Day Counts



## School Lunches

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><b>Homemade Pizza</b> Choose from cheese &amp; tomato or pepperoni served with corn on the cob and pasta salad</p> 	 <p><b>Chicken Chow Mein</b> Choose from chicken breast or Quorn pieces fried with garlic, onions and peppers in a soy sauce served on a bed of noodles and green beans</p>	<p><b>Roast Dinner</b> Choose from either home roasted meat of the week or a Quorn fillet served with roast potatoes, carrots, cauliflower, Yorkshire pudding and gravy</p> 	 <p><b>Spaggetti Bolognese</b> Choose from fresh minced beef or Vegimince cooked with onions, garlic, tomatoes and herbs, served on a bed of pasta and broccoli</p>	<p><b>Fish &amp; Chips</b> Choose from either cod fillet fish fingers, battered cod fillet or Quorn nuggets baked in the oven and served with chips and peas or baked beans</p> 
<p><i>Jacket Potatoes are also available daily as a hot alternative</i></p> <p><i>or</i></p> <p><b>Delish Bar - Available Everyday</b> A selection of sandwiches, served on sliced bread, wraps and assorted batch with a choice filling will be available daily - ham, cheese, tuna and finally finish with a choice of salad - carrot sticks, cucumber, cherry tomatoes, iceberg lettuce, sweetcorn, coleslaw, and peppers.</p> <p><b>Dessert</b> A selection of homemade desserts will be available every day as well as fresh fruit, fruit salad, Yogurts and Cheese and Crackers</p> <p><b>Drink</b> A selection of drinks will be available daily</p>				

## National Online Safety

The latest guide from the National Online Safety below provides information about a free social networking and dating site for teenagers. Please note the age restrictions.

## Diary Dates

**January 29th - Feb 2nd**  
**Feb 5th - 9th**

Year 5 & 6 Bikeability  
Children's Mental Health Week

**February 5th**

Choir - Young Voices Concert

**February 12th - 15th**  
**February 14th**

Parent/Carer Meetings  
Year 4 & 5 Theatre trip to see Shrek the musical

**February 15th**

**School closes for half term**

**February 16th**

**INSET Day**



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# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about MYLOL

AGE RESTRICTION  
13-19

MyLOL is a free social networking and dating site aimed at teens. Profiles can publicly display users' images and information, including sexual orientation and personal interests. The service bills itself as "the number one teen dating website in the world", claiming to have more than a million users globally. Despite its popularity, the MyLOL app is no longer available from Google Play or the App Store, although the site is still active. In some countries, police forces and schools have previously warned parents about "sinister predators" and "inappropriate activities" on the site.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### FLIMSY AGE GATES

Although MyLOL states it is exclusively aimed at users aged between 13 and 19, there is no credible age verification system to prevent a younger child – or an older adult – from signing up to the platform. Coupled with the fact that it's impossible to establish a user's true identity on MyLOL, this raises a serious concern that the site could be used for grooming.

### AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

MyLOL maintains that it monitors all uploaded images for nudity or sexual content. It also claims to be able to detect suspicious keywords. However, there have been numerous reports of explicit content being found on the platform, with users often posting provocative, semi-nude pictures of themselves and engaging in flirty or sexually explicit conversation.

### POTENTIAL CYBER-BULLYING

MyLOL lets users 'vote' on other people based solely on their appearance, much in the same vein as the now-defunct site Hot or Not. This feature could easily lead to distress and bullying, especially if a young person's profile pics receive an unfavourable response. Various reviews of MyLOL have noted that bullying frequently becomes an issue in the platform's chat groups and private messages.

### IN-APP SPENDING

MyLOL is free to join and use, but it also offers paid-for memberships. Users who have paid money get their profile promoted at the top of the site and in search results. They can also earn additional credits for increased engagement with the platform – such as sharing, replying to messages and voting. At the time of writing, the monthly membership fee was \$9.95 (just under £8).

### DATA COLLECTION

According to its privacy policy, MyLOL collects user data including email addresses, contact details and interests. While the company says it is committed to protecting users' privacy, the small print states that information may be shared externally. MyLOL claims to follow procedures to keep data secure, but does not specify what these procedures are, or whether such information is encrypted.

### CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

MyLOL makes it easy to connect with strangers. In fact, the site's rewards feature encourages users to send private messages to people they don't know. There have been several media stories of adults posing as teens on MyLOL to connect with minors, which could lead to extremely dangerous situations, such as a young person meeting up with someone who has been posting under a false identity.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### DISCUSS ONLINE DATING

It's vital to talk to your child about the possible dangers of platforms like MyLOL – particularly the threat of online predators. Remind them of the risks of sharing intimate images and information with strangers and emphasise that most people don't realise they're being 'catfished' until it's too late – it really isn't wise for a young person to meet up with someone they've only spoken to online.

### RESTRICT IN-APP SPENDING

If your child has access to a bank card or other payment method, they may be enticed into signing up for MyLOL's premium features. Having their profile boosted and receiving more attention could be especially tempting if their friends also use the site. You could consider altering their device's settings to disable internet purchases, or at the very least keeping an eye on their online spending.

### EXPLAIN PRIVACY RISKS

Before your child begins using a service such as MyLOL, it's important that they understand the potential pitfalls of giving out their personal data on this type of platform. Explain to them, for example, that they shouldn't divulge any personally identifying information to people who they don't know, as scammers can be quite convincing when attempting to steal someone's identity.

### SET UP LOCATION ALERTS

If you're worried that your child may be planning to meet up with someone they've met on MyLOL, you could consider utilising GPS or WiFi location tracking technology to follow their whereabouts in real time. You can even set up a virtual boundary or 'fence' and opt to receive an alert to your phone if your child enters or exits a specified area.

## Meet Our Expert

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