

# GISBURN ROAD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

Together we Dream it... Believe it... Achieve it!



### Friends Of Gisburn Road

**Next Meeting**

Our next meeting is  
**Tuesday**  
6<sup>th</sup>

**January**

at **3:30pm**

in the  
**Sure Start Centre.**

Children welcome



## WE NEED YOU!!

Parents, grandparents and care givers.

*Our events have paid for:*

- A new Stage in the Junior School Hall
- A new PA System,
- The Lighting in the junior hall,
- The Wicker Dome in the Infants Playground,
- The Play Equipment in the Junior Playground

We are a group of people who come together a few times a year to come up with ideas for events to support the school and run the

- School disco
- Christmas fayre
- Frank St Shop
- The Fashion Show

If you have any ideas and can't get to meetings or you're willing to volunteer at events or bake a cake please email us at [friendsatgisburnroad@gmail.com](mailto:friendsatgisburnroad@gmail.com) and we will add you to our mailing list.

**Committee members**

Chair	Rachel Waddington
Vice	Caroline Miller
Secretary	Caroline Miller
Vice	Julie Abbott
Treasurer	Caron Longdon
Vice	Janet Omerod
Press Officer	Patti Metcalf
Vice	Jay Wright

## Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who came to support the Christmas Fayre last weekend - we raised a fantastic:

# £845.66!



The Gisburn Road School Choir, pictured here performing at Cravenside Residential Care Home last week led by Choir teacher Mrs Hannah Hird.

### Natural Materials Home Learning

*This holiday, your challenge is to use natural materials from out and about to make something creative!*



## SPOTLIGHT ON FUTURE EVENTS

### Diary Dates

**Mon 5th Jan 15**  
School opens for Spring Term

**Wed 7th Jan**  
Infants' Panto Trip!

**Wed 14th Jan**  
Juniors' Panto Trip!

**Merry Christmas to everyone!**

**Mrs Walker**

## School Meals - First week's Menu

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
BBQ Chicken Wrap Or Tuna Pasta Bake Rice Pudding Or Yoghurt / Fruit	Cottage Pie Or Vegetable Lasagne Cheese & Biscuits Or Yoghurt / Fruit	Chicken Korma Or Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna Apple Crumble & Custard Or Yoghurt / Fruit	Gammon & Pineapple Or Meat Free Sausage Roll Peach Melba Or Yoghurt / Fruit	Pizza Or Fish Fingers Choc Crispie Cake/Milkshake Or Yoghurt / Fruit

**Every Day - Fresh Salad & Bread!**  
All meals are subject to availability.

Please see reverse for an important e-safety message. For more information see the school website



# Staying Safe online during the festive season



The range and complexity of today's technology can often seem bewildering for many parents and carers, particularly with older children who may seem to be permanently 'connected'. During the festive season, many Children and Young People may receive gifts such as Laptops, Tablets, Gaming Consoles and Smartphones and it is a useful opportunity to agree some ground rules to support their safe use. Use the checklist below and those points opposite as starting points.

The list of recommended resources on the left are great sources of information which outline some of the potential risks and provide supporting information for parents and carers.



[www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers](http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers)



[www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/topics/stay-safe)



[www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents)



[www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers)



[www.pegi.info/en/index/](http://www.pegi.info/en/index/)



[www.internetmatters.org/technologies/parental-controls.html](http://www.internetmatters.org/technologies/parental-controls.html)



[www.vodafone.com/content/parents.html](http://www.vodafone.com/content/parents.html)




## Laptops, Desktops and things with keyboards...

These devices bring all sorts of great opportunities

- Don't be put off by the technology - remember Knowledge v. Wisdom (what would we do if the technology wasn't involved?)
- Agree some ground rules - set out your expectations (and why). e.g. when can they go online and for how long (don't forget, most gaming consoles now use the Internet as well)?
- Talk to your child about the online world - what do they like, what worries them and what to do if something goes wrong
- Get your child to talk to you - Not confident? Don't know your Tweets from your Snaps? Consider a 'role swap' and let your child become your teacher to increase your own knowledge
- Consider parental controls - solutions don't need to be technical but filters on the home internet connection can help to screen inappropriate content
- Don't jump to conclusions if something goes wrong - we all make mistakes. Some sites/apps may include 'clickbait' in order to generate advertising income.
- Ensure privacy settings are set up on apps/sites and gaming consoles - there are often more options than typically thought but remember we still need to be careful what we share
- Keep an open dialogue - problems often go unreported for fear of losing access to the technologies they treasure

## and finally...

- DON'T FORGET THE POSITIVES - whilst the use of technology brings potential risks, it is part of our world and also provides immense opportunities and benefits

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Know who online 'friends' are	
Ask your child to teach you about their online world	
Be careful about what you share	
Set expectations and time limits	
Understand not everything online is true	
Know how to report problems on Social Media	
Know how to block unwanted callers	
Check security settings are in place	
Make sure you have an Anti-Virus program	
Consider using home broadband filters	
Check age ratings on games	