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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

& NURSERY UNIT

www.oakfieldprimaryschool.com**Monday 2 October 2023****Oakfield PS & NU needs your help!**

As you may be aware, our much-valued school secretary, is currently off work unwell.

If any parent with previous administrative/secretarial experience was available to assist with school office duties, even on a part-time basis, please contact Mr McCluskey in school on 02893351352 or gmcccluskey739@c2kni.net

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/teacher interviews will take place for all pupils from **Monday 23 – Friday 27 October 2023 from 1.15pm – 3.30pm**. Both the Primary School and Nursery Unit will close at **1.00pm** to facilitate interviews. We are delighted to be able to offer face-to-face parent teacher interviews again at this time. All appropriate mitigations will be in place. In addition, any parent who would still prefer a telephone consultation will also be facilitated.

We ask that you indicate to your child's class teacher, via Seesaw, your order of preference for each day of interview week, please also indicate if you have other children at the school. Please ensure your preferences are expressed by **Friday 6 October 2023**.

Harvest Thanksgiving – Foodbank Appeal

For harvest thanksgiving this year we are supporting the local Carrickfergus foodbank. This foodbank provides emergency food and support for local people in crisis and it is part of The Trussell Trust's UK-wide foodbank network. Each year group has been allocated with an item to bring into school by **Friday 13 October 2023**. See image for further details. Many thanks for your generosity.

**Nursery News**

The photographs below showcase how the children in our Nursery Unit have all settled really well and are enjoying exploring their new surroundings. They are learning routines, developing lots of skills and making new friends. We are looking forward to staying in nursery for dinner and getting to know our P6 buddies.



Northern Health & Social Care Trust – Flu Vaccination Programme 2022

Primary One to Primary Seven pupils are due to receive their flu vaccination in school on the morning of **Friday 20 October 2023**. All parents should have received notification previously from the Public Health nursing team concerning this.

RAF Wings Appeal

The Royal Air Forces Association have distributed a box of 'Wings Appeal' badges to our school and we are pleased to again support this charity. The suggested donation for the badges is £1.50. Children may purchase badges from **Tuesday 3 October 2023**.

Safer Schools NI App: Gaming

Our Safer Schools NI focus this term is 'Gaming'.

Each fortnight we will choose a different area of Gaming to focus on.

We hope that this will be a useful guide for you and your family in navigating the online gaming world.

This fortnight we are focusing on Roblox.

At the end of this newsletter, please find attached a Safety Card on Roblox.

You can access more information on Roblox by accessing the Safer Schools NI App.

- Login to the App
- Select 'Online Safety Guidance'
- Select 'Gaming'
- Select 'Roblox'

ROBLOX

Roblox is a platform where users can create, access and play games. As there is a public forum on Roblox, children and young people could potentially be exposed to strangers and inappropriate content.

Stay safe on Roblox using the instructions on **Privacy**, **Reporting** and **Blocking** below.

Privacy

Set your account to private using these simple instructions:

- Along the bottom navigation bar tap on
- Scroll down and tap on **Settings**.
- Tap on **Privacy**. From here you can control who messages you, invites you to servers, and much more.

Block

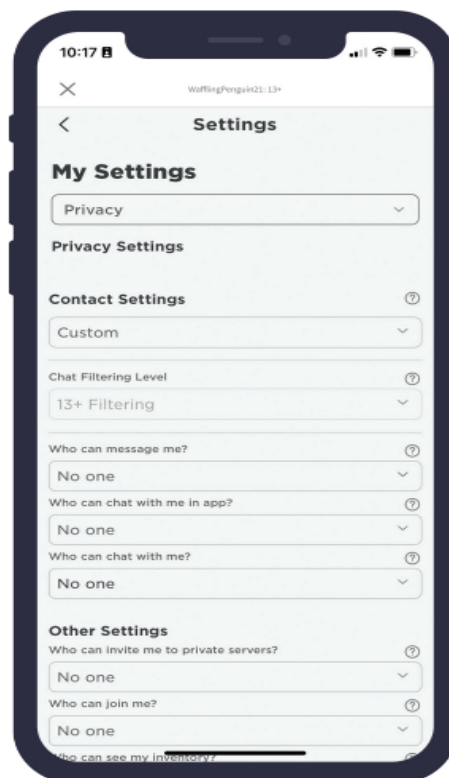
Block a user using these simple instructions:

- On the users profile, tap on the
- Tap **Block User**.
- Tap **Block** again to be extra sure the contact has been blocked.

Report

Report a user using these simple instructions:

- Underneath the game you want to report, tap on
- Tap on **Report**.
- Then select why you are reporting and tap **Report Abuse**.



School Information for Parents : Oakfield Safeguarding & Child Protection Team



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