



**FRISBY CofE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Frisby Friday Flyer

Friday 9th January 2026

Dear parents/carers,

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Collective Worship Take Home

In Collective Worship this week, we have been thinking about how this winter, a charity called Small Acts of Kindness has sourced, packed and distributed over 10,000 'Warm in Winter' gift bags across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire.

Each bag includes things to keep people warm, like blankets, socks and hot drinks. The project aims to bring comfort to elderly and vulnerable people in the colder months. It shows that small acts of kindness can make a big difference in someone's life.

Things you could talk about at home:

- Can you think of a time when someone showed you kindness? How did it make you feel?
- Do you believe that helping others, as Jesus asks us to do, can make our hearts feel happy too? Why do you think that is?
- What are some small acts of kindness we can do at home, at school, or in our community to follow Jesus' example of loving others?



First-time Primary School Admissions Deadline – September 2026 Starters

Starting School



We would like to remind parents that the closing date for Early Years applications, for children due to start school in September 2026, is Thursday 15th January 2026. Applications should be made through the online portal: [Apply for a primary or junior school | Leicestershire County Council](#)

Results for September 2026 primary school applications received by the deadline will be made available on primary school offer day which is Thursday 16th April 2026.

Presentation Champions

At Frisby, we hold high expectations for all our pupils. We believe that excellent presentation is crucial for academic success. By acknowledging and rewarding students who excel in presentation, we emphasize the importance of striving for excellence in every aspect of their education.

Children who have been recognised for demonstrating outstanding presentation of their learning this week are:





Class 1 – Chase Gray
Class 2 – Maia De Gaye
Class 3 – Luca Dodd
Class 4 – Tommy Worthington

Reminder: Online Safety and TikTok Use

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping children safe online, we would like to remind you about the importance of monitoring your child's use of social media platforms, particularly TikTok.

TikTok is hugely popular with young people, but it's important to make sure they're using it safely. Here are some simple steps you can take at home:

- **Check the age limit** – TikTok is for **ages 13 and up**.
- **Set accounts to private** – this helps keep your child's videos and profile safe from strangers.
- **Use Family Pairing** – this feature lets you link your account to your child's and manage screen time, content filters, and messaging.
- **Turn on Restricted Mode** – it helps block inappropriate content.
- **Talk regularly** – ask what they're watching, discuss online challenges, and remind them never to share personal details.



Children can spend a lot of time on TikTok, so setting healthy limits is important. For more advice, visit <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> or the National Online Safety website for easy-to-follow guides. You can also find extra tips and resources on our school website under the Parents tab → E-Safety. Thank you for working with us to keep our children safe online.

Frisby School Values Certificates



This half term's school value is 'Showing Compassion'. Well done to the following children who have been awarded a values certificate in today's Collective Worship:

Class 1- Reggie has shown so much compassion to his friends this week and it has been wonderful to see. Another member of the Class didn't know how to ride a bike, but Reggie was kind and patient and showed them how to ride it. Well done, Reggie! Very proud of you!

Class 2 – There have been several times this week when I have observed Theo being kind and showing compassion to one of his younger peers, in the classroom. He has tried to help them focus on the task and has encouraged them to complete their work. He has done this using kind words and showing thought in the words he uses. Well done Theo. What a great classmate you are.

Class 3 - Not only have you worked incredibly hard this week, but you have also showed lots of compassion. You have been keen to recognise others who have been working well, following rules and being kind. Very well done, Emma, keep it up!

Class 4 – Claudia is always showing extraordinary care, kindness, and thoughtfulness towards others. Claudia consistently looks out for people around her, includes others in games and activities, and makes sure everyone feels welcomed and valued. Her gentle nature and compassionate actions make our classroom a happier and kinder place every day.

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 13th January – Whole school panto performance of Jack and the Beanstalk

Saturday 24th January – am – Cross Country event at Ratcliffe College

Tuesday 27th January – 3.30pm -4.00pm – Open Classrooms

Wednesday 4th February – 5.15pm – 6.15pm – KS1 Disco

Wednesday 4th February – 6.30pm – 7.30pm – KS2 Disco

Friday 13th February – INSET Day (School closed to pupils)

Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February – HALF TERM

Monday 23rd February – School reopens for Spring Term 2

Tuesday 24th February – 3.40pm – 7.00pm – Parents Evening

Wednesday 25th February – 3.40pm – 6.30pm - Parents Evening

Thursday 26th February – time TBC - Sky Theatre performance

Friday 27th February – Visit from Road Safety Education
 Thursday 5th March – World Book Day
 Monday 9th March – British Science Week
 Friday 27th March – 9.30am – Easter Service at St Thomas Church (parents/carers welcome)
 Friday 27th March – School closes for Easter break
 Monday 13th April – School reopens for Summer Term

Growing with hope; serving with compassion; transforming with humility.

Tik Tok

TikTok is a global video community where users create, share and discover 'funny and memorable moments' via short video clips – typically about 15 seconds long. Videos can be 'spiced up' with special effect filters, stickers, music and sound clips. Currently one of the world's most popular apps, TikTok was formerly known as Musical.ly, before it was rebranded by the Chinese company that acquired it in November 2017. If your child had previously had a Musical.ly account, all of their videos and personal settings will have automatically been moved to TikTok.

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

What parents need to know about

TikTok

BEING INFLUENCED
 More than one third of children aged 6-17 consider 'social media stars' to be among their top role models. There are millions of creators on TikTok, showcasing their talents, moments and knowledge, from singing to dancing to stunts and comedy skits, which receive thousands of likes and comments from around the world, quickly turning people into 'stars'. There is the danger that children may develop unrealistic expectations of how they should look and behave on the app in order to become the next 'star'. They may have feelings of inadequacy and low self-esteem or become swayed by certain opinions.

INAPPROPRIATE SONG LYRICS
 TikTok lets users lip-synch to their favourite songs and produce their own music videos. Some of the music choices contain swear words or sexual themes. So not only can children be exposed to potentially inappropriate content but they can broadcast themselves miming or singing these lyrics.

CONCERNING CONTENT
 Some of the outfits and dance moves in videos can be overtly sexual and provocative. There have also been reports of some users sharing concerning content, such as videos that promote anorexia, porn, self-harm and violence.

DANGEROUS TRENDS & CHALLENGES
 On TikTok, there are always 'trending challenges' and hashtags that users can copy or build upon, and sometimes, these challenges can pose risks to young people.

STRANGERS CAN FOLLOW YOUR CHILDREN
 If your child's profile is open, strangers can use the app to comment on your child's videos. While this isn't always sinister, it gives potential predators the ability to contact your child through the platform.

IN-APP PURCHASES
 Of course, as with many apps, there's a paid element to TikTok. Users can buy virtual coins to be exchanged for virtual gifts – for example, if they like a specific video, your child can use coins to purchase emojis to show approval. These can be expensive and easily purchased – there is the option to buy 10,000 coins for £97.99 with a one-click buy button.

ANYONE CAN SEE YOUR CHILD'S CREATIONS
 TikTok encourages users to 'share their passion and creative expression through their videos' and while something may seem fun at the time, videos can get in the wrong hands and cause embarrassment in the future. If posted publicly, anyone in the world can see your child's homemade music video and potentially cause bullying within personal friendship groups or even online.

National Online Safety

Top Tips for Parents

TALK ABOUT THE PITFALLS OF OVERSHARING
 Encourage your kids to always think before they do, say, like or post anything online, explaining that their 'digital footprint' can shape their online reputation and the way that other people see them. Something they may find funny and entertaining now may impact them in the future. Talk about how to deal with peer pressure and how doing something they think will impress others could affect them.

HANDLING CRITICISM
 While it's fantastic to see your child being creative and expressive and bonding with people with similar interests, they need to be aware that not everyone will be supportive online. Comments can be negative or even cruel. Make sure they know how to comment respectfully and handle negative feedback. In the app's Privacy and Safety settings, your child can decide who can react to their videos, who can comment, and who can send them private chat messages. We suggest using these settings so only their friends can interact with their posts.

SIGNING UP WITH THE CORRECT AGE
 When signing up to TikTok, you are prompted to input your birth date. If your child inputs their age as 'under 13', the app will not allow them to sign up and will be locked for 24 hours. The app is intended for users aged 13+, so explain that the rating is there for a reason: to keep them protected from online dangers. It is actually possible to watch TikTok videos without even creating an account, so it's important to check if your underage child has downloaded the app to their devices.

USE THE 'DIGITAL WELLBEING' SETTING
 If you're concerned about the amount of time your child is spending on TikTok, in the app's setting, you can switch on a feature called Digital Wellbeing. This includes 'Screen Management' to limit the amount of time your child spends on the app.

SET THE ACCOUNT TO PRIVATE
 This means that only people who you and your child approve of can see their creations. To make an account private, tap the three dots at the top right of the screen to access settings. Click 'Privacy and Safety'. Scroll down until you find 'Private Account' and turn this setting on.

REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT
 If you or your child see something on TikTok that appears to be inappropriate, they can report content in different ways within the app. They can report an account, video, comment or chat conversation by simply tapping 'Report'. In the app's 'Digital Wellbeing' feature, there is also an 'Enhanced Restricted Mode', which limits the appearance of videos that may not be appropriate for all audiences.

AVOID IDENTIFIABLE OBJECTS
 To ensure that there's no way of anyone tracking your child's location or identity, make it clear to them that they should never film a video in their school uniform or near a landmark that gives away where they live.

DISCUSS IN-APP PURCHASES
 To lower the risk of your child making accidental in-app purchases, teach them exactly what in-app purchases are and the risks of making them without permission. Tell them that they are not essential to enjoy the app and that if they want to make a purchase, they should always ask you beforehand. In the app's 'Digital Wellbeing' feature, there is the option to disable the function of purchasing coins and sending gifts.

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