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Weekly Attendance

EYFS	98.3%
Year 1	99.5%
Year 2	93.1%
Year 3	97.3%
Year 4	94.2%
Year 5	82.2%
Year 6	91%

Year to date Attendance

EYFS	99%
Year 1	95.7%
Year 2	96.3%
Year 3	95.8%
Year 4	94.8%
Year 5	93.9%
Year 6	92.2%

Newsletter

12th June 2026

It has been another busy and productive week in school, with the children working hard as always.

Today, pupils came to school dressed in their sporty clothes in exchange for a donation towards our class hampers. The children looked fantastic, and I am very much looking forward to selecting a winner—although I am sure it will be a difficult decision!

On Thursday 18th June we will be welcoming our SIAMS inspector, Joy Hardy, into school. I have already had the opportunity to speak with Joy and share some of the wonderful things that take place here at Loughborough C of E. It is possible that Joy may be on the playground at the start and end of the school day and may wish to speak with pupils and parents. We are very much looking forward to showcasing our amazing pupils and demonstrating how our school vision and values underpin everything we do.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend and, as always, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Ferey

Values Award

Well done to the pupils receiving our Values Award this week



EYFS: George

Year 1: Alice

Year 3: Maisie

Year 5: Lukas

Year 2: Leo

Year 4: No award this week

Year 6: Arushi

Summer 2026

Date	Year Group	Event
18/06	Y1/Y2/Y3	Twycross Zoo Trip
23/06	EYFS/Y1/Y2	Sports Day pm
24/06	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6	Sports Day pm
26/06	EYFS	EYFS Class Assembly 2.45pm
30/06	All	Loughborough C of E's Got Talent
02/07 & 03/07	Y6	Transition Days (most schools)
07/07	Y6	Pizza and Movie Night 4-6pm
07/07	All	Y6 Leavers Service @ Emmanuel Church
08/07	All	School Open evening 3:30-5:30pm more info to follow
09/07	All	School Closes for Summer
24/08	All	School Opens Autumn Term 2026



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At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://www.thenationalcollege.com).

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

YOUTUBE

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed across multiple device types, even without an account. While some videos are marked as 'age restricted', this relies on uploader honesty and automated moderation, meaning children and young people may still encounter unsuitable content if these measures aren't taken.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

Popular trends and challenges can be entertaining and widely shared. While many are harmless, some can be risky or harmful if copied. For example, the 'salt and ice challenge' has caused injuries when imitated.

EXPOSURE TO EXTREME CONTENT

The platform's algorithm often promotes content that attracts high engagement, which can sometimes include videos containing extreme viewpoints, misinformation, or risky behaviour. As children and young people watch more of this content, similar videos are likely to be recommended by YouTube's algorithm, therefore reinforcing the exposure.

Almost anyone with an internet connection knows about YouTube. The Google-owned platform allows users to upload and share videos globally, making it a readily accessible resource with free content on almost any topic. However, with over 20 million videos uploaded each day, not all material is suitable for younger audiences.

CONNECTING WITH STRANGERS

YouTube includes social features such as comments and direct messaging. This means young users can interact with people they don't know, potentially exposing them to inappropriate language, cyberbullying, or unwanted contact. Young content creators may be especially vulnerable.

SUGGESTED CONTENT

YouTube recommends videos based on what a user has previously watched. While this can enhance the experience, it may also encourage binge-watching and excessive screen time, particularly when Autoplay is enabled. Without an account, users are shown trending videos, which are not always age appropriate.

SHORT-FORM CONTENT IMPACT

YouTube Shorts – short, fast-paced videos – are designed for continuous viewing. This style of content can be highly engaging but may also contribute to increased screen time and difficulties with maintaining focus over longer periods.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CONSIDER YOUTUBE KIDS

YouTube Kids can help reduce young users' exposure to unsuitable content by filtering videos into age groups, such as preschool, younger, and older children. However, as moderation is automated, it should be used alongside active supervision.

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Google Family Link allows adults to filter content, monitor usage, and manage younger users' screen time. Supervised Accounts offer a gradual step up from YouTube Kids, enabling children to explore the platform with appropriate safeguards.

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

If a child in your care uploads content, consider setting videos to Private or Unlisted so they are only shared with trusted viewers. Disabling comments can also help reduce unwanted interaction from strangers.

WATCH TOGETHER

Spending time watching YouTube with the children and young people in your care can help you understand what they enjoy and guide your conversations about content. Tools like Downtime in Family Link can also help limit unsupervised viewing.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for publications including Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard and The New Statesman.



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