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# ANGLESEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- Y4 Mandarin Workshops: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February
- SLB and Oak to Tesco: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February
- Y4 residential to Brighthouse: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>-Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February
- HALF TERM holiday: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February-Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February
- Children return to school: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

### MESSAGE FROM MR PEMBLETON



#### Keeping Our Community Clean – and Our Voices Heard

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the past few weeks, many of you will have noticed that **litter, fly-tipping and the ongoing bin strikes** have had a real impact on the streets around Anglesey. It's not pleasant – and our children have noticed it too.

In fact, our Year 6 pupils (Class 6C) felt so strongly about this that they wrote **powerful points-of-view pieces**, sharing how it makes them feel and why it matters. Their messages were thoughtful, mature and incredibly honest.

Across their writing, the children spoke about:

- Feeling upset and frustrated by rubbish on the streets
- Worries about **health, safety and hygiene**, especially for younger children
- The impact on the **environment and wildlife**
- Pride in their community – and sadness when it doesn't feel cared for
- Understanding the bin strike, while still asking people to act responsibly

Their voices were strong, balanced and full of pride in where they live.

Thank you to all the parents who also shared their views on our **WhatsApp post** – your messages really helped shape the conversation. I was also invited to speak to **BBC Radio WM**, where I shared the children's and community's concerns more widely. (I'll share the interview link shortly.)

A **clean local environment** plays a huge role in helping us instil **PRIDE** – in ourselves, in each other, and in our community. This is something we can only improve **together**, and I'd love to keep hearing your ideas and suggestions.

#### Help Us Grow Our WhatsApp Community

Our school WhatsApp group is proving to be a brilliant way to:

- Share key messages quickly

- Give parents a voice
- Strengthen communication between home and school

We're currently at **278 members** – which is fantastic – but we know many more families could benefit.

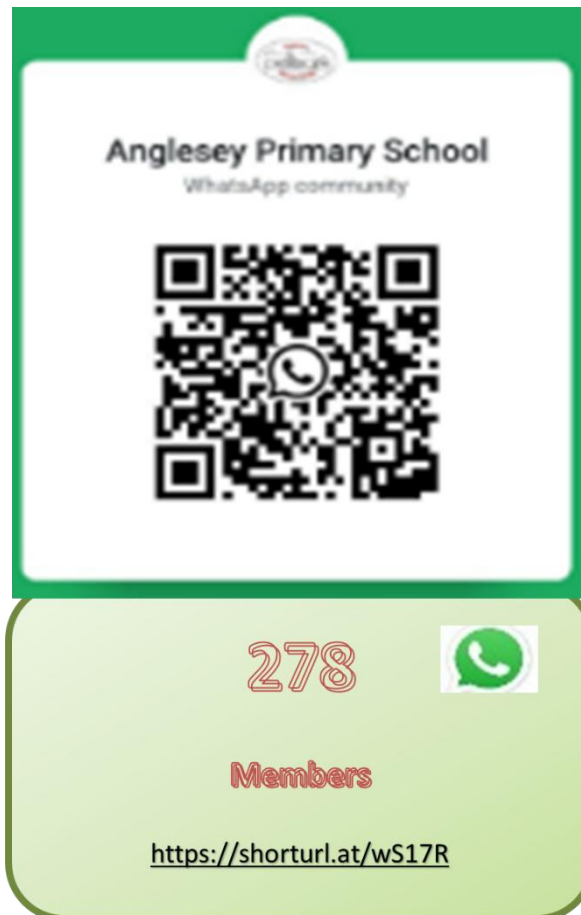
👉 **If you're not already signed up, please join.**

👉 **If you are signed up, encourage another parent to join too.**

The more voices we have, the stronger our community becomes 💬 ❤️

Thank you, as always, for your support and for working alongside us to make Anglesey – and the streets around it – a place we can all be proud of.

Warmest wishes,  
**Adrian Pembleton**  
Headteacher



I think it's bad that our recycling isn't being collected. I've seen this <sup>but</sup> happening <sup>may be</sup> good. However, people get so sick of it. They decide that they would toss rubbish onto the side.

In my opinion, this idea of bin strikes and fly tipping is unacceptable. because First of all, our bins will be full and we won't be able to put more trash in the bins. Second of all our streets will stink.

I feel upset because how can we walk to the street? ~~It's~~ It would block our way. We can't smell something bad coming from the bin and people will keep on doing until the garbage man comes.

I think bin strikes should stop because it's unfair that the people who clean our bins are complaining and leaving it to us where our rubbish is left. I also think that bin men deserve a little pay rise because people are fly tipping which is when they throw their rubbish (people have not been taking) into areas like the side of the road. Our roads and areas have been getting dirtier day by day.

I feel unhappy about bin strikes, this has been going on for years now. People need to collect the bin waste, we can't just leave them there and keep topping rubbish. It's unfair that people are fly tipping and dumping their own rubbish in the side of the road but the reason behind this is because the bin people aren't collecting our rubbish.

I think that the bin strikes and the fly tipping that people are doing is ridiculous because it is bad for the environment.

It is dirty, disgusting and hazardous. What would we do if a toddler picked up a piece of rubbish and choked on it? They could die if we don't do anything. If you have a young toddler that likes to pick things up and put them in their mouth, think about their safety. The bin strikes are creating creating stinky, smelly roads and is polluting the area.

It is nasty when people throw rubbish on the floor. Even the environment would not be good if people throw rubbish. Everyone if your listening please put your rubbish in the bin. If you do then that means you want the environment to be healthy. But if you don't then you want the environment to be destroyed.

if we have on the bin strikes it will be bad because we will dump there trash on the side of the road because we wouldn't want these bins to smell and be infested with bugs. we dump things like couches, fridges all kind of thing this had going out wrong this is getting out of hand at least street has a bin blob.

I think fly tipping is very bad and very unhygienic because all of peoples house waste is left on the road. But it is also a little okay because pop of how bin men on a bin strike. However bin striking is hugely horrible. Even though it is bad, the bin men have a point. They are getting paid less.

I think its just terrible what people are doing. With the bin strikes there's too many of them the government needs to stop just a bit more than, then hopefully it would stop. But mainly the bin people must stop what they are doing these strikes are causing fly tipping. This really worries me for doozels. I want an area to be clean I want it to be a welcoming area.

I think that fly tipping is unnecessary because it blocks us from walking. And I think that bin strikes is a bit like torture because we can't just fill our house with trash. People would feel disgusted even walking down the road. Everyone knows that they don't get paid enough but they should accept the fact that their job is to pick up trash and wait until someone like the government speaks up.

## SAFEGUARDING QUESTION

### TRIVIA OF THE WEEK

How can you protect against shoulder surfing?



- A. Work in a very crowded area
- B. Sensitive documents on your desk
- C. Share your screen with your team
- D. Privacy Screen on your device

Answer from last time was: D

### TRIVIA OF THE WEEK

Why might internal actions cause greater damage to a work or home network than if it were an external attack?



- A. No passwords are needed
- B. Home users are better hackers
- C. Users have direct access
- D. Users access information online

Answer next week...



## Online Safety Newsletter February 2026

### CBeebies Parenting and Apps

CBeebies Parenting is full of useful information from creative activities, recipes and information about the CBeebies apps.

CBeebies apps are free to download with no in-app purchases. Their apps include:

- Playtime Island - Fun Games for Kids App. This app includes 40 free games.
- CBeebies Learn - Early Years Learning App. This app includes games and videos and is based on the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum.
- Get Creative - Open-ended Creative Activities App. This app is free and includes lots of drawing and painting activities.
- Storytime - Reading Stories App. This app includes interactive story books.

You can find out more here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/parenting>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translate tool on our web version: <https://www.knowsleycitycs.org.uk/february-2026-primary/>

### Using AI to alter images

AI image generator and moderator tools are widely available and often used by children. Whilst these tools can be used for creative purposes, we need to ensure our children are aware of the appropriate way in which to use them and the circumstances when they should not be used, even if harm is not intended.

#### What are AI image generator and moderator tools?

It is when Artificial Intelligence is used to create or modify images, for example it could be used to swap faces, change expressions or for more sinister reasons, such as to remove clothes. These images are often very realistic and therefore difficult to see that they are fake.

#### Privacy concerns and consent

If your child is using these tools, they need to be aware of potential loss of privacy and the importance of consent. They should know that they should only use images of other people with consent.

#### What does my child need to know about using these tools?

- Children shouldn't use AI tools to manipulate images of school staff. Even if the child's intention is not malicious, children should not use AI tools to create or edit photos of teachers under any circumstances.
- Manipulation of images of friends or other children – if you are using images of other people, then consent **must** always be sought.
- The tools should not be used to create images that can embarrass or hurt others - this is a form of online bullying.
- Copyright issues – who owns the copyright? These images could be reused by others, which can affect their own digital footprint.

#### What should I do?

- Chat to your child if they are using these tools and ascertain the reason why. Ask them to show you the images that they have created.
- Check the age ratings of any apps/websites that your child is using and set up appropriate parental controls.
- Develop your child's digital literacy by teaching them to recognise online risks and to behave responsibly online

#### Further information

- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-to-children-about-ai>
- <https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2025/02/18/understanding-image-consent-at-schools/>

# TikTok

**You must be over 13 years of age to use TikTok.** TikTok is a social media platform for sharing and watching short video clips. If your child is using TikTok then make sure appropriate security / privacy settings are applied.

## Account set up

It is important that your child enters their real date of birth as accounts are tailored by age e.g., Direct Messaging is disabled for accounts aged 13-15. In addition, advertisements are tailored by age. By default, accounts for people under 16 are set to private. You can read more about the other settings available, such as switching off comments and restricted mode here: <https://support.tiktok.com/en/account-and-privacy/account-privacy-settings/privacy-and-safety-settings-for-users-under-age-18>

## Family Pairing

Family Pairing allows you to link your own account to your child's account. You can then set controls such as restricted mode or tailor your child's 'For You' feed by selecting keywords that TikTok will use to filter out posts. You can find out more here: <https://support.tiktok.com/en/safety-hc/account-and-user-safety/family-pairing>

## What do I need to be aware of?

- **Inappropriate content and themes:** whilst against guidelines, explicit and inappropriate content can be found on this platform, for example nudity/sexual content and hate speech. Some of the songs available to lip sync to may contain inappropriate lyrics/themes.
- **Challenges:** We often see viral challenges on social media, some of which can be **risky/dangerous**. Sadly, there are reports that children have died whilst attempting online challenges. Children may not yet have developed the skills and ability to critically analyse that what they see online is not always safe for them to replicate.
- **Stranger contact:** chat to your child about how people may not be who they say they are when online.

## Refresh your feed

You can refresh your "For You" feed to update the content recommended: <https://support.tiktok.com/en/account-and-privacy/account-privacy-settings/refresh-your-for-you-feed>

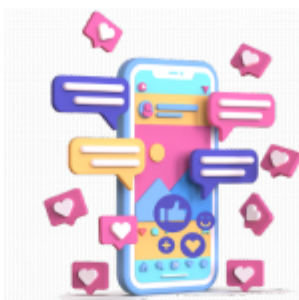
## Blocking and Reporting

Show your child how to use the safety features available.

## Further information

- <https://parentzone.org.uk/article/tiktok>
- <https://www.tiktok.com/safety/en/guardians-guide>

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## Balance screen time tips

Internet Matters have created simple tips to help you develop healthy online habits for your child. They also answer key questions such as "how much screentime is too much" and "is gaming bad for children." Access this information here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/creating-a-balanced-digital-diet-with-screen-time-tips>

## 7 Steps to Good Digital Parenting

The Family Online Safety Institute have created seven steps to assist you as a digital parent. Find out more here:

<https://fosi.org/program/7-steps-to-good-digital-parenting/>

## Children's Commissioner launches new guide for parents and carers

The Children's Commissioner has released a new guide to help you in managing your child's digital life. The guide was written with direct involvement from children.

It includes advice on setting boundaries such as no devices in the bedroom and how to chat to your child. You can find the guide here:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/blog/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-childrens-commissioner-launches-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>

**IF YOU LIKE DRAGONS**

have you read

**GO ALL IN.**

*When a Dragon Comes to Stay*

*THE DRAGON WITH THE BLAZING BOTTOM*

*BILLY DRAGON*

*There's a Dragon in Your Book*

*DRAGONS LOVE TACOS*

*WHERE DRAGONS FLY*

*The Boy Who Sang with DRAGONS*

*Daisy's DRAGONS*

*NO SWAGON STORY*

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## PE UNIFORM REMINDER

Please find out from class teachers when your child has PE.  
On those days, they can come to school on their PE kits.  
Lots of children aren't wearing PE Kits and this creates safety concerns.  
Thank you for your cooperation.



Our PE uniform is:

- White T Shirt
- Black shorts
- Black trainers
- Black tracksuit