



# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter No. 5

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## COVID Update

Thank you for your support and patience with Covid over the past couple of weeks. The number of cases is dropping again within school and some children are returning. Please can I ask that you all continue to be vigilant for symptoms – I know there are other winter bugs around school as well but if in doubt, please test with a PCR to rule out another outbreak of the virus.

## POKEMON GO

Pokémon GO was released in July 2016, and had amassed more than 100 million downloads by the end of that month. The following year, an academic study by an American university reported that people playing Pokémon GO in areas near traffic had been a named factor in 31 injuries and two fatalities in the US alone.

That's not to say that the game itself is dangerous – just that eager young Pokémon trainers may regularly need reminding about the importance of staying aware of their surroundings.

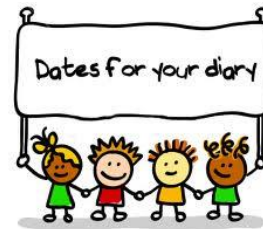
## Dates for the Diary

### October

- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> New Intake Open Day
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Individual School Photos
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Individual School Photos
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3.40 – 5.00
- Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3.40 – 5.00
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Parents Evening 5.00 – 7.00
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Service in Church
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Term Ends

### November

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Staff Training Day
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> School Opens to Pupils



**What Parents Need to Know about POKÉMON GO**

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**  
Pokémon GO requires players to visit real-world locations (POGOONS) to catch virtual Pokémon. These are often situated in public areas, including green spaces, parks and playgrounds. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**STRANGERS & MEETING OFFLINE**  
Players often cooperate with friends to the game and may meet in person. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**DATA COLLECTION**  
Pokémon GO collects location data and other information about the player's device and usage. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**PLAY ALONGSIDE YOUR CHILD**  
Playing and catching Pokémon with young children can be a fun activity. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**ENCOURAGE AWARENESS**  
Remind your child of the physical dangers of the game, such as crossing roads and using mobile phones. Encourage your child to be aware of their surroundings and to play safely.

**DISCUSS THE EXERCISE**  
One of Pokémon GO's benefits is that it encourages physical activity. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**USE AN OLDER PHONE**  
Pokémon GO is available on both Android and iOS. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**AGREE PLAY BOUNDARIES**  
Parents should agree play boundaries with their child. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Meet our expert, a professional in the field of child safety. Parents should be aware of their child's location and any potential hazards, such as traffic, construction sites or a drain hole, for example.

**NOS National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

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## HEADTEACHER AND VALUES STARS

### Headteacher Awards

- Rec – George and Molly
- Y1 – David and Freya
- Y2 – Joshua and Martha
- Y3 – Caitlyn, Sienna and Emmie
- Y4 – Summer and Joseph
- Y5 – Abbie and Jason
- Y6 – Charlie C and Xander

### Value Stars

- Rec - Ellie
- Y1 - Rose
- Y2 – Jamie
- Y3 – Hen
- Y4 – Imogen
- Y5 – Alexander
- Y6 – Esme and Olivia

**Our Value for this month is  
Thankfulness**

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