

18 July 2025

NEWSLETTER!

Dear Families,

What an incredible term it's been! We hope everyone has a lovely summer break and we look forward to welcoming all students back in September. Read on for more details and highlights!

Key Dates:

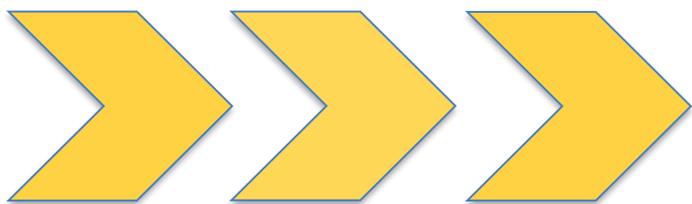
- **22 July 2025** - Term 6 Ends and Non-Uniform day. Students finish at **12:45**
- **01 September 2025**- Staff Development day
- **02 September 2025** – Term 1 starts for **Year 7, 11, 12.**
- **03 September 2025**- Term 1 starts for **all students.**



Uniform Update

Students can continue to wear their PE kits until **Monday, July 21st.**

On Tuesday, **July 22nd**, students are welcome to wear non-uniform and will be dismissed early at **12:45 PM**



NEXT WEEK IS WEEK B TIMETABLE



**Artsmark
Gold Award**
Awarded by Arts
Council England



**GOLD
SCHOOL
2020**

ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

UPCOMING EVENTS

** Open Events for September 2026 Admissions: Current Year 6 Pupils! **

We are excited to announce our upcoming open events for current Year 6 pupils considering admission to our school in September 2026. This is a fantastic opportunity for families and prospective pupils to get a real feel for our school community.

You will have the chance to hear directly from our Headteacher, meet our dedicated staff and current pupils, tour our excellent facilities, and even visit subject classes in action!

- **Open Evening:**

Join us on **Thursday, September 25th 2025 from 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM.** Headteacher talks will be held at: **6:00 PM, 6:45 PM and 7:30 PM.**

- **Open Morning Tours:**

Our Open Morning tours will run from **Monday, September 29th until Thursday, October 2nd 2025.** We will have two tours each morning:

- **First tour:** 9:00 AM - 9:40 AM
- **Second tour:** 10:00 AM - 10:40 AM

Advance booking is required for all Open Morning tours. Please note that **each parent will need to book an individual ticket.** One child is permitted per parent, and tickets are not required for children.

To book one of our Open Morning Tours please scan the QR code or go to:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tws-open-events>

For more information, please visit our website:

<https://www.thewhitstableschool.org.uk/about-us/news/open-events-september-2025>

We can't wait to welcome you!

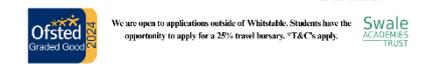


Welcome to The Whitstable School, the highest performing non-selective school within the district recently graded GOOD in all areas by Ofsted.

The Whitstable School is a passionate, purposeful and progressive place to study: our pupils foster a deep love for learning and continually strive to reach their full potential.

For current Year 6 pupils for Admissions in September 2026, the school will hold an open evening and morning tours. Families and prospective pupils will have the opportunity to hear from the Headteacher, meet staff, current pupils, tour the school facilities and visit subject classes.

OPEN EVENING	OPEN MORNINGS
Thursday, 25th Sept 2025 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Headteacher talks will be at: 6:00 PM, 6:45 PM and 7:30 PM	Monday 29th Sept-Thursday 2nd Oct 2025 First tour: 9:00 AM - 9:40 AM Second tour: 10:00 AM - 10:40 AM
No booking required for Open Evening	Please book below
<i>Advance booking is required for all Open Morning tours, with two tours each morning. Please note: Each parent will need to book an individual ticket. One child is permitted per parent and tickets are not required for children.</i>	
To book one of our Open Morning Tours please scan the QR code or go to: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tws-open-events	



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



GOLD SCHOOL 2020

ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

** Important: HPV Vaccination for Year 8 Students **

If your Year 8 child missed their HPV vaccination during the recent school visit, the Immunisation Service is inviting parents to book an appointment at one of their community clinics. If you previously gave consent but your child wasn't immunized, you should have already received an automated email with a direct link to book. Alternatively, you can contact the team directly for more information on clinic availability by calling 0300 123 5205. Further details are also available on the Immunisation Service website: <https://family.kentcht.nhs.uk/imms>

SIXTH FORM UPDATE

** Important Information: Examination Results Collection **

A Level and BTEC Results

- **Date:** Thursday, August 14th, 2025
- **Time:** 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM
- **Location:** The Stage

Contact: Results will be available from Ms. Simons.

Support on A Level Results Day

We understand that results days can be an anxious time. To ensure all students receive the support they need, our **UCAS Adviser** and **Careers Adviser** will be available on A Level results day. They will be on hand to provide guidance, support, and advice on:

- University applications
- Clearing
- Future career pathways

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact **Mrs. Simons, Head of Sixth Form and IB Coordinator**, at tw_s_sixthform@swale.at

** Sixth Form Enrolment **

Year 11 pupils can enrol for our Sixth Form on **GCSE Results Day (Thursday, August 21st)**. This is your chance to officially confirm your place, discuss your subject choices and complete any necessary paperwork. For those who are unable to attend on Results Day, we will also be offering an additional enrolment session on the first day back at school (Tuesday September 2nd). Please email tw_s_sixthform@swale.at if you have any further queries.



**** Huge Congratulations to Alex! ****



Massive congratulations to **Alex**, one of our talented Year 12 students, who has officially signed for **Hythe Town First Team!** This is an incredible achievement as Hythe Town is a semi-professional club. What a fantastic step in his football career! Well done, Alex – we're incredibly proud of your dedication and success!

**** Megan Hits the Semi-Finals of "Undiscovered Talent UK"!**

We are incredibly excited to announce that Megan, one of our fantastic Sixth Form students, has made it to the semi-finals of "Undiscovered Talent UK"! This is a huge achievement and a testament to her amazing talent.

Let's all tune in and support Megan!

The semi-finals kick off on **Wednesday, July 30th 2025 at 8 PM.**

You can watch live on Facebook and TikTok via the "**Undiscovered Talent UK**" account. Good luck, Megan!



THIS WEEK SO FAR...

**** TRACK Excellence Raffle Winners Announced! ****

Each Wednesday, the school will run a '**TRACK Excellence**' raffle with two prizes for students. To enter, students just have to have seven or more positive signatures over the two weeks. Students with negative signatures are still able to participate.

This week's winners are:

Poppy (Year 8) and Willow (Year 9)

We've teamed up with local businesses for amazing rewards.

This week's prize is vouchers for local book store: **Tales on Moon Lane.**



Students with their prizes in the TRACK Excellence raffle.



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

**** Book of Commendation- Celebrating Student Success! ****

We are pleased to announce the following students have been recognised for their exceptional work and have been added to the Book of Commendation.

English:

- **Cody, Tyron and Scarlett (Year 7)** for beautifully presented English work.

Geography:

- **Archie (Year 8)** for his story board on Dharavi Slums.

Personal Development:

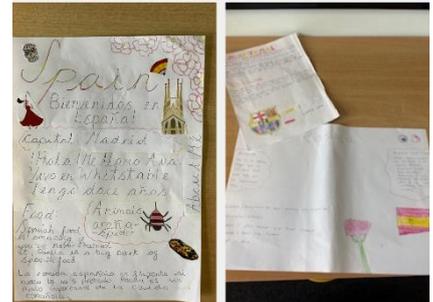
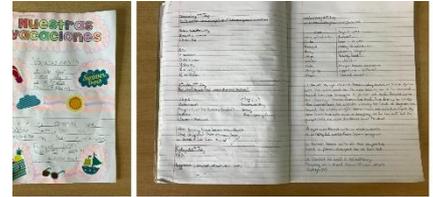
- **Drew, Rudi, Juno and Polly (Year 7)** for their written work on puberty in PD.

Spanish:

- **Ava and Annie (Year 7), Adalaide (Year 8)** for amazing posters in Spanish.

Art:

- **Tahsin (Year 8)** for beautiful art work in textile.



A huge well done to **Drew (Year 7)** and **Harrison (Year 8)** for being our **Book of Commendation winners** this term! Both students were awarded a certificate and a **£10 Amazon voucher** for their outstanding achievements. Fantastic work!



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



GOLD
SCHOOL
2020

ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

**** ShakesFest Success: Best Interpretation Award for TWS! ****

On Thursday, July 10th, 19 of our incredibly talented Drama and Dance students took to the stage in Eastbourne for our Trust Drama competition, "**ShakesFest.**"

TWS delivered a fantastic performance of an extract from Shakespeare's 'Much Ado About Nothing,' creatively set at a superhero-themed fancy dress party, with Beatrice and Benedick brilliantly portrayed as the Joker!



We are thrilled to announce that we returned with the prestigious award for 'Best Interpretation'! The judges were particularly impressed with our students' deep understanding of the text and our innovative design concept. Some huge congratulations to everyone involved – what an outstanding achievement!

**** Design & Technology Students Explore Engineering at MINI Oxford and Brooklands Museum! ****

This past Wednesday, our Year 9 and 10 Design and Technology students embarked on an exciting trip to Brooklands Museum and the MINI factory in Oxford.

At Brooklands, students immersed themselves in a wide array of exhibits, delving into the worlds of F1, design, carpentry, motoring and aviation history. The afternoon then saw us at the MINI factory, where students gained invaluable insight into the entire car manufacturing process, from start to finish. They witnessed excellent examples of CAD/CAM, automation, product assembly, quality control and various production techniques in action.



It was a truly fantastic and educational day out; one we absolutely plan to repeat!



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



GOLD
SCHOOL
2020

ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

**** STEM Academy Defies Gravity at iFLY O2! ****

The STEM Academy finished off the year with an exhilarating trip to **iFLY O2**, giving students a fantastic opportunity to defy gravity and apply their physics knowledge in a real-world setting! Students experienced body flight first-hand, gaining a thrilling appreciation for the importance of surface area and air resistance and how simply changing their body shape determined their speed within the wind tunnel. What an incredible way to wrap up the academic year!



**** TWS Students Immerse Themselves in Barcelona! ****

From July 8th to 11th, a group of our **Year 10 and 12** students enjoyed an unforgettable trip to Barcelona, enriching their GCSE and A-level Spanish studies. Students fully immersed themselves in the vibrant culture, stunning architecture, and local language. They were particularly impressed by iconic landmarks such as La Sagrada Familia, Parc Güell, and Poble Espanyol – and, of course, a visit to Bershka, the popular clothes shop! Over the few days, students significantly grew in confidence, actively interacting with local people and skillfully using their Spanish to navigate the bustling city. What a fantastic experience!



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



GOLD
SCHOOL
2020

ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

** Year 9 Geographers Roar at The Big Cat Sanctuary! **

This past Monday, a group of our Year 9 geographers had an incredible visit to **The Big Cat Sanctuary in Smarden**. Students participated in a fascinating workshop focused on the crucial importance of habitat conservation. They even had the unique opportunity to handle a range of artefacts, including fur, claws, and teeth! The highlight of the day was a private tour where an excellent guide shared insights into the sanctuary's 14 different cat species. We learned so much about these magnificent animals, many of whom have been rescued, such as their collection of lions from Ukraine, or have retired from busy zoos.



It was a truly great day out and we certainly hope to offer this amazing and educational experience again next year!



** What a Sports Day! **

And that's a wrap for Sports Day today! A massive well done to all the students who took part – you did incredibly well! Your effort and sportsmanship were fantastic to see.



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



GOLD
SCHOOL
2020

ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

NOTICE BOARD

Summer holidays mental health support

Mr T Walker
Mental Health Lead



10 July 2025

As the summer holidays approach, the change of routine and being away from school friends can create some pressures, like isolation and loneliness for young people.

kelsi is an online resource for education professionals in Kent. Provided by Kent County Council.

Go to the KELSII homepage and select 'Secondary' from the nav bar. Then scroll down to find useful advice and links to agencies like Kooth.

[Summer holidays mental health support](#)



As Wellbeing lead at TWS I wanted to make parents aware of [Hub of Hope](#).

HofH is a powerful tool for locating the right support for your needs nearest to you. Simply enter your 'support need' and postcode and it will create a list of local agencies best placed to help you and your child.

Mr T Walker
Mental Health Lead




HUB OF HOPE
BY CHASING THE STIGMA

I want to find services near me
Whitstable CT5

Support need
Not sure what to select? Leave it blank or find out more
Support need A-Z
need support with... e.g. stress

Take Off for Physical and Mental Wellbeing
6.515 miles - Open now - Closes 9pm
34 Military Road, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 1LT
Our mission is to support people with mental health problems to improve their well-being and live happier and healthier lives. We have grown to serve the community... more details
16+ Anxiety Bereavement Bipolar Disorders Depression Eating Disorder

Support for young people (25 & under) Support for adults Urgent help in an emergency



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England

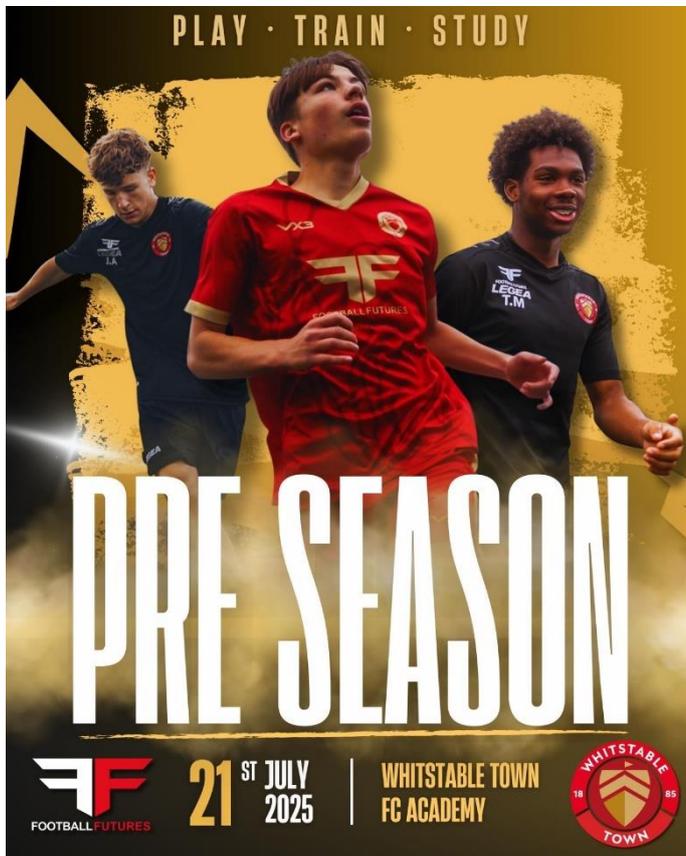


ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732



Whitstable Harbour and Boat Show 2025 - Saturday 9th August



Are you interested in carpentry or intrigued to know how boats are made? Head down to Whitstable Harbour on Saturday 9th August to see a range of presentations from skilled workers on how boats are made and restored. There will also be opportunities to discuss careers advice, apprenticeships and work experience. Plus a range of activities for all ages to get involved with.

Presentations

- 11.30am** - Restoring a 1906 Oyster Yawl. Morgan Lewis
- 12pm** - Sea Stories for Pre-Readers
- 12.30pm** - Build your Own Boat. Will Reed
- 1 pm** - Today's Boat-Building Apprenticeship. Simon Bearwood
- 1.30pm** - Sea Stories for Early Readers
- 2 pm** - Achieving the Perfect Finish. Colin Henwood
- 2.30pm** - Sea Stories for Young Readers.
- 3 pm** - From School-girl to Boat-builder. Abbey Molyneux
- 3.30pm** - Launching People and Boats. Will Reed
- 4 pm** - Selecting Timbers. Morgan Lewis with Dan Brice.

Kent Family Hub - Summer HAF We have some ***Free*** activities and events planned over the summer break and hope you can share these with your Free School Meal families. *These activities are for FSM families only*
The activities have been designed for different age ranges.

For any bookable sessions, please encourage the young people/families to contact us **as soon as possible**, as spaces are limited.

This time, we will be asking for the family's HAF code on booking.

If schools have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

For any families who have queries, please ask them to contact canterburyfh@kent.gov.uk or 03000 421554



Artsmark Gold Award
Awarded by Arts Council England



ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732



The Whitstable School

Bellevue Road | Whitstable | Kent | CT5 1PX

T: 01227 931300

E: tws_admin@swale.at

www.thewhitstableschool.org.uk

Headteacher: Mr A Holmes BA (Hons), MA, NPQH

Canterbury Family Hubs

Information:

Booking Activities:
Families of children aged 4 to 16 years, who are in receipt of benefits related to free school meals can access our Summer holidays Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme. The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme in Kent focuses on children's physical health and wellbeing by providing healthy food and exciting activities for children and young people during the school holidays.
To register your interest, please email: canterburyfh@kent.gov.uk

Drop In Activities:

Our drop in activities are available for everybody, no need to book.

4th & 22nd August Wildwood Trips

We have a number of tickets available for families to enjoy a day at Wildwood, with lunch provided for all young people attending. For 0-19 years (25 SEND). Parents/carers in attendance.

Meet at: 11:00am

Herne Common,
Herne Bay
CT6 7LQ



5th August Led By The Wild

Young guardians of nature, join us for a fun day of pond dipping, building bug hotels and more. Learn from experienced conservationists and hopefully get to meet some local inhabitants of the forest.
For 7-11 years, parents/carers in attendance.

10:30am - 3:00pm

A coach will take families to the location, additional information will be provided on booking confirmation.



Canterbury Family Hubs

Information:

Booking Activities:
Families of children aged 4 to 16 years, who are in receipt of benefits related to free school meals can access our Summer holidays Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme. The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme in Kent focuses on children's physical health and wellbeing by providing healthy food and exciting activities for children and young people during the school holidays.
To register your interest, please email: canterburyfh@kent.gov.uk

Drop In Activities:

Our drop in activities are available for everybody, no need to book.

11th & 28th August Family Swims

Free Family Swim session. Meet us at Kingsmead Leisure Centre reception for your Swimming ticket and Food voucher. For 0-19 years (25 SEND), parents/carers in attendance.

Meet at: 2:15pm

Kingsmead Leisure Centre,
Kingsmead Road,
Canterbury,
CT2 7PH



12th August Stream Walk

Join us for a fun filled time with a range of activities: available, Pond dipping, Nature hunt, Salad safari, Watering and digging raised beds. For 5-11 years, parents/carers in attendance.

11:00am - 1:00pm

Stream Walk Footpath,
Between Bridge Road and
Cromwell Road,
Whitstable, CT5 1RH



Family Events

Please join us for a day of Family Fun! Bring the whole family and enjoy one of our activities for all ages. There'll be lots of activities on offer, such as art and craft, sports equipment, making healthy snacks, toys, games and much more... We'll also be joined by lots of local organisations who'll be able to tell you about their services in the local community. Feel free to bring along a picnic rug, as all children will receive a free healthy lunch box (with allergen options available). For ages 0-19 (25 SEND), with parents/carers in attendance.

6th August
10:00am - 2:00pm

Kingsmead Field,
Kingsmead Road,
Canterbury,
CT2 7PH

20th August
10:00am - 2:00pm

Herne Bay Family Hub,
Memorial Park,
Herne Bay,
CT6 5RG

18th August Led By The Wild

Ready to turn imagination into creation? Join our family session for parents and their young people to create and build something made of wood to take home.
For 11-19 years (25 SEND), parents/carers in attendance.

10:30am - 3:00pm

A coach will take families to the location, additional information will be provided on booking confirmation.



KAE Outdoor Activities

Come along to explore the outdoors with a range of activities including twig crafting, bird feeders and planting seeds. Suitable for ages 3-11 years, parents/carers in attendance.

13th August
10:00am - 12:00pm

Briary Family Hub,
Greenhill Road (west),
Herne Bay,
CT6 5RS

19th August
10:00am - 12:00pm

Wincheap Family Hub,
Hollowmede,
Wincheap,
CT1 3SD



15th August Dinosaur World Live

Come and experience this roarsome interactive show, direct from the west end to the Marlowe Theatre. Picnic lunches will be provided for all children attending. For ages 3-11 years, parents/carers in attendance.

1:00pm - 3:30pm

The Friars,
Canterbury,
CT1 2AS



8th August Pride Event

Everybody is welcome for our BBQ and fun family activities to celebrate Pride. Please book for food or drop-in on the day to join in the fun. For 0-19 years (25 SEND). Parents/carers in attendance.

11:00am - 2:00pm

Herne Bay Family Hub,
Memorial Park,
Herne Bay, CT6 5RG



Sports Connect Sessions

5th & 19th August
1:30pm - 3:30pm

Get ready for fun, games, and plenty of high-fives! Our sports sessions are all about energy, teamwork, and trying your best. For 8-11 years. Parents/carers can attend.

Herne Bay Family Hub,
Memorial Park,
Herne Bay,
CT6 5RG

12th & 26th August
1:30pm - 3:30pm

Ready to push yourself, try new skills, and take your game to the next level? Our sports sessions are all about fun, challenge, and growth. For 12-19 years (25 SEND). Parents/carers can attend.



26th August Mexican Cooking

Want to learn and try something new. Join us and try your hand at prepping, cooking and then eating a dish from another country. For 8-12 years. Parents/carers do not need to attend.

11:00am - 1:00pm

Whitstable Family Hub,
Tower Parade,
Whitstable,
CT5 2BJ



8th August Stream Walk

Pond dipping, harvesting salad and making dressings. Make your own pizza in oven and top with veg from garden where possible. For 11-19 years (25 SEND). Parents/carers in attendance.

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Stream Walk Footpath,
Between Bridge Road
and Cromwell Road,
Whitstable, CT5 1RH



8th August Wheely Fun

Enjoy the thrills of cars and racing with a whole room set up by the Wheely Fun Club including tracks, remote control cars and ride on vehicles. A place where kids drive the imagination. For 0-8 years. Parents/carers in attendance.

10:30am - 12:00pm

Wincheap Family Hub,
Hollowmede,
Wincheap,
CT1 3SD



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732



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.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

STAYING SAFE AROUND WATER

Enjoying time in, on, and around water plays a vital role in a young person's overall development, offering a healthy and exhilarating way to have fun. This guide outlines essential safety advice, based on the Royal Life Saving Society UK's Water Safety Code, to help ensure children can enjoy swimming and similar activities safely and responsibly.

1 STICK TO LIFEGUARDED AREAS

It's never advisable to enter unsupervised bodies of water, especially alone. Instead, it's considered best practice to accompany children to places with lifeguards, as they will be trained to respond swiftly in emergencies and provide first aid when needed.

2 LEARN SIGNS AND FLAGS

When going to a new environment, it's important to research the local area and make children aware of safety signage before entering the water. If visiting the seaside, make sure children are always supervised by an adult and that they know what different beach flags mean, so they're knowledgeable of where and when they can enter the sea.

3 STOP AND THINK

Young people should be cautious before entering water, as it's difficult to know what hazards could be underneath. Use the Water Safety Code and encourage children to ask themselves questions such as, "Is the water too deep or too shallow? Are there currents, tides, or underwater objects?" Make sure children know never to enter water from a height, as what lurks below could cause serious injuries.

4 CONSIDER WATER TEMPERATURE

Even on hot days, water can be deceptively cold. Tragedies strike when young people experience cold water shock. Never let children enter water quickly; instead, ensure that they enter slowly and carefully to allow their bodies to adjust to the temperature or exit easily if needed.

5 INFLATABLE SAFETY

Although inflatables may seem like a fun idea when visiting locations like the beach, they can float further out from shore and into more dangerous water. It's advisable only to use inflatables in spaces like appropriately managed swimming pools, where they're used in more controlled and supervised environments.

6 SUPERVISION IS KEY

For young children, and particularly those under the age of five, it's important for them to be supervised at home, outside and at the pool at all times. It's essential for parents and educators to understand that young children can drown quickly and silently; therefore, anyone supervising them must maintain constant watch in case they get into difficulty.

7 DON'T GO TOO FAR

When swimming, especially in open water, it's best to teach children to stay within a safe depth. Share advice with them such as only entering water up to a standing depth, and in the case of visiting the beach, swim parallel to shorelines. This will allow a child to stay in control and get out of the water easily.

8 KEEP POOLS AND TUBS DRAINED

For parents of young children, a simple way to protect them at home is to keep outdoor spaces and bathrooms tidy after playtime. This includes removing water from paddling pools after use and turning them over, returning lids to hot tubs and taking toys out of baths, so all water can be fully drained from the tub.

9 FLOAT AND CALL 999

If a child gets into difficulty in the water, they should try to float on their back, stay calm, and call for help. If a young person sees someone else in trouble, they should dial 999 or 112 immediately, then shout to reassure their friend, encouraging them to float on their back, and letting them know that help is on the way. Children should never enter the water to attempt a rescue or retrieve belongings.

10 TEACH WATER SAFETY

Beyond swimming lessons, children should be educated in school on water safety. Use RLSS UK's accredited programme, 'Water Smart Schools', which offers free lesson plans and resources on how to be safe on, near and around water by following the Water Safety Code.

Meet Our Expert

The Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS UK) is a national water safety charity that gives children the chance to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water, safely. Water safety education provided in schools is vital and, in some instances, could be a child's only opportunity to learn about the water.



@wake_up_weds

/www.thenationalcollege

@wake.up.wednesday

@wake.up.weds

Users of this guide do so at their own discretion. No liability is entered into. Current as of the date of release: 16.07.2025



Artsmark Gold Award
Awarded by Arts Council England



ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732

REMINDERS

**** Respecting Accessible Parking Spaces ****

We kindly remind all parents and visitors to respect our designated accessible parking spaces. These spaces are reserved for individuals with disabilities who require close proximity to the school entrance.

Please remember:

- **Not all disabilities are visible:** Please remember that many individuals with disabilities may not show outward signs.
- **Permits must be displayed:** If you have a valid permit, please ensure it is clearly visible in your vehicle's windscreen. Some individuals may have valid permits that are not always displayed.
- **Cooperation is key:** We rely on everyone's cooperation to ensure these spaces are available for those who need them.

We understand that parking can be challenging, but we ask that you be considerate of others and refrain from parking in accessible spaces unless you have a valid permit.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in making our school accessible for everyone.

**** Engines Off ****

To help reduce air pollution, noise levels, and respect our neighbour's, please remember to turn off your engine while waiting to drop off or pick up your child. Thank you for your cooperation.

For more updates and events, please visit our website and follow us on X and Facebook.

<https://www.thewhitstableschool.org.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/TheWhitstableSchool>

<https://x.com/TheWhitSchool>

Best Wishes

The Whitstable School Team



**Artsmark
Gold Award**
Awarded by Arts
Council England



ON TRACK TO EXCELLENCE

A member of Swale Academies Trust

Registered Office: Ashdown House, Johnson Road, Sittingbourne, ME10 2JS

Registered in England No. 07344732