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There is a buzz around school, all about a certain bear, who recently took part in our Friday Zoom Celebration Assembly. Our SJS bear, Beatrice, is part of the 'Bears of Sheffield' scheme to fundraise for Sheffield Children's Hospital.

The bears will raise vital funds to transform the Cancer and Leukaemia ward, treating children from babies through to 19-year olds, in South Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Derbyshire and as far south as Northampton. We are privileged to have the Children's Hospital in our city. We hope that many of you have not had cause to visit, but if you have, they never fail to impress with their modern, highly specialist facilities and dedicated staff. We hope you will help us to support their newest development through the 'Bears of Sheffield' events in school next week.

### SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

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| • Y3AH: William Foster     | • Y4KT: Izaak Teeling      | • Y5CS: Stella Wilson    | • Y6ER: Cara Nance     |
| • Y3CP: George Spencer     | • Y4RL: Vanessa Horvathova | • Y5DW: Lilly-Mai Walker | • Y6MC: Oscar Tolliday |
| • Y3RD: Nell Bowden-Lovell |                            | • Y5HK: Kira Green       | • Y6CH: Ava Hughes     |
- Mrs Foster: Luke Warnock  
Mr Tee: Trinity Bloodworth
- Lower School Lunchtimes: David Staniforth  
Upper School Lunchtimes: James Cawthorne

### WORD MILLIONAIRES

We are so proud to announce two more children who have read their way onto our roll of Word Millionaires: Congratulations to Holly Swales and Freya Hollis!

### THE BEARS OF SHEFFIELD FUNDRAISING MESSAGES

Things are beginning to get bear-y busy at SJS as our fundraising for The Children's Hospital Charity is well underway. Here's how your child can be involved.

#### MAKING BEATRICE BEE-AUTIFUL:

The time has finally come to begin making our bear Beatrice look beautiful ready for her joining the Bears of Sheffield Trail this summer. Hopefully, you received the letter this week with all the details on how your child can be involved and leave their very own unique fingerprint on Beatrice. We are hoping that everyone will want to take part and help us raise as much money as possible for the new Cancer and Leukaemia Ward at the Sheffield Children's Hospital. To take part, please return the slip and £1.00 donation as soon as possible and by Tuesday 4th May 2021.

#### THE BIG BEAR RAFFLE:

Today, your child should have brought home a letter for The BIG Bear Raffle. This letter contains your unique raffle number. If you would like to be entered into the raffle to win our brand new and beautifully wrapped, big (100 cm in height) and brown plush teddy, please return the slip at the bottom of the letter and £1.00 donation by Wednesday 26th May 2021. The winner will be chosen at random during the whole school Celebration Assembly on Friday 28th May 2021. Good luck!

#### THANK YOU:

We would like to say a big 'thank you' to Paul at PN Decor for kindly donating painting materials for Beatrice enabling us to make sure even more of your donations reach this fabulous cause!

## PE KITS FOR NEXT WEEK

Next week, children in the following classes will have PE on an alternative day due to the Bank Holiday Monday:

### Tuesday

Y4KT

### Wednesday

Y3AH

### Thursday

Y6ER

## FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF SIR TOM MOORE



One of our Y3 pupils, Amelia, has amazed her family and friends last weekend, by completing a skipping marathon. On Saturday, Amelia skipped for seven hours, an hour for every year of her age, to raise money for the NHS. Amelia set herself an original target of £500, which she has already smashed. She is now heading towards having raised £700! If you would like to support Amelia's fundraising, please visit her [JustGiving page](#).

Well done, Amelia – we are so proud of you!

## NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL DINNER MENU

WEEK 3 8/3-29/3-3/5-24/5-21/6-12/7	MONDAY <small>MEAT FREE</small>	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>MAIN DISH</b>	Pizza of the day	Sausages and gravy	Roast chicken with Yorkshire puddings	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fish fingers
<b>VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH</b>	Pizza of the day	Quorn™ sausages with gravy	Vegetarian toad in the hole	Vegetarian spaghetti Bolognese	Fish fingers
<b>ACCOMPANIMENTS</b>	Helped Seasonal vegetables Salad bar <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>	Mash potato Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Roast potatoes Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	50/50 pasta Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Chips Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
<b>DESSERTS</b>	Chips, crackers, and grapes	Sticky toffee muffins	Ginger biscuit with fresh fruit	Shortbread biscuit with mandarins	Fruit with ice cream
<b>FRESH FRUIT &amp; YOGHURT</b>	Fresh fruit and yoghurt	Fresh fruit and yoghurt	Fresh fruit and yoghurt	Fresh fruit and yoghurt	Fresh fruit and yoghurt
<b>JACKET POTATOES</b>	Jacket potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna	Jacket potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna	Jacket potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna	Jacket potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna	Jacket potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna

## SJS COVID-19 WEBPAGE

Our webpage ensures parents can access to the latest COVID information from school and Sheffield news and resources. Please visit <https://www.stocksbridge-jun.sheffield.sch.uk/covid-19-parent-information/>

# BEARS OF SHEFFIELD

## Bears of Sheffield

Help us raise funds for the new Cancer and Leukaemia ward at Sheffield Children's Hospital.

Events at SIS during May



Make Beatrice Bee-autiful (see letter)



## The BIG Bear Raffle

Win a giant teddy bear.

Keep your eyes peeled for a letter.

Bees and Bears Dress Up  
Friday 7th May  
£1



Bubble Bun Sale  
Friday 7th May  
50p per bun



Stockbridge Junior School



Learning Together

The Children's Hospital Charity

Registered Charity 1089280

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one game of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.



## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# ROBLOX



With more than 150 million users worldwide, Roblox is one of the most popular video games of recent times. Roblox allows users to create their own gaming experiences using Roblox Studio: building levels and games then allowing other people to play them. Similarly, players can play each other's creations, either on their own or with other people online. While it's a tool that can help foster creative thinking, Roblox is also intermittently in the news amid concerns over young users' safety.

### No Age Rating

Roblox is rated 7+ by PEGI, but the platform itself doesn't have a minimum age requirement. It does ask for a date of birth when registering, but this can be easily fabricated. The sheer quantity of games available on Roblox means that some will fall into teen/adult categories. Users can also interact with each other freely – and the game has, historically, attracted scammers, griefers and online predators.



### Chat Functionality

Users can join group chats with almost anyone through the Chat & Party function. While the chat has some filters, predators still try to find ways around these to prey on young children. There have been recent reports of adults pretending to be children, attempting to groom younger players and encouraging them to chat privately in an unmoderated environment away from the game.

### In-App Purchases

Robux is the in-game currency used to buy things like special outfits or emotes, and to play certain sections of the game. A subscription service (costing £4.99 per month) called Roblox Premium offers more privileges and more in-game currency. Robux can also be purchased in batches, for up to £4.99. Children can easily pay for these, or purchase a membership, without realising it.



### ODers

An 'ODer' (online dater) joins Roblox to find someone to 'date' online. While there's nothing inherently wrong with finding love on the internet, it becomes an issue in a space that's populated by children and young teens, like Roblox. Online dating is against Roblox's community guidelines, but certain player-built games on the platform are specifically for 'ODers' and should be avoided by children.

### Online Predators

Roblox's developers aim to maintain a safe place for children; they employ human moderators for their players' protection. But there will, sadly, always be individuals who try to bypass these safeguards so they can chat to children and attempt to communicate outside the game. Anyone asking for your child's personal information or to talk privately should be blocked and reported.



## Advice for Parents & Carers

### Take Note of Ratings

Recent press reports drew attention to Roblox's issues with potentially offensive content. Some players were using Roblox Studio to create games featuring nudity, sexual activity and extreme political views. In response, Roblox is introducing a ratings system which will rank content by age appropriateness, with clear warnings if a game is not suitable for younger players.



### Set Parental Controls

Roblox has controls that allow parents to moderate who their children can talk to and which games they can play. To enable these, add your email address to your child's account through the Security menu, and create a secure PIN to stop settings being tampered with. Then head into the Privacy menu where you can apply moderation to in-game chat, personal messages, invites and more.



### Disable Messages

It's advisable to block all messaging if you have concerns over your child's safety. If they're playing with friends they know in real life, encourage them to chat in another way (like on the phone), so you know exactly who they're talking to and how. Accounts can be tweaked to allow messages from specific groups of people, such as friends or users that your child follows.



### Block and Report

To report players in a game, find the Roblox symbol on screen (or the 'Settings' button on some devices). Identify the offending player and click the flag icon. Clarify why the player is being reported by choosing a reason from the list. If you think a particular game is inappropriate, you can also flag it for a moderator to check by following the same steps but selecting 'Game' instead of 'Player'.



### Encourage Creativity

It could prove a little too complex for younger children, but Roblox Studio is a great place to start learning the fundamentals of game design. Many budding developers have created Roblox games which have become popular among the community. There are plenty of tutorials on making games on sites like YouTube. You never know, your child's creation might be the next big thing!



### Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world, UNILAD Gaming and GAMINGible. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.



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