

DEVORAN NEWS

Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers

Well done to our recorder children who performed a wonderful version of 'Jingle Bells' in assembly on Wednesday – you were all so tuneful and I am sure you will impress everyone with your recorder playing over the Christmas break!

Thank you to those that attended our Christmas Carol Service last night; the atmosphere was wonderful and it was so lovely to create this special service alongside the Pre-School and to take the time to come together to reflect on the importance of friends, family and the true meaning of Christmas.

On behalf of the whole Devoran team, I would like to thank you all for your well wishes, Christmas cards and gifts that have been given over the last few days; your generosity is really quite overwhelming and I know that everyone is exceedingly grateful.

It is also important to remember that the most important gift we can give to one another is time. Time spent with one another is the most precious gift that anyone can give or receive and I hope that this holiday enables everyone to find the time to be able to spend it with friends and loved ones as we spare a thought for those who are no longer with us.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you after the Christmas break ready for the new term in January 2019.

Best wishes Miss Lock

> The PTCA have raised an incredible £2,300 this term, £1,700 of which was from the Christmas Fayre and there is still money coming in from the online auction and jam sales!

> Thank you all so much for your generous donations and contributions that you make; we are very close to our target which will help to buy another set of iPads for our children to use in their lessons. We couldn't do this without your continued support. Thank you.

School week commencing 17th December

93.6% - whole school attendance **Attendance** congratulations:

1st place is Year 4 with 97.5%!

Rest up everyone and get better over the holidays!

Key Dates

We look forward to seeing you January (both staff and children).



E-Safety Safeguarding update:

There have been a number of children talking about playing Fortnite at school. In order to play Fortnite, you should be aged 12 and above. I have attached some important guidance to this newsletter as well as some information booklets in PDF form for parents that help to ensure your child is safe online. Thank you for your continued support.



Our House Captains and Vice Captains have devised a competition for all children to help design a flag (shield) for their House.

The posters and details are on the next page of this newsletter, but over the Christmas period, if your child would like to design a shield for their House, we welcome all entries! The designs will be chosen by a group of teachers and the idea is that these designs are incorporated into a final shield design for each house. We will then make these into some flags for us to hoist outside of the school and see which house can win the



most house points! I am looking forward to seeing all the entries in the New Year.





FLAG COMPETTION

Infomation:

- It has got to be landscape. I
- · On A4 paper · Must have house · Must be coloured name+ colour on it
- .60 Deadline is Friday 11th January
- Once they're finished hand them in to the Office
- · Name on the back

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'Fortnite - Battle Royale.' is a free to play section of the game
'Fortnite.' The game sees 100 players dropped on to an
island from a 'battle bus,' where they have to compete until
one survivor remains. The last remaining player on the
island wins the game. Players have to find hidden items,
such as weapons, to help them survive longer in the game.
To make the game more challenging, there is an added twist
called 'the storm' which reduces the size of the island from
the start of camenlas, bringing the players closer together the start of gameplay, bringing the players closer together in proximity. The game is available on PC, PlayStation 4, Xbox One, Mac and iOS.



What parents need to know about **FORTNITE: BATTLE ROYALE**

MICROTRANSACTIONS

Newly featured items are released daily and are only available to purchase within 14 hours of their release. These are connects items, called 'skins', 'giders' and amotes, which charge the characters' appearance, but do not improve the goine play. Once purchased, the player has full use of these in the future. The designs are attractive for players to purchase and even celibrities are endorshing them. Also available to purchase in the game is a Battle Plass, Whom a new Battle Plass is released users can take part in a series of chollenges, receiving more awards (coursettes) by progressing through different tiers. Whichever rewards they achieve can then be used in the game.

IT CAN BE ADDICTIVE

Games can last around 20 minutes but this varies seconding to the game. Children may feel angry if they lose the game and will want to continue playing until they scheve their desired result. The competitive nature of the game may make it difficult for them to stop playing halfway through as their position in the game could be affected.

IT CAN BE PLAYED ON THE GO

The game was released on mobile devices in April 2018, meaning it can be played without the need for a home games console. Some schools have reported that the game is distracting their students while in the classroom. As the game is evaluable outside of the home, perents may not be exerce of how long their child is playing this game.

TALKING TO STRANGERS DURING SQUAD MODE

'FREE'TO PLAY
The game IS free to play. However, if playing on
Xbox, you will need an Xbox gold subscription,
which does require a fee.

NO PROOF OF AGE REQUIRED

Signing up to the game is relatively simple. Users have the option to log in with either their Facebook or Google accounts or their errail address. When signing up with an email address, no proof of age is required. If your child is under the age of 12, it is important to check whether your child has the game downloaded.

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There are many accounts on Facebook and Twitter which claim to give away here money (known as V bucks) for games which will be transferred to their Xbox Live or PSN cards. Any gives way perametion from fractine will be in the game. It is important to check the authenticity of these accounts before giving away personal infarmation in order to claim 'V bucks. The websites or accounts may ask you to share your account name and password in order to claim the money; if these offers seem too good to be true, they usually are.

AGE RESTRICTIONS

PEGI has given the gome a rating of 12+. Even though the game includes violence and weapons such as crossbows, grenade launchers, rifles, pistols, shotguns and more, PEGI say "more graphic and realistic looking violence towards fantasy characters is allowed. Any violence towards human characters must look unrealistic unless it consists of only minor or trivial injury such as a slap," making the game 'suitable' for children aged 12 and over.

Top Tips for Parents

LIMIT GAME TIME

PREVENT YOUR CHILD FROM

TALKING TO STRANGERS

There is an option to turn off the voice chat feature, which means your child wouldn't be able to talk to anybody, including their friends. However, they would still be able to se the in app chat and hear other people's conversations. To one off voice chat, open the Settings menu in the top right of the main Fortnite page, then click on the cog icon. Open the Audio tab at the top of the screen, From there, you can turn off voice chat.

LOOK OUT FOR VBUCK SCAMS

it is important that your children are aware of the council that they may come ecress entire in association with the game. Open up convenience with them about scams and how they should never share their username or password with people in order to gain anything for the pane.

RESTRICT PAYMENT METHODS

Fortistics flattle Royale' is a free to play game, but there are still options to make additional purchases. If you do not want your child to make payments, nessure your card is not associated with their account. If you are happy for your child to make payments in the game, but want to restrict spending, we suggest using a paywelecard, or a games console gift card. These can be purchased in specific amounts, which will allow you to restrict the amount your child spends and removes the need for a credit/debit card to be used with their account.

SHOW THEM HOW TO MAKE

A REPORT

If your child believes a playing or talking
inappropriately, you should advise them to report them. To
report a player, you can use the in-game feedback tool
located in the Main Mem of the game. Additionally, you can
report a player in-game when spectating them.

USE A STRONG PASSWORD





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