

Fortnightly Newsletter for Students & Families



“Achievement is outstanding because every student matters” Ofsted 2013

Dear Parents and Carers,

Finally, Spring is here! As soon as the longer examinations commence, the sun comes out to make revision more bearable. It's definitely time to make sure your children come to school with 2 water bottles rather than one, so they can keep hydrated without waiting to fill them at the water station. We are also looking to remove the plastic cups from the free squash station - to support the views of our Eco-Council and also to help everyone stay cool in the warmer weather.

We have had many conversations about trips abroad, following the recent expedition to Iceland - you are already aware of the ski trip for next year, led by Mr Palmer, but I will write to update you on some others we have planned for 2025 and 2026.



Thank you to the pupils who have been involved in recent projects with the wonderful charity, Friend in Deed who help to reduce loneliness in our older friends in care homes. We are hoping our school pups, Lola and Coco will be able to bring them some joy once they are trained too.

Wishing all Year 11s and 13s (and their families) the best of luck for the examination period - if anyone needs further guidance or support, please let us know.

Enjoy the sunshine and thank you for your support of Victory.

Naomi Palmer, Principal





Student News @ Victory



Amazing Grace has been awarded Runner Up Player of the Year in the Norfolk Football League awards! Well done, so deserved!

We are so proud of these Year 9 superstars for taking part in the Ormiston Academies Trust MathOlympics Regional Heat last week!



Ruby in Year 12 and Eda in Year 10 went to Florida last week to compete with Brave Allstars. Winning a bid is rare as it is but they actually went and won their division! We are so proud of you both!

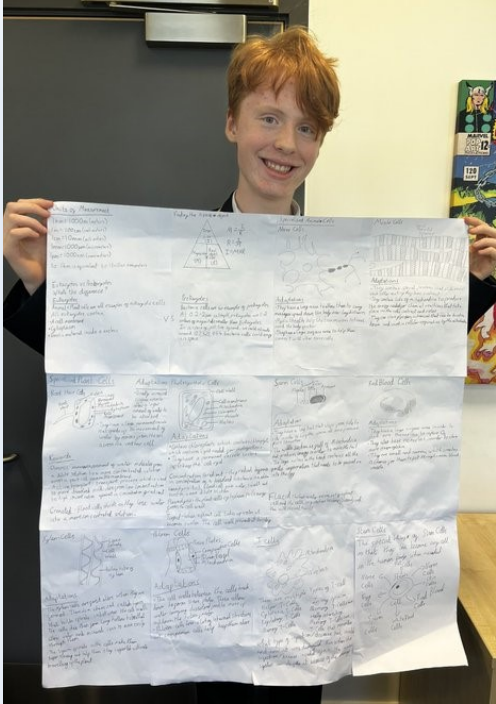


Check out these awesome book binding clubbers and their amazing work - the first to have completed binding and covering their books!





Student News @ Victory



Brilliant revision, Harry!
We are delighted with your hard work.

Our school pups have started getting into lessons!
Wonderful support



Great weather for outdoor learning - Shakespeare in the sun



Trips @ Victory

We are busy planning more trips for the coming two years - after the 'lockdown' life we know how important it is that we are able to offer these experiences to young people.

We are aware that finances are difficult at the moment for many - but we want to keep our enrichment offer strong as we know from many parents that whilst a family holiday abroad might not be possible for the next few years, our school can help our children carry on seeing the world with their friends.

I loved running the trip to Iceland with Mr Crosson-Rogers - it gave me so much joy seeing the enthusiasm the group had for travel and new experiences - it was such a pleasure to take them somewhere so exciting. Several students who came on this trip have asked for another 'cultural experience' next year, so we have been doing some research.

I know Mr Crosson-Rogers is keen to run the Iceland trip again in Spring 2025 (we would aim to offer payments over approximately 10 months) and for our potential A Level geography students, he is exploring a trip to Madagascar around Easter 2026 (aimed at current Year 10 for when they are in Year 12 to give 2 years of payments).

I have been looking into both Morocco and Naples (again we can spread the payments over almost a year). I would like to know if anyone has a preference between the two? I won't be able to run both. Please take a look at the itineraries below and if you'd like to email me expressing a preference, let me know. I will talk to Student Council to gather their views too.

Bay of Naples - June 2025 (£1100 approx):

Day 1: Flight to Naples; visit to Herculaneum - transfer to hotel in Sorrento

Day 2: Visit to a lemon farm; a pizza workshop and a trip to the Amalfi Coast

Day 3: Visit to Pompeii and Vesuvius

Day 4: Ferry to the Isle of Capri and an ice-cream demonstration (and eating it)!

Day 5: A tour of underground Naples and the flight home

Full board - except whilst travelling and 2 x lunches (we would find somewhere appropriate and reasonably priced)





Trips @ Victory

Morocco - June 2025 (£1250 approx):

Day 1: Flight to Marrakech - city tour, Souk and Medina visit

Day 2: Visit the Atlas Mountains and Berber villages

Day 3: Visit the Majorelle Gardens and travel to Essaouria

Day 4: Whole day in Essaouria

Day 5: Return to Marrakech and visit Gueliz

Again, Full Board. Possible extra charge for a potential camel ride.

Draft details for Iceland 2025 and Madagascar 2026:

Iceland 2025 (£1300):

DAY 1 FLY TO REYKJAVIK - REYKJANES PENINSULA

DAY 2 GOLDEN CIRCLE TOUR - LOCAL SWIMMING POOL

DAY 3 SOUTH SHORE - WATERFALLS, GLACIER HIKE & BLACK SAND BEACH

DAY 4 LAVA CENTRE, HELLISHEIDI POWER STATION & BLUE LAGOON

DAY 5 FLY HOME

Madagascar 2026 (£2500) - fundraising options will be available!

DAY 1 FLY OT MADAGASCAR

DAY 2 ANTANANARIVO - LEMUR PARK

DAY 3 TRAVEL TO ANDASIBE AND MANTADIA

DAY 4 ANDASIBE AND MANTADIA NATIONAL PARK

DAY 5 TRAVEL TO PANGALANES AND PALMARIUM

DAY 6 PALMARIUN FULL DAY

DAY 7 LAKE MANTASOA

DAY 8 EXOTIC MADAGASCAR PARK - RETURN TO ANTANANARIVO

DAY 9 FLY HOME

Do get in touch if you have any questions or feedback. We will be using the Find Penguins app for these trips as the feedback from families was so good.

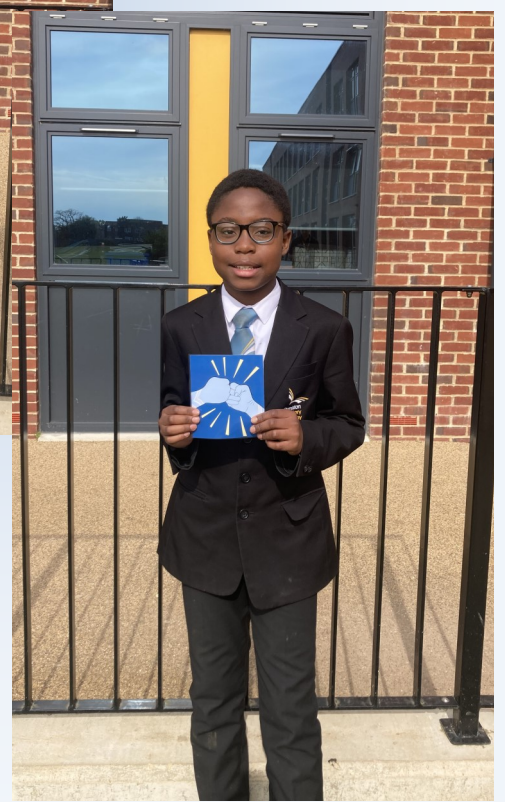
Once I have spoken to students and had any feedback from families, I will launch either Morocco or Italy with more information.



Ormiston Victory Academy

Year 7 Fantastic Fist Bump Winners @ Victory

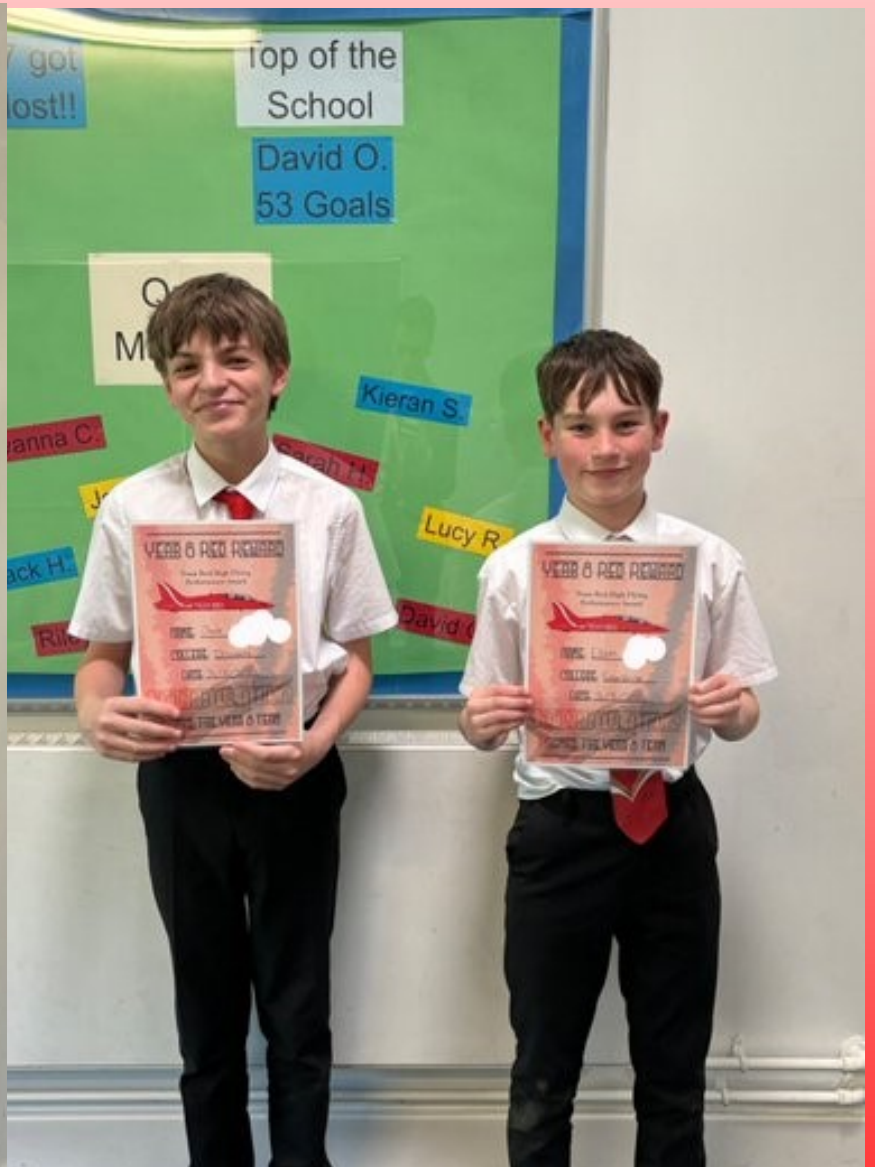
Congratulations to these Year 7 'Fantastic Fist Bump' reward winners.
Well done Wesley, Alfie, Nathan, Imogen and Skye!





Year 8 Team Red Rewards Winners @ Victory

Congratulations to these Year 8 'High Flying Team Red' reward winners. Jack, for excellent engagement during working lunches and asking high level questions; Elliot, for consistent engagement in every lesson; Annabel, for being awesome; and Freddie for much improved behaviour and attitude!





Year 10 Pink Tie Positivity @ Victory

Congratulations to these Year 10 Pink Tie Positivity winners:

Will, for an amazing attitude to learning and settled 2024;

Rokaia, for incredible preparation and application for the mock exams;

Sophia, for strength of character, and resilience;

Avery, for wonderful interactions with the Year 10 team - a pleasure to be around;

and Maison, for a mature and marked improvement in lesson effort!





Year 9 Awesome Achievement @ Victory

Congratulations to these outstanding Year 9 Awesome Achievement Award winners: Chloe; Julia; Jacob; Leo and Lilly, all for always working hard; Ilyas, for getting lots of visas; Alexia, for always being amazing; and Harley, for having a positive attitude!





Enrichment @ Victory

The best day Go Ape! with our Young Carers!
The instructor said 'they were a dream'!



Our Year 7s and 8s in some cage cricket action at Sprowston Academy.
They did amazingly well!





Enrichment @ Victory

Well done to these Year 8 boys who represented Victory amazingly at the NCFC Academy!



What a fabulous time we have had at Broadland Lodge. Thank you, Friend In Deed!



Thanks to Rob from the National Tennis Association for delivering a great Tennis Leadership session to our students so they can support in leading a KS2 event at Easton College in June!



Well done to our fabulous Year 7 girls who played in a football tournament this week. You girls smashed it!





Enrichment @ Victory

MONDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Badminton		LBU	Sports Hall	8:00-8:20
SCALE Club Week 1		AWI	Teach 10	11:00-11:20
Yr 7&8 Chess Club		OJA	Jub 8	12:25-12:55
Rounders		KZE	Field	3:00-4:00
Snack & Study Club		JCE	Library	3:00-3:30
KS3 Musical Theatre Dance Club (Aladdin)		KMC/CSM	Drama 2	3:00-4:30
Athletics		KWE	Field	3:00-4:00
Eco Club		LTU/MSH	DT2	3:00-3:45
Boys Dance		CSM	Drama 2	4.30-5.30



TUESDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Dodgeball		ECH	Sports Hall	8:00-8:20
Cricket Club		ECH	Field	3:00-4:00
Gardening Club		MSM	Allotment	3:00-4:00
Yr7-10 Maths H/W Club		NTA	Jub 7	3:00-4:00
Homework Club		JCE	Library	3:00-3:30
Illustration & Bookbinding Club		ISH	Art 2	3:00-4:00
Warhammer Club		TKI	Jubilee 2	3:00-4:00
Maths Homework Club		NTA	Jubilee 7	3:00-4:00
Ballet		ECK/ZBR	Drama 2	3:00-4:00
Lyrical Competition Team (Invite)		ECK	Main Hall	4:00-5:00





Enrichment @ Victory

WEDNESDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Indoor Cricket		ATY	Sports Hall	8:00-8:20
KS4-KS5 Pride Club Week 2		AWI	Drama Studio	Lunch B
Rounders Club		LBU/MDU	Field	3:00-4:00
Cricket Club (ONLY 15/05 & 22/05)		ATY	Field	3:00-4:00
Art Club		FRI/MPA	Art 1	3:00-4:00
Homework Club		JCE	Library	3:00-3:30
Greenpower Kit Car		DGR	DT1	3:00-4:00
Scrabble Week 2 KS3		AGL	Plat 1	Lunch A
Dungeons & Dragons		AFA	Teach 2	3:00-4:00
Coding Club		RAR	ICT 2	3:00-4:00



THURSDAY

CLUB		STAFF	VENUE	TIME
Dodgeball		KZE	Sports Hall	8:00-8:20
Yr7&8 Business Club		MPR	Meeting Room	12.25-12.55 (Lunch A)
Fashion Club		ACH	Plat Art 3	3:00-4:00
PL Kicks Football		NCFC	Field	3:00-4:00
Tennis		KPA	Tennis Courts	3:00-4:00
Snack & Study Club		JCE	Library	3:00-3:30
History Club		DTH	Teach 4	3:00-4:00
KS4 Photography Club		FRI	Art 1	3:00-4:00
HipHop (Invite only)		ZBR	Main Hall	4:15-5:30
Commercial (Invite only)		ECK/MWA	Main Hall	3:00-4:15
Duke Of Edinburgh Award Meeting		MFO	Sci 6	3:00-4:00
Maths Games Club		ECO	SEN3	12.25-12.55 (Lunch A)
SEN Boxing		DCO	External	13:30-3:30
Year 12 'Learn to Cook' Club		DJE	Plat Catering	3:00-4:00
Drama Club		LDG	Drama	3:00-4:00
UKMT Maths Club		Mr King	Jubil	3:00-4:00





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FRIDAY

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Badminton 	MDU	Multi-gym	8:00-8:20
MFL Spelling Bee 	EBA	Plat 8	Lunch A
KS3 Pride Club Week 1 	AWI	Drama Studio	Lunch A
Snack and Study Club	JCE	Library	3:00-3:30
Yr11/Sixth Form Multi-Sports 	RTI	Sports Hall	3:00-4:00
Cheer Competition Team (Invite Only provisional)	ZBR	Main Hall	3:00-4:30
Junior/Senior Dance Group (Year 7-11 open)	ECK/MWA	Drama 2	3.00-4.00
Open Cheer (Year 7-13 open)	ZBR	Main Hall	4:00-5.30pm
Dungeons & Dragons (Week 1)	RAR	ICT 2	Lunch A
Senior Dance Group (Year 9-11)	MWA	Drama Studio	3.00-4.00



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Year 11 Study Session 	JCY	VIP	3:00-4:00
Recreational Sports 	RTO	Sports Hall	3:00-4:00
Multi-Gym 	OWI	Dance Studio	3:00-4:00
Card & Board Games	ACR	VIP	3:00-4:00
Dance 	MWA	Drama 2	3:00-4:00
Running 	RCO	Sports Hall	3:00-4:00
Beauty	TWO	Beauty 1	3:00-4:00
Photography	FCA	Photo Room Plat	3:00-4:00
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Exam Invigilators @ Victory

Ormiston Victory Academy requires enthusiastic, committed and flexible invigilators for Summer 2024 examination seasons and beyond.

The busy and productive Examinations Office is at the heart of the Academy's recognised examinations success and requires a team who are prepared to work on an on-call basis to meet the varying needs of a wide range of qualifications. The post would be ideally suited to applicants who feel a sense of responsibility for today's young people and who are able to work flexible daytime hours mainly, but not exclusively, between 8.30am and 4.00pm.

This is a key post within the Academy which requires a highly efficient and responsible approach. The ability to remain calm and courteous, friendly yet professional is imperative.

Full training will be provided and working hours will be negotiated for each examination period.

The post offers a fulfilling opportunity to work with a committed support team and the young people in our successful academy community. The successful candidate will join a highly dedicated support team working within an OfSTED rated 'Outstanding', thriving and ambitious academy with high standards of student behaviour.

Ormiston Academies Trust is an ethical sponsor, committed to improving the life chances of young people. We share their vision for all young people to have the highest academic, social and practical skills to allow them to lead a fulfilling life. <http://www.ormistonacademiestrust.co.uk/>

If you are dedicated, hardworking, and have the ability to support this important aspect of our operations – then we would love to receive an application from you. We would encourage candidates to explore our website for more information about Victory Academy and view our virtual tours.

Applications are via the Ormiston Academies Trust Careers Website <https://oatcareers.co.uk>

If you require any further information regarding this post please contact Berri Lake, PA to the Director of Finance & Operations on b.lake@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk

Closing date for applications by: 9:00am on Monday 3rd June 2024

Interviews expected to be held by: Friday 7th June 2024

If interested, please apply as soon as possible as we may interview earlier.

Ormiston Victory Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment. Ormiston Academies Trust embraces diversity and promotes equality of opportunity.

All successful appointments will be subject to suitability checks in accordance with KCSIE, including identity, Right to Work, qualifications, online searches, prohibition check, two references and enhanced DBS check including Children's Barred List.



Ormiston Victory Academy's

Y11 PROM SHOP



Any donations of Dresses, Suits, Shoes and Accessories will be greatly appreciated!

For the last few years we have had a huge amount of donations of dresses and suits in loads of different sizes and styles and the students LOVED them, this year we need even more to fill the shop back up!

We desperately need more suits in all sizes but especially need some in taller sizes!



Dresses of all sizes but we really want more colour and style variety



We really need shoes both boys & girls



Please contact

a.cork@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk

if you are able to support!



JUNIOR TENNIS CAMP

BOYS &
GIRLS
5-15
Years Old

Venues

Sportspark

UEA, Norwich, NR4 7TJ

Reepham Tennis Club

Kerdiston Road, Reepham, NR10 4LQ

Taverham Tennis Club

Sandy Lane, Taverham, NR8 6JR

Hellesdon Community Tennis

Middletons Lane, Norwich, NR6 5SR

Action packed holiday camps
with team challenges, tennis
skills, games and prizes.

All equipment is provided, no
prior experience necessary.

9:00am - 11:30am*

*Times may vary so please check the website

28th - 31st May

£16 per day



nationalettennis.org.uk/camps/norfolk
hello@nationalettennis.org.uk

WHAT'S ON WOMENS



FRIDAY | STARTING 12/04 | 6:00 -7:30



WHAT'S ON JUNIORS

MINIS (UNDER 8)

9:15 - 10:15

SUNDAY

STARTING
14/04

OVER 8's

10:15 - 11:45

SUNDAY

STARTING
14/04

OVER 8's

6:15 - 7:45

TUESDAY

STARTING
23/04

All ages, genders and abilities welcome!

Please contact Jim Clarke

07916 982337 GWCCDO@gmail.com

Walcis Park, Fakenham Road

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Norwich

Parent Power

Join us for a free, bespoke trip to the University of East Anglia!

Date: Saturday 18th May

Time: 10am-2pm

Your family are warmly invited to join us for our trip to the UEA.

You and your children will have the chance to explore the UEA campus, ask questions to current UEA students and meet other parents and carers from the local area.

Free car parking and lunch will be provided.

Please sign up before 4pm on Friday 10th May.

Scan to sign up!



For more information, please contact Sophie Waring:
parentpowernorwich@thebrilliantclub.org
07398182824





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Irwin Mitchell

Just 4 Children

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Discover Your Ability

2024

Sunday

June

16th

10am-2pm

in the

grounds of Norwich Cathedral,

Norwich Lower School Playing Fields, NR1 4AA



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info@able2b.co.uk

Sign up with
QR code or at
www.able2b.co.uk



Discover Your Ability 2024

Who can get involved?

Basically, **EVERYONE**.

The challenge is **inclusive** to all ages and abilities. We use adapted bikes and specialised equipment to ensure each and every person whatever their ability can get involved. We also love to have spectators to cheer on the partakers as well as helping to raise the profile of Able2B and these amazing children.

What is DYA?

It is a challenge that pairs up mainstream and SEN pupils in aim of reducing the stigma around disability. The pair complete a challenge that involves biking, using **adapted bikes** if necessary as well as some frame runners. We have access to a whole array of bikes to ensure all children can get involved. In addition to the biking, the participants complete a walking, running or pushing (wheelchair users) challenge.

The event is to **celebrate & educate about inclusivity**.
Participants are encouraged to get sponsored for their challenge.

What about the adults?!!

A recent addition to DYA is an **adult sponsored walk**, a way to include all adults that are interested in taking on a new challenge. The adults of all ages and abilities set off around the course together with family, friends, and other volunteers to support them. A great support network and an amazing achievement.

Details?

10am-2pm

Norwich Lower School, Bishop Gate, NR1 4AA

Ice Cream Van
Coffee and Cake
Raffle
& more



Sign up using the QR code



Parents and carers letter

Dear parent/guardian,

All schools in the UK have recently been sent information from the National Crime Agency, raising awareness of the recent rise in reporting of financially motivated sexual extortion (a type of online blackmail often known in the media as 'sextortion'). Children and young people worldwide are being targeted.

This type of crime involves an adult offender (often from an organised crime group based overseas) threatening to release nude or semi-nude images and/or videos of a child or young person, unless they pay money, or meet another financial demand, such as purchasing a pre-paid gift card.

Victims of any age and gender can be targets, however a large proportion of cases have involved male victims aged 14-18.

A child or young person is never to blame if they have been a victim. Offenders will have tricked, groomed and/or manipulated them into sharing an image.

Find out more about online blackmail on [CEOP Education's parents and carers website](#).

Talking to your child

It's important to have frequent, open and non-judgemental conversations with your child about relationships, sex and being online to build trust and support them if something goes wrong. Financially motivated sexual extortion should be included in those conversations. Here are some tips about how to approach this:

- **Chat regularly about their life online:** have ongoing conversations with them about their life and time online. Continue to take an interest as they grow, explore new apps and sites together and talk in a balanced way, considering the benefits and the potential harms.
- **Talk about where to find information about relationships and sex:** organisations like [CEOP Education](#), [Childline](#) and [Brook](#) have age-appropriate advice topics such as sexual communication and image sharing. This will help your child to understand what unhealthy relationships look like, such as applying pressure and blackmail; and give them trusted sources of information to explore these topics.

- **Review privacy settings:** talk to your child about the importance of using privacy settings on their accounts to restrict who can contact them. Read CEOP Education's advice on [how to talk your child about their privacy settings](#).
- **Make sure they know where to go for support:** let them know that they can come to you with any concerns and won't be judged. It's also important to make them aware of other trusted adults or sources of support, if they feel they can't talk to you, such as Childline.
- **Make sure they know where to report:** remind your child how you can help them to report an incident to the police or using the CEOP Safety Centre. Let them know that if a nude or semi-nude of them has been shared without their consent, they can take these 3 steps to try and get them removed:
 1. Use [Report Remove](#), a tool from Childline and the Internet Watch Foundation. Your child can use this to remove images that have been shared or might be shared.
 2. Use [Take It Down](#), a tool from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Your child can use this to remove or stop the online sharing of images or videos.
 3. Report directly to the platform or app that the incident has occurred on. For advice on how to report to major social media platforms, visit [Internet Matters](#).

To learn more about what resources are available to help you support your child, visit the [UK Safer Internet Centre](#).

What can I do if this has happened to my child?

If your child tells you that someone is trying to trick, threaten or blackmail them online:

- **Don't pay, do stop contact and block:** you may be tempted to pay, but there is no guarantee that this will stop the threats. As the offender's motive is to get money, once you have shown you can pay, they will likely ask for more and blackmail may continue. If you have paid, don't panic but don't pay anything more. Help your child to stop all communication with the offender and block them on any accounts that they have been contacted on.
- **Avoid deleting anything:** try not to delete anything that could be used as evidence such as messages, images and bank account details.

- **Report to the police or CEOP:** call 101 or 999 if there is an immediate risk of harm to your child. Or you can use the [CEOP Safety Centre](#) to report any online blackmail attempts.

If it has already happened and your child has shared an image and sent money to someone exploiting them:

- **Reassure them that they've done the right thing by telling you:** make sure they know they are not to blame for what has happened and they have done the right thing to ask for your help.
Children and young people's mental health may be negatively impacted by experiences of exploitation; you can [find advice on looking after your child's mental health from the NHS](#).
- **Report to the police or CEOP:** call 101 or 999 if there is an immediate risk of harm to your child. Or you can use the [CEOP Safety Centre](#) to report an incident. If your child is 18 and over, call 101 or 999 if they are at risk of immediate harm.
- **Report any images or videos that have been shared:** help your child to remove images that are online or prevent images being shared online by following these three steps:
 1. Use [Report Remove](#), a tool from Childline and the Internet Watch Foundation. Your child can use this to remove images that have been shared or might be shared.
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CHILDREN'S FUN DAY

at the Costessey Centre,
Longwater Lane, NR8 5AH

**SATURDAY 3RD AUGUST
10.30AM-15.30 PM**

**FREE
ENTRY &
PARKING**

- Rock climbing wall
- Experiments with Mad Science Norfolk
- Picnic in the park with Dinosaurs
(Bring your own or visit our food vendors!)
- Local groups providing activities
- Fancy dress competitions, games & more
- Prizes to be won!

A day full of free activities for children of all ages to enjoy!

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