

# Canon Burrows CE Primary School

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"Our vision is of a just and harmonious society where Canon Burrows school community achieve the highest in everything we do, but we also remember those other standards; "the care, respect and help shown to others, the generosity of spirit, compassion and forgiveness. "

## Awards:

<p>CB Values Awards</p> 	<p><b><u>Perseverance</u></b></p> <p>Mrs Lataster</p>	 <p><b>Electricity Savers</b></p>	<p><b>3BR</b></p>
	<p><b><u>Courage</u></b></p> <p>Evie F and Emily H</p>	 <p><b>Tidy Classroom</b></p>	<p><b>6AB</b></p>
		 <p><b>Citizen of the week</b></p>	<p>Faye, Esme, Darcey, Phoebe, Nyla and Eva - who have supported a younger child in their own time who has struggled with their emotions.</p>



## Well done to this week's attendance winners– 4LP

Your support for your child's education is invaluable and the benefits pupils gain from being at school every day cannot be underestimated. Thank-you!





**Monday 24th July**

**2JL trip to the library.**

**Tuesday 25th July**

**Book Swap after school.**

**Thursday 27th July**

**School closes.**

**Tuesday 5th September**

**School re-opens.**



**Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the **Green fair**.**

**Watch this space to find out the total raised.**



**Well done to Nursery for an amazing Class assembly.**

**Well done to Isaac a past pupil, who is racing for Team GB in the BMX world championships. We wish him lots of luck.**

## Year 1

In Year 1 we've enjoyed looking at flags & pin pointing them on a map!



## Year 2

2RR had a wonderful time this week on their trip to the library followed by a picnic with their parents.



## Year 5

Year 5 have planted the wildflower seeds we received as part of the King's coronation celebrations. We scattered them around the tree we planted to mark the Queen's jubilee celebrations. We can't wait to see them grow and further develop the biodiversity of our grounds.



## Please Vote

Please nominate our school to be in with a chance of winning some new library books for our amazing children! Just click this link and fill out the form.

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## Sow The City

All children did an amazing job growing their own potatoes as a class. However, Ciaran awarded 2RR with the prize for growing the heaviest potatoes. Congratulations to all who took part.



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# WAPP



Get the app there:  
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LIBRARY



## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Developed in Germany, this social networking app is called W App. In the Apple Store and Google Play both it has received a rating in some territories based primarily on teens and is marked as a 'minor negativity' rating. It only users, be created with photos from their school. They can then create a positive question (usually, 'who is the nicest person?') and show four people from their school to choose from. All users from a school can appear in the poll, but just those a child is friends with. The app is mainly anonymous - but does offer a question to reveal who submitted you for each question.

## FAKE ACCOUNTS

There is no verification when signing up to W App. Once someone joins, they can use all users of their school and add them if they wish. It is possible that names, photos, school and grade - but not the ability to change it (we assume from their name) are added as they like. This concerned our expert: predators could potentially keep attempting to build connections with children at different schools.

## PROFILE OVERTHARING

Young people tend to have multiple social media accounts, so it's vital their identity is protected on-line. By default, W App shares someone's school and grade, while users choose whether to share their full name, photo and other social accounts. What people appear to reflect this, resulting in a profile for someone to build up a picture of who they are, what they enjoy and where they go to school.

## SPAMMING CONTACTS

The app's activity feed notifies a user when they have been put forward for a poll. They're given the option to reveal the name of the person who nominated them, by inviting a friend to join the app. The friend doesn't have to sign up, but they will receive a 'get this app now' text, followed by a link. This process could result in lots being continuously sent to a child's contacts.



## CATFISHING RISKS

As well as invented fake accounts, users can also sign up and pretend to be someone else from their school by joining under another person's name. Possibly with their photo, they can take part in polls with a misquoting as their other parties, some poll held on other parties or events, which - if the identity involved by imposters - could result in embarrassment and embarrassment for teens.

## SUBSCRIPTION COSTS

W App is free to download and use, but there is also a 'gold membership' package (costing £4.99 per week) available. This includes: 100 votes to reveal the names of people who selected them in polls; 10 polls per week; an 'exclusive poll' (one of which may feature a contest); young user into spending their money.

## REPEATED USE

Like most other social media platforms, W App wants users to log in regularly. Every time someone nominates a set of 10 polls, they earn virtual coins. These can be cashed in for perks such as being included in random polls (so that these users will see their) or adding their name to their school's poll. This may not seem much of an incentive currently, but that may alter as the app evolves.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### DISCUSS FRIEND REQUESTS

Talk to your child about the risk of sharing their other social accounts, especially on anonymous platforms where there is no verification - as a user can be anyone. If someone they don't normally talk to at school approaches your child via W App and suggests connecting on TikTok, Snapchat or Instagram, emphasize that it's safest to confirm it with that person face to face before accepting or replying.

### BE MINDFUL OF REJECTION

The polls in W App are designed to be complimentary rather than negative. However, never being nominated or picked by their peers could leave a child - especially a status-conscious teen - feeling ignored and isolated. If you think that W App is having this effect on your child, it might be time for a supportive reminder that social media doesn't reflect someone's true worth or popularity.

### PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

It's crucial that trusted adults regularly remind children about the importance of not sharing too much of their personal information and use good discretion in all their own social interactions, where possible. W App automatically displays the user's school on their profile - but if your child does want to use the app, you can advise them to only enter their first name and not to upload an image of their face.

### DO SOME 'APP ADMIN'

Before letting your child download W App, you may want to visit their device's settings, disable the app so that it stops receiving data (such as per week for the subscription code) and turn off location. If you're not sure if W App is causing your child to be isolated with texts leaving them to sign up to it, you could suggest asking that friend to stop selecting your child's name from their contacts list.

### Meet Our Expert

Dr. Jane Wiles is a leading expert on safety, health, education and wellbeing for the UK. She has worked with the Home Office, NHS, and other public bodies. She has written several books, including 'The Digital Parent's Handbook' and 'The Digital Parent's Handbook: A Practical Guide to Keeping Your Child Safe Online'.



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