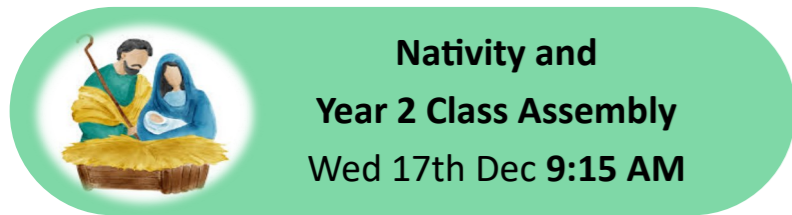




Tickets can be bought in school and the raffle will be drawn at the end of term.

Good Luck



**Nativity and Year 2 Class Assembly**  
Wed 17th Dec 9:15 AM

**CHRISTMAS PARENTS WORKSHOP**

Come and make Christmas crafts with your child. Enjoy some festive cheer and a biscuit or two whilst helping your child create some colourful artwork, cards, calendars etc. We look forward to you joining us.

Y5+Y6: Monday 15th (2:30 - 3:30 PM)  
Y1+Y2: Tuesday 16th (9:15 - 10:15 AM)  
Y3+Y4: Thursday 18th (2:30 - 3:30 PM)

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Monday to Friday 8am to 8pm and Saturday 9am to 2pm

**Last Day of Term: Friday 19th December**  
**SCHOOL CLOSSES @ 1pm**

**Christmas Break**  
Mon 22nd Dec 2025 - Fri 2nd Jan 2026

**Monday 5th Jan First Day Back - Normal Time -**

**KS2 Christmas Concert**  
Friday 19th (9:15AM)

# The Anchor News

Serving the local community in the name of Christ since 1859

12th December 2025

Our Values focus this half term is **Hope**

Hi everyone,

For those who don't know me, my name is Miss Bennett and I work in EYFS. I have worked at St. Clement's since 2018, and I have worked from Nursery to Year 6 over the years. I am really enjoying working in Nursery this year, my daughter is the same age as the children in nursery so it is just like being at home, times a few more children and a little more noise!

We are all so busy in school at the moment, there are lots of rehearsals happening for the Nativity in EYFS and KS1. KS2 are also busy preparing for their Christmas concert. Please make sure you have made a note of important dates as there are opportunities for parents to come into school next week.

Nursery have been practising our song for the Nativity, and I cannot wait to see the children dressed up on Wednesday performing to the parents. We have had a lovely week this week with Christmas lunches which were delicious as always, a huge thank you to the kitchen staff. EYFS also had a successful Christmas parent workshop today, the children and families who attended really enjoyed themselves and we all got very creative.

I hope you all have a restful and festive weekend.

Miss Bennett - HLTA

**No Afterschool Clubs next week.**

**Monday 15th - Friday 19th**

Dec	Mon 15th	Shining Stars Assembly (9:15 AM) Y5+Y6: Parent Workshop (2:30 - 3:30 PM)
	Tues 16th	Y1+Y2: Parent Workshop (9:15 - 10:15 AM)
	Wed 17th	Nativity and Year 2 Class Assembly (9:15 AM)
	Thurs 18th	Christmas Service at Aston Parish (10 AM) Y3+Y4: Parent Workshop (2:30 - 3:30 PM)
	Fri 19th	KS2 Christmas Concert (9:15 AM) <b>★ LAST DAY OF TERM</b> <b>School will close at 1pm</b>

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## Shining Star Awards December 2025

	Reading		Writing		Mathematics		Values Champions
Nur.				Rayaan			
Rec.		Ayub		Solyana		Amani	Amanah
Yr. 1		Jana		Mustafa		Naomi	Marvellous
Yr. 2		Nathanim		Tori-Lei		Summer	Lamaisah
Yr. 3	Zaiden	Chidinma	Eden	Elijah	Hareem	Maria	Kehlani
Yr. 4	Kian	Aniya	Ariya	Mariam	Murtaza	Mukhtar	Ocean
Yr. 5	Zoya	Omais	Inaaya	Bayan	Olivia	Ibraheem	Alieu
Yr. 6	Shayla	Aaban	Mercy	Shaniqua	Naomi	Eyakem	Jenson

We look forward to celebrating the children's achievements with you on Monday 15th December at 9am

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## Help us raise money for the school for free!

It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

We wanted to let you know that St Clement's Primary Academy - Nechells are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them - at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us.

You can find our easyfundraising page at

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stclementsnechells](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stclementsnechells)



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## Applying for your child's place in Reception - Sept 2026

Children in Birmingham can start school (Reception) in the September after their 4th birthday.

If your child currently attends our nursery this **does not give them automatic priority for a place in our Reception class.**

You need to apply for your child's place online at:

[eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk](http://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk)

The deadline is 11:59pm on Thursday 15 January 2026.

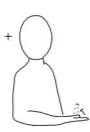
If you miss this deadline you may be offered a school place anywhere in Birmingham. Please make sure you complete the online form and if you need any help please ask us and we will do our best to support you.

## Christmas Foods

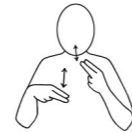
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| pudding     | candy canes | vegetables  | satsumas |
| turkey      | yule log    | mulled wine |          |
| boiled ham  | fruitcake   | gingerbread |          |
| cranberries | stuffing    | mince pies  |          |



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We hope you enjoyed your

Christmas

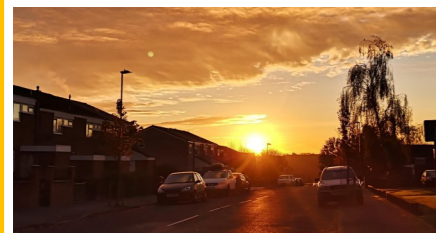
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Never give up HOPE. Situations can change over night, and problems can dissolved in the light of a new days SUN.

Leon Brown

UNICEF Rights of the Child

Article 20: Children without families Every child who cannot be looked after by their own family has the right to be looked after properly by people who respect the child's religion, culture, language and other aspects of their life.



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 of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [nationalonline.com](http://nationalonline.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

# Top Tips for SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES

In children's eagerness to start enjoying new digital gadgets immediately, it can be easy to overlook setting up the type of parental controls that can help to protect them online. If you don't sort those out from the very start, it can be an uphill battle - technologically and psychologically - to impose such controls later. Here's our rundown of what to look for when setting up the various internet-enabled devices that might be lurking under the tree at this time of year.

### IPHONE

If your child's lucky enough to be getting their own iPhone, parental controls can help avoid issues like screen addiction and unsuitable content. Go into the settings and scroll down to 'Screen Time'. From here you can customise important settings including time limits on using the device, communication restrictions and content blockers. You can also lock your changes behind a passcode.

### ANDROID

With Android devices, Google's Family Link app is your friend. You'll need a Google account - and a separate one for your child, which you should use when first setting up the device. Then, in Family Link on your own device, select 'Add Child' and enter their account details. This lets you specify limits on daily usage, restrict certain apps, block particular content and more.

### PLAYSTATION

You can prep for a PlayStation before it's even unwrapped. At [my.account.sony.com](http://my.account.sony.com), create an account, then go to Account Management > Family Management > Add Family Member to set up your child's account, which you'll use to sign in on the console. You can restrict the age ratings of the games they can play and who they can talk to. On the PS5, you can make exceptions for any games you think are acceptable despite their high age rating.

### IPAD

iPad parental controls are identical to those on iPhones. However, if you've got a shared family iPad and want to ensure your children aren't seeing anything age-inappropriate after you hand them the device, there's a feature called Guided Access (under Settings > Accessibility > Guided Access). With this switched on, young ones can only use the app that's currently open.

### XBOX

The Xbox Family Settings app helps you manage which games your child can play (and when). You'll need to set up the console with your own account and then add a child profile. Make sure your account's password protected, so your child can't alter your choices later. You'll be walked through the functions at setup, but you can also reach them manually via Settings > Account > Family Settings.

### NINTENDO SWITCH

Download the Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app on your phone, and you'll be shown how to link it to the console. Once that's done, you can limit how long your child can play each day, decide what age ratings are permitted and more. You'll also get weekly updates on how often they've used the device. These controls are accessible through the console itself, but the app is usually easier.

### WINDOWS 11 PCS

On Windows 11, account management is key. Set up the device with your own account as the admin. Then go to Settings > Accounts > Family and Other Users and create your child's account (if you've already done this on a previous PC, just log in with those details). Microsoft Family Safety (either the app or the site) then lets you control screen time, what content children can view and more.

### CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebooks' parental controls are managed via the Family Link app. Unlike an Android device, however, you need set up the Chromebook with your own account first, then add your child's. Go to Settings > People > Add Person and input your child's Google account details (or create a new account). Your child can then log in, and you can monitor what they're up to via Family Link.

### MACS

Like iPhones, parental controls for Macs are managed via the Screen Time settings. Again, the crux here is to set yourself up as the administrator before adding any child accounts. In the settings, look for Users & Groups to create your child's account, then - while on their profile - use the screen time options to place any boundaries around apps, usage and who your child can communicate with (and vice versa).

### SMART TVS

Smart TVs typically have their own individual parental controls. One of the most popular brands is Samsung - and on their TVs, you can control the content available to your child. In the Settings menu, under 'Broadcasting', you can lock channels and restrict content by its age rating. Even this isn't foolproof, however: some apps (like YouTube) might still let children access unsuitable material.

## Meet Our Expert

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