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TikTok Ban in America: Good, Bad, or Just Ugly?

By Anusha Rizwan – 11R - Head Girl

TikTok is one of the most popular social media platforms in the world, with millions of people using it every day. But there have been talks of banning TikTok in America. Why would a government do this? And what would happen if they did? Let's explore the good, the bad, and the ugly side of banning such a huge platform.



The Good – Why a Ban Might Be a Good Idea

Mental Health Benefits – Spending too much time on social media can lead to anxiety, low self-esteem, and sleep problems. If TikTok is banned, young people might spend less time scrolling and more time being active, talking to friends in real life, or focusing on studies.

Online Safety – TikTok has been criticized for exposing young users to dangerous trends and online predators. Banning it might reduce these risks.

Less Social Pressure – TikTok often makes people feel they need to look or act a certain way. Without it, there's less pressure to be "perfect" online and more focus on being yourself in real life.



The Bad – What We Might Lose

Loss of Jobs & Businesses – TikTok isn't just a place to watch funny videos; it's a livelihood for countless creators, small businesses, and entrepreneurs. Many users rely on the platform to promote their brands, sell products, or build an audience. For some, TikTok is their primary source of income.

Less Freedom – TikTok allows people to express themselves through videos. A ban might feel like the government is controlling what people can and can't watch.

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Missing Out on Trends & Fun – TikTok is a place for creativity, music, and viral challenges. A ban means missing out on fun content, trends, and global connections.

The Ugly – What Happens if TikTok is Banned?

A TikTok ban might sound like a simple solution, but the reality is far more complicated. The effects of such a ban could be messy, unfair, and even ineffective in solving the problems people are concerned about.

Banning TikTok won't make it disappear completely. Many users will turn to VPNs (virtual private networks) to access the app, making it even harder for authorities to monitor online activity. This means the ban might not fully achieve its purpose—people who want TikTok will still use it, just in a riskier way. Additionally, even if TikTok is removed, people won't stop using social media. Instagram Reels, YouTube Shorts, and Snapchat all offer similar short-video content. If TikTok is banned, users will simply move to another platform, which might have the same problems related to data privacy, screen addiction, and dangerous trends.

Final Thought – Is a Ban the Right Solution?

The reality of banning TikTok is not black and white. While it might solve some issues, it could also create new problems. Instead of a full ban, some believe that stricter privacy laws, better parental controls, and digital education would be a more effective way to make TikTok safer.

Would banning TikTok really fix the problems, or would it just push them to other platforms? That's the real question.



Khaby Lamé is the most popular TikToker in the world, famous for making videos in which he silently mocks overly complicated "life hack" videos.



Bella Poarch has the most viewed TikTok after uploading a lip sync video of *M to the B* by British rapper Millie B.

A Moment Of Reflection



**Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.**

**May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole
cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.**

**May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.**

Amen

Hello 2025

A look ahead at some exciting releases set for 2025.

Cultural Moments by Hashim Ahmed



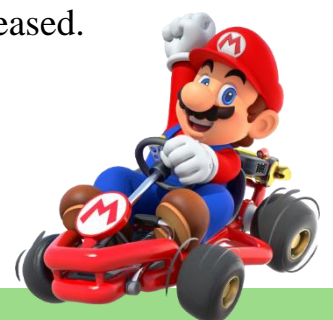
The Minecraft Movie is coming out this April.

After years of waiting, we will finally get a chance to see Steve, and the others, fight against the Ender Dragon!



Nintendo Switch 2 is being released some time this year.

Something lots of Nintendo fans have been waiting for - the Switch 2 - will be coming out this year. It will have many upgrades such as 256 GB as its main storage instead of the 32 GB. Along with it, a new Mario Kart game will also be released.





Demon Slayer Infinity Castle is being released in cinemas in September 2025.

This is great news for all anime fans & expectations are high after the success of the previous movie.



Pokemon Legends Z-A is suspected to be coming out in or around February.

Pokemon fans haven't had a new Pokémon game since Detective Pikachu Returns in 2023, so the arrival of this game has given Pokemon fans lots of excitement.



Elden Ring returns in 2025.

Perfect for players who like challenging game play and deep lore, exploration and action-packed combat.

5 minutes with...

What is your New Years resolution for 2025?

To try and get hip-hop culture on the National Curriculum.

If u could switch jobs for a day, what would you do?

Social media food taster.

If your life was a movie, what would be its title?

Manifest Your Dreams by Mr. Bennett.

How would you like to spread hip-hop culture through your community?

Organize events and festivals to inspire young kids.

If you could get rid of one piece of school technology what would it be, and why?

All of it because I hate all technology.

What is the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

"Sir did you put your finger in a plug socket because your hair sure does look like it."



Mr. Bennett



If you could have one fictional character as a teacher assistant, who would it be and why?

Superman because during free periods we could fly to McDonalds.



Who are the most important people in your life?

My wife and kids.

What is your plans for the hip-hop club in school?

To put on a festival with some of the biggest rappers in the country

What is your favourite RK game?

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

New Beginnings

2025 IS HERE, AND WE ALL HAVE GOALS – BIG OR SMALL. WHETHER IT'S TRYING SOMETHING NEW, IMPROVING A SKILL, OR JUST SURVIVING EXAMS, HERE'S WHAT STUDENTS ARE AIMING FOR THIS YEAR.



What's one new year's resolution that you have set for 2025?

Try my hardest at school and get picked for the *Excellence Club*!

If you had to pick a 'word of the year' what would it be?

Skibidi - you said I could pick some silly words 😊

If your favourite fictional character made a new years resolution, what would it be?

Isagi Yoichi and he would probably try to get better at football (from *Blue Lock*).

Yonis Mohamed – 8S

What's one new year's resolution that you have set for 2025?

To finish my 'to be read' list.

If your pet made a new years resolution, what would it be?

To stop meowing for food after he's just eaten!

If your favourite fictional character made a new years resolution, what would it be?

Kiva Meridian (the *Prison Healer* trilogy) would want to move on from her past and focus on making happier memories with her friends.

Aisha Fazeel - 10S

If you had to pick a ‘word of the year’ what would it be?

“Resilience.” It reflects the ability to bounce back from challenges and keep moving forward, which is really important in life.

What’s one thing you can do this year to be a better friend or family member?

Actively listening to others, being there for them when they need support, and making time for meaningful interactions.

What’s one way you can take better care of yourself this year?

Staying active and taking part in more sports.

Nevaeh Allie-Boulton - 8E



What’s one new year’s resolution that you have set for 2025?

Save money and spend less.

What’s one thing you want to get better at this year?

Improve my piano skills.

If you had to pick a ‘word of the year’ what would it be?

CHANGE.

Inayah Khan - 10S



The Clubhouse

Welcome to the ultimate guide to the clubs available this year!

Whether you're looking to sharpen your mind in **Debate Club**, challenge yourself in **Chess Club**, showcase your talents in **Student Spotlight**, or get active with our **Sports Clubs**, there's something for everyone to get involved in.



Holy Trinity Debate Club

Do you want to build your confidence at speaking in front of others?

Do you have strong opinions?

Do you enjoy discussing important issues?

Do you want to feel part of a team?

If you answered yes to any of these questions... then join us at Debate Club!

Thursday lunch times from 13.30 in room SCA 3

Please arrive on time, you can bring your lunch with you!

Please speak to Mr Bayliss or Mrs Smith if you would like more information.

For years 7-10-All are welcome ©

	Lunch 1.30 - 2.00	After school 3.00 - 4.00
Monday	Girls Dance club with Mrs John in the dance studio.	year 7-10 Girls Football club with Mrs Khan on the Astro Year 8 Boys Football club with Mr Hawkeswood on the Field
Tuesday	Key stage 3 Boys Basketball club with Mr Hawkeswood in the sportshall	Year 9 Boys Football club with Mr Garrison on the Astro Year 10 Boys Football club with Mr Hawkeswood on the Field.
Wednesday	Boys Badminton club with Mr Garrison in the Sportshall	
Thursday	Girls Basketball club with Mrs Khan in the Sportshall	year 7-10 Girls Netball club with Mrs John in the Sportshall Year 7 Boys Football club with Mr Garrison on the Astro
Friday	Year 11 Boys Basketball club with Mr Hawkeswood in the Sportshall	

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT sessions

Are you ready to take charge of your learning? Join us for a fun and engaging session where the student takes the role of the teacher and leads the learning.

Join us every Friday lunchtime 1:30pm in SM11.5. Please speak to Miss Ahmed for more detail

✓ Aspiring leader
✓ Build confidence
✓ Memory retention
✓ Fun and learn

Exciting News !

History Club

We are not makers of history
We are made by history

Horrible Histories at Holy Trinity


- Become a detective.
- Solve historical mysteries.
- Discover what life was really like.
- Plus much more...

Tuesdays :1:30
Room : SMA 4


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Good Things


POCKETS OF JOY FROM AROUND THE WORLD




Many Brazilians are eagerly preparing for the upcoming *Rio Carnival*, which is a joyous festival which celebrates the beginning of the season of Lent.



After 15 months of war, the fighting in Gaza has paused. Aid is now getting into the region, bringing things such as food and medicine to the people living there.




The Uzbekistan Navruz Festival (held in March) celebrates the beginning of Spring with music, dance, and traditional foods like sumalak. It's a time for renewal, unity and joy.



A Chinese woman recently celebrated her 124th birthday, crediting her longevity to a “love of lard” and an optimistic personality.

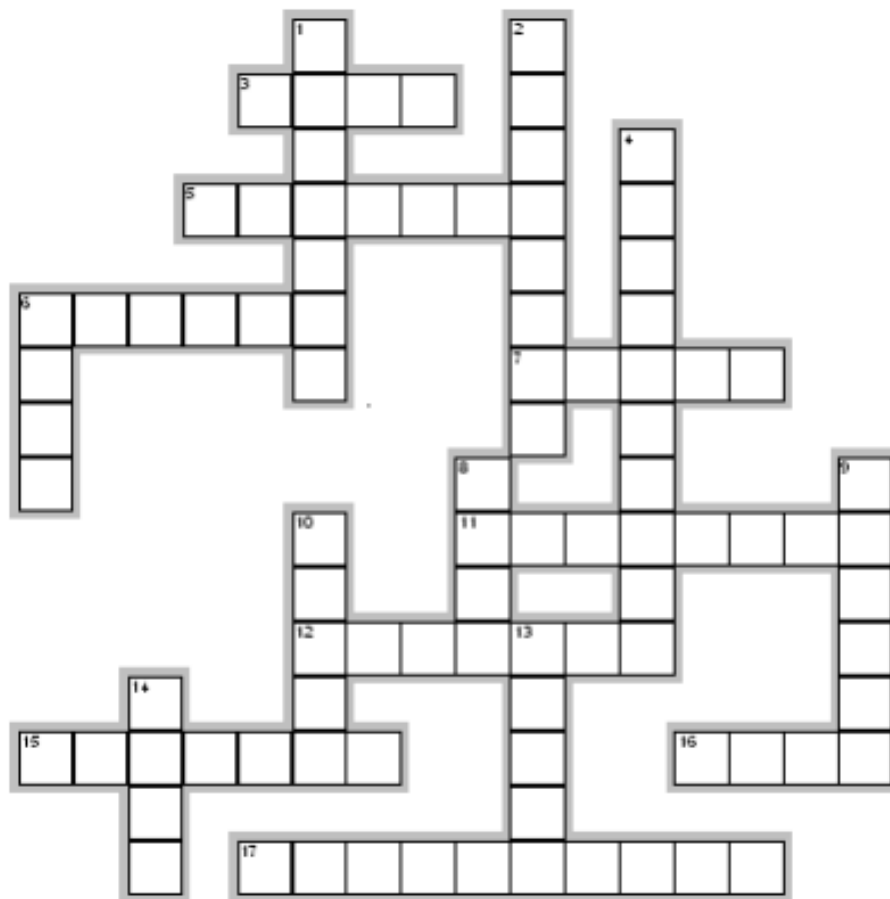


Mexico has become the first country in North America (and the 41st country in the world) to ban cosmetics testing on animals.



The U.S. has reversed the TikTok ban, which means you can keep enjoying your favourite content without worry.

3. Crossword - ARTS & MEDIA



Across

3. A group of musicians who play modern music together. (4)
5. The collective term for music, art, theatre, literature, etc. (7)
6. A large, printed picture or notice put on a wall, in order to decorate a place or to advertise something. (6)
7. Several songs or pieces of music on a CD, a record, etc. (5)
11. The people who sit and watch a performance at a cinema, theatre, etc. (8)
12. A book, newspaper, etc. that is one of several that are the same and were produced at the same time. (7)
15. A television or radio station (= broadcasting company). (7)
16. A television or radio programme or performance. (4)
17. A very popular book that many people have bought. (10)

Down

1. A room or building which is used for showing works of art. (7)
2. A short period of time between the parts of a play, performance, etc. (8)
4. When objects such as paintings are shown to the public. (10)
6. The story of a book, film, play, etc. (4)
8. A person in a play or a film. (4)
9. A report in a newspaper, magazine or programme that gives an opinion about a new book, film, etc. (6)
10. A view or picture of a film, play or show. (5)
13. A picture, especially on film or television or on a screen. (5)
14. All the actors in a film, a play or a show. (4)

Answers on the last page.

WINTER BUCKET LIST

Create your own winter bucket list – make it fun and personalised to you 😊

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HTCS SPORT

Year 7 Football

Yardley School - WON 4-2
BOA School - WON 2-0
Small Heath School - LOST 3-0
Waverley School - LOST 5-4
Moselet School - LOST 5-0

Year 8 Football

BOA School - LOST 2-0

Year 9 Football

Starbank School - WON 6-1
KESH School - LOST 4-2
Small Heath School - WON 4-1

Year 10 Football

Ark Boulton - WON 13-0
Cockshut Hill - WON 10-0
Small Heath school - WON 5-0
Moseley school - WON 6-0

Year 11 Football

Waverley school - WON 4-0

Year 7/8 Table Tennis

Moseley School - WON 8-2
Cockshut School - LOST 7-3
Small Heath - DRAW 5-5

Year 10/11 Badminton

1st place

Solution

Across

3. BAND
5. CULTURE
6. POSTER
7. ALBUM
11. AUDIENCE
12. EDITION
15. CHANNEL
16. SHOW
17. BESTSELLER

Down

1. GALLERY
2. INTERVAL
4. EXHIBITION
6. PLOT
8. PART
9. REVIEW
10. SCENE
13. IMAGE
14. CAST