

STILLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN



Good morning everyone,

What an incredible start to the Spring term we have had here at Stillington Primary school!

It has been lovely teaching in class over this half term to see how much progress the pupils have made with their independence and confidence as well as seeing what amazing work is taking place. A huge well done to everyone for such a fantastic half term!



Stillington Clubs

Please find below our extra-curricular clubs for Spring 2 term, beginning the week commencing the 24th February. Wrap around care is available from 8am - 6pm daily with Miss Cole. Please note that to book into wrap around care until 6pm, you must book in at the start of the half term for the remainder of that half term. To book a place, please use parent pay.

Stillington	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday
Club	Science led wrap around	DT club*	Art around the world led wrap around	Cooking led wrap around	SATs club*	Fun led wrap around
Leading Adult	Miss Cole	Miss Spring	Miss Cole	Miss Cole	Mrs Hunter	Miss Cole
Time	3:30-4:30pm	3:30-5pm	3:30-4:30pm	3:30-4:30pm	3:30-4:15pm	3:30-4:30pm
Number of sessions	5	5	5	5	6	5
Age	R-Y6	KS2	R-Y6	R-Y6	Y6	R-Y6
Cost per club session	£4.50	Free	£4.50	£4.50	Free	£4.50
Maximum capacity:	10	10 (Wrap around – 10)	10	10	8	10

*DT club – Please see the dates for the DT club

Tuesday 25th

Friday 7th March

Tuesday 11th March

Tuesday 18th March

Tuesday 1st April

*SATs club - On Thursday, if you require wrap around care after SATs club, please book in from 4:30pm.

House Points

A huge congratulations to pupils in Atinuke who won our house points for this half term! Pupils in the house will receive a non-school uniform day on the first Friday back after the holidays. A note will be in your child's planner if they are in the house.

I would like to wish you all a lovely and restful half term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back into school on Monday 24th February.

Kind regards,
Miss India Tordoff
Head of School



KS1 Dalby Forest trip.

On Friday 14th March, KS1 will be visiting Dalby Forest to take part in a selection of forest-based activities, linked to our Science and Geography curriculum. We will be travelling by coach, leaving at 9am so all children will need to be in school at **8:45am** to allow for a prompt departure. We will be returning before the end of the school day. All children will need a water bottle and packed lunch. To order a school packed lunch, please email the school office with your choice of ham, cheese or tuna sandwiches before Wednesday 26th February.

Dalby forest is an outdoor venue, and children may get wet and muddy, so please send your children in school uniform, with appropriate outdoor clothing to layer on top, including coats, waterproofs, gloves, hats and wellies/walking boots.

Dalby forest have made us aware that deer ticks may be present in the forest so please ensure children's arms and legs are covered with clothing. Please be aware so that you can look out for these after our visit.

To cover the cost of the bus, entrance, and activities, we would appreciate a voluntary contribution of £11 per child, which will be added to parent pay. Please log in to parent pay to give **consent** for your child to go on the trip.



Instagram 13+

Continuing, on from previous weeks and a focus on keeping children safe online, please find in this week's newsletter information on Instagram. Instagram is one of the most well-known social media platforms around, frequented by users of all ages all over the world, and allowing them to share photos and videos with friends, family and the wider public if they wish. The site has many younger users and although 13+, often these users are younger.

As a popular choice of platform, it's vital that parents and educators understand the risks associated with the site and what can be done to mitigate them. This free guide attached lets you know about the most prominent safety concerns on Instagram, offering expert advice on how to make young people's experiences on the app as secure as possible. So you can absorb this invaluable information while you're on the go, there is also an accompanying podcast version of this guide [in a podcast format](#).

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about INSTAGRAM

Instagram is a highly popular social media platform with over 2 billion active monthly users. The app is continuously updating and adding new features to meet the wishes of its millions, making them be vigilant through and address their Instagram feed, create alternative content, go live, exchange private messages or explore and follow other accounts that catch their eye.

13+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

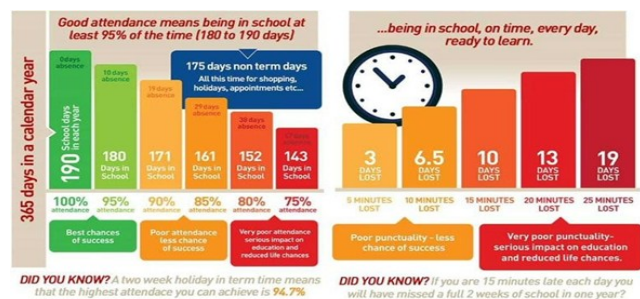
- ADDICTION**: Many social media platforms, including Instagram, are designed to be addictive. They use algorithms to show you content that is most likely to keep you scrolling. This can lead to spending too much time on the app, which can impact your mental health, sleep, and schoolwork.
- UNREALISTIC IDEALS**: Children may see images of people who appear to be living a perfect life. This can lead to unrealistic expectations and feelings of inadequacy.
- GOING LIVE**: Understanding the dangers of going live on Instagram is crucial. Children should never go live without parental permission and should never share personal information.
- AVOID GOING PUBLIC**: If you're not ready to share your content with everyone, you should keep your account private. This means only people you approve can see your posts.
- USE MODERATORS**: Parents should monitor their child's account and use Instagram's reporting tools to flag any inappropriate content.
- MEET OUR EXPERT**: The National College provides expert advice on digital safety for schools and parents.

ADVICE FOR PARENTS & EDUCATORS

- HAVE AN OPEN DIALOGUE**: Talk to children about the benefits and risks of social media. Encourage them to share their concerns and feelings.
- MANAGE LIFE COUNTS**: Discuss the importance of not posting anything you wouldn't want your friends, family, or the public to see.
- FOLLOW INFLUENCERS**: Encourage children to follow influencers who promote positive messages and healthy lifestyles.
- BALANCE YOUR TIME**: Set limits on screen time and encourage children to engage in other activities like sports, reading, and spending time with family and friends.

Wake Up Wednesday | The National College

School Attendance



Our whole School Attendance is

90.07%

As a school we aim for 95% attendance from all our pupils. We realise this is not always possible when your child is poorly. We are sure you will agree we all want our children to succeed and good attendance is proven to give children the maximum learning time possible.

Wow Work



Miss Katie Allwood

Wow Work - KS1 = EYFS / YEAR 1 & 2

EYFS - In EYFS, we have loved building structures with our blocks and junk modelling and exploring polar animals and icy habitats.

We have finished off our final week with lots of fun activities to consolidate our learning.

KS1 — We have been etching and printing with bars of soap, designing a synagogue and playing a couple of games of netball.

We can't believe how fast it has gone this half term. We have had lots of fun and cannot wait to be back after the holidays!



Mrs Catherine Hunter

Wow Work KS2 / YEAR 3 TO 6

Everyone had a brilliant time at the Young Voices concert this week! Thank you all the parents who came and supported us. The concert was then followed up with our DT day, where the children were able to finish off their long-planned DT projects. All children had a wonderful time and were rightly very proud of the work they produced. All of the children have worked very hard this half term, and deserve a well-earned rest.



STILLINGTON PRIMARY DIARY DATES

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>
Spring half –term	Friday 14th February 2025 (Last Day) Monday 24th February (First Day Back)	
Nursery & Reception Dreamery Gardens	Wednesday 26 th February 2025	KS1 children to be in school by 8.45am, bus leaves at 9am, returns by Packed lunch is required, this can be ordered from the school office or parents can provide their child’s meal. A voluntary contribution of £16 per child all-in-one suit and a pair of wellies
Special Lunch World Book Day	Thursday 6th March 2025	Magic meatballs Hufflepuff (V) Slytherin topped spuds Ollivanders wands Ravenclaw Slaw Goodwin’s chocolate extravaganza
KS1 Dalby Forest trip	Friday 14th March 2025	KS1 children to be in school by 8.45am, bus leaves at 9am and return by the end of the school day. Packed lunch is required, this can be ordered from the school office or parents can provide their child’s meal. Outdoor clothing is required: coats, water-proofs, gloves, hats and wellies/walking boots.
KS2—Cinema Visit Kensuke’s Kingdom	Tuesday 18 th March 2025	Permission to be given through parent pay. A voluntary contribution towards the cost of the bus of £8.50. Further details will be sent after half term.
Special Lunch Easter	Monday 31st March 2025	Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding & gravy Veggie sausage (V) Potatoes Carrots & broccoli Easter chocolate nest
Easter	Friday 4th April 2025 (Last Day) Wednesday 23rd April 2025 (First Day)	
May Day Bank Holiday	Friday 2nd May 2025 (Last Day) Tuesday 6th May 2025 (First Day)	
Special Lunch Street food	Thursday 15th May 2025	Chicken nuggets Veggie nuggets (V) Skinny fries BBQ beans Doughnut muffin
Summer Half—Term	Friday 23rd May 2025 (Last Day) Monday 2nd June 2025 (First Day Back)	
Summer	Friday 18th July 2025 (Last Day)	

