



## Stillington Primary School

### Weekly bulletin Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026



Good morning everyone,

I hope you have all had a brilliant week!

The week commencing the 26<sup>th</sup> January is story telling week at school. As such, we are asking for volunteers to come and read to our pupils at 3pm each day to inspire awe and wonder to our pupils through the power of words in stories.

If you or a member of your family would like to come into school and share your favourite children's book to a specific class or even the whole school, please do let your child's class teacher know.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Thanks,  
Miss Tordoff  
Head of School



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## Wow Class work



### EYFS and Year 1 & 2 – Miss Allwood

This week in EYFS we have been exploring our writing. Reception have been writing wanted posters to try to catch the big bad wolf, we worked on writing our sentences independently and did a super job.

KS1 have been exploring the difference between life in Brazil and life in our local area. The children have been really interested in this and really enjoyed comparing the two.

### Y3,4,5,6 – Miss Jackson

This week in Key Stage 2, in English we have been exploring character descriptions and have started to write our own. In Maths, Years 3 and 4 have been exploring multiplication and division, and Years 5 and 6 have been exploring adding and subtracting fractions. In Science, we have been labelling the parts of a circuit and figuring out what happens when we change different components within the circuit.

In French we have been looking at different sports and which sports are played or done and thinking about how we would say that in French. In PSHE, we are learning about money and jobs, we have been really thinking about how money is spent and what we should prioritise when spending money.



### SATS Booster Club

Starting on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January there will be a SATS Booster Club, this will run every Thursday after school starting at 3.45pm and finishing at 4.30pm. This is for all Year 6's and if they are attending, can parents please book them in via Arbor. Thank you!

## **Important Information About AI Chatbots and Online Safety**

We want to make families aware of an increasing online trend: the use of AI chatbots by children and young people. While many AI tools can be helpful for learning, creativity and homework, there are also platforms that present significant safeguarding risks.

What Are AI Chatbots?

AI chatbots are websites or apps that allow users to type messages and receive human-like responses. Some are educational and well-moderated — others are designed purely for adult entertainment or unregulated role-play.

Examples of High-Risk AI Chatbots Children May Encounter

Below are some platforms currently active online. These are not suitable for children and contain features that make them unsafe:

### **1. Janitor AI**

Website where users can interact with “characters” created by other people. Many characters contain adult, graphic or sexual content. No strong age verification — children can click “I am over 18” and gain access. Conversations may be intimate, explicit or emotionally manipulative.

### **2. Character.AI (c.ai)**

A popular chatbot site where people create custom characters. While it claims to moderate content, many characters still:

**Bypass filters**

**Role-play adult or inappropriate scenarios**

**Encourage emotional dependency**

**Children may think they are “chatting to a friend.”**

### **3. Replika**

An app designed for adults to create an AI “companion.” Permits romantic and intimate interactions.

Marketed to adults but has no robust age checks. AI can mirror emotions, which may confuse or manipulate younger users.

### **4. Chai App**

Extremely popular with teenagers because it looks like a harmless chat app. Actually hosts NSFW, adult role-play, and unmoderated conversations. AI characters often “push boundaries” to keep the user engaged. Rated 17+ but widely used by younger children.

### **5. Botify AI / CrushOn.AI / VenusAI**

(These appear frequently on TikTok and Instagram adverts.) Marketed as “fun chatbots” but contain explicit adult content. Designed purely for 18+ role-play. AI encourages sexualised or emotional conversations.

### **Why These Platforms Are Risky for Children**

AI chatbots can expose children to:

✓ Sexual or explicit content

Often graphic, unmoderated and accessible within seconds.

✓ Violent, disturbing or dark themes

Including self-harm, horror, or abuse role-play.

✓ Emotional manipulation

AI can appear caring, affectionate or “attached,” encouraging oversharing.

✓ Inaccurate or harmful advice

AI may present unsafe suggestions as fact.

✓ Hidden or secretive use

Conversations are private and cannot be easily monitored by parents.

### **How Parents Can Help**

- Check your child’s apps, browser history and downloads.
- Talk openly about not chatting with AI chatbots designed for adults.
- Remind children never to share personal information with online bots.
- Enable parental controls, app restrictions and safe-search settings
  
- Encourage children to speak to a trusted adult if anything online worries them.

If You Are Concerned, please contact us. Our safeguarding team is here to support and advise families.

## Free school meals

Free school meals are available to all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils and to children whose parents receive certain benefits.

You could save up to £450 a year with free school meals for your child. School meals can also save you time and provide peace of mind that your child is enjoying a healthy, fresh, and nutritious meal at lunchtime.

### Free school meals for all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals under the Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme. You do not need to complete an application form, just get in touch with your school and they can arrange this for you.

Although this is not means-tested, if you do qualify for any financial support shown below, we would encourage you to complete our online form as this could enable your child's school to claim the Pupil Premium Funding to further support them.

### Free school meals for all years for pupils whose families receive financial support

If you get certain benefits, your child could also qualify for free school meals during all school years. To qualify you must be receiving:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Please note that contributions-based benefits, including contribution-related Jobseekers' Allowance do not entitle you to claim free school meals.

To apply please click the link: [https://fisportal.northyorks.gov.uk/Synergy/fsm\\_prereq.aspx](https://fisportal.northyorks.gov.uk/Synergy/fsm_prereq.aspx)



## THE LITTLE GYM CAMPS

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## Dates for the Diary

End of term – Last day of school	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February
Start of term – First day back	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February
Parents Evening	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 5:00-7:00pm
Parents Evening	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March 3:30-5:30pm