



# Stillington Primary School Weekly Bulletin 27th October 2023



## Infants



This week, in the Infant Class, we have been fascinated with our natural world. As we finish off this half-term's topics, the children have been really enjoying our final lessons where we wrap up our learning in each area.



In Nursery and Reception, we have been discussing our fears and thinking about what we can do when we are scared—this has linked to our class text. We have also been printing with leaves, cutting up fruit and vegetables and cleaning our new pumpkins in preparation for carving them after the holidays!



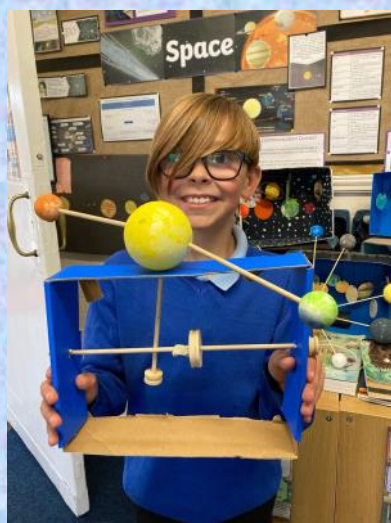
In Years 1 and 2, we have been creating some lovely diary entries—the children have really excelled in this example of extended writing. We have also been learning how to add and subtract increasingly larger numbers and the children have enjoyed using their knowledge to teach the younger children these skills, too.



## Juniors



This week in the Junior Class, we have been creating CAM mechanisms in DT to display an aspect of our solar system. The children have been developing the skills over the past 7 weeks to get a working CAM system and were delighted with their end product.



Today's Fantastic Friday celebrations are going well! We are exploring different religious festivals around the world. The children have researched their festival and are meeting up, today, with children from Terrington and Foston on MS Teams to present their research to them.

Our pupils are looking forward to a well-earned week off for half term (as are the staff!) We hope everyone has an enjoyable break and comes back refreshed for the run-up to Christmas!



## Message from the Headteacher



Mrs Sarah Moore

### KS2 Residential Visit

We have now reserved our residential trip to High Adventure, Keighley. Thank you for expressing interest through the Forms Questionnaire. **A place will be reserved for your child when you pay the £25 deposit via ParentPay. This payment and permission is due by 17<sup>th</sup> November.** This cost is essential for all pupils to ensure they have a place secured for the trip. The final payments will be collated and added to ParentPay when all deposits have been paid to ensure accurate final numbers. We approximate that the total cost will be £120.

### Attendance update:

The total attendance for this half term is **93.42%**

## Message from the Governors



Mrs Corinne Cross

As you know, all parents and carers of children at Foston, Terrington and Stillington Schools received a letter on 22 September 2023 to invite nominations for the vacant Parent Governor position on the FST Primary Schools Federation Governing Board. The closing date for nominations has now passed.

As only one nomination was received, there is no need to go to a ballot. We are delighted to inform you that **Mr Tim Munro is duly elected (unopposed) to serve on the FST Primary Schools Federation Governing Board.**

We would like to thank Tim for his participation in the process and hope that he will find the Governor role interesting and rewarding.

## Housepoints

Dear Stillington children,

We are writing to you to inform you of the house point results and we ended up concluding with:

**1st: Atinuke= 244**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Beatrix Potter= 243**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Lewis Carroll= 221**

**4<sup>th</sup>: Dr Seuss= 213**

The prize for Antinuke, who won the house point competition, is a **non-school uniform day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.**

Sincerely,

Terrington Y6 boys (Stan, Jed and Henry)



## KS1 Trip—Castle Museum—reminder

Date: **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November.**

Cost: **£9 per child**, on ParentPay – please also **give permission on ParentPay.**

All children will need a **packed lunch.**

Please **drop your child off at 8.45am** on this day. Children will return to school for usual collection by 3.15pm. They should wear school uniform as usual, with sturdy and practical shoes, and should bring a jacket and a water bottle.



## Stillington Wrap Around Care Clubs—Nov/Dec

Please find below **Miss Cole's planned club activities** for next half term.

Day	Club	Details
Monday	<b>Games</b>	We've been learning about games from other countries. Mancala, an African
Tuesday	<b>I.T</b>	Can we learn to animate?
Wednesday	<b>Pretty Prints</b>	We'll be exploring simple printing techniques to produce a unique piece of art.
Thursday	<b>Cookery</b>	We'll be looking at recipes from around the world. Most especially Autumn, Winter and Christmas food. The first recipe is one of my family's favourites— 'Teisen Fala' Welsh Apple Cake)
Friday	<b>Crazy Science</b>	More crazy science experiments! A great way to end the week.

All the clubs last from 3.30 to 4.15 and cost £3 per session (£2.50 for siblings). **Please book these directly with Miss Cole** until Mrs Mensah is replaced. Children staying later have a choice of different activities or a chance just to chill out.

## Yorkshire Arboretum—Half-term Activities

We are looking forward to meeting you all again on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**, during half term for **Nature Rangers**. We will be having an autumn theme for this event, with games, crafts and activities about nocturnal animals including making a clay hedgehog. There will be opportunities for exploring the grounds and collecting but also to become creative in the inside space. The café will be open, serving drinks and food.

Please book below:

[Nature Rangers Day 30.10.23 — Yorkshire Arboretum](#)

**We also have events during half term to plant acorns:**

[Grow Your Own Oak 29.10.23 — Yorkshire Arboretum](#)

[Grow Your Own Oak 01.11.23 — Yorkshire Arboretum](#)



## Shoebox Appeal

Would you like to make up a Christmas gift for a child in another part of the world (eg Africa, eastern Europe etc) who, otherwise, will not receive anything ?

Choose the age of the child and whether it is for a girl or boy. Pack the box with personal care items, school supplies, fun toys and a special item (eg cuddly toy, football with pump). Donate £5 towards the cost of transport to the foreign country.

Complete the box and leave it at the back of St Nicholas church **by 8th November** at the very latest .

Specially printed boxes are available to pick up **at the back of St Nicholas church**, together with a leaflet of instructions. Any questions - please contact Margaret Price 01347 811262



## Church after-school club

**Calling all children of Primary School age!**

**Explorers**, the Christian after-school club, will be running again this year from Friday 10 **November to Friday 1st December**. We will meet in the Methodist Church from **3.30 to 4.30pm**. Enjoy some fun with craft activities, Bible stories, songs and games!



All welcome. **More information from Margaret Price:** 01347 811262 [pricehm870@gmail.com](mailto:pricehm870@gmail.com)

# 2023-24 KEY DIARY DATES



Date	Event
	AUTUMN TERM 2023
Fri Oct 27th	FOSS Bingo/Pie & Pea night 7pm at the <a href="#">Stillington Sports and Social club</a>
Oct 28th–Nov 5th	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>
Nov 14th & 16th	Parents' evening (5-7pm on 14th <b>or</b> 3:30–5:30pm on 16th)
Wed Nov 15th	KS1 Trip to Castle Museum (all day) Year 3/4 football & dodgeball event in Malton (afternoon)
Thu Dec 14th	Christingle and Nativity 4:00pm
Wed Dec 13th	Visit to pantomime in York
Fri Dec 15th	Christmas dinner and party
Fri Dec 22nd	Fantastic Friday
Fri Dec 22nd	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>
	SPRING TERM 2024
Tue Jan 9th	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS</b>
Feb 8th–16th	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>
Fri March 22nd	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>
	SUMMER TERM 2024
Tue April 9th	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS</b>
May 25th- Jun 2nd	<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>