

Our next PTA meeting will be at 7pm on Tuesday 16th March REVISED DATE: Please join us on Zoom to plan the next series of events.

Safer Internet Workshops: We have arranged two online workshops for parents. This is an opportunity not to be missed and I would urge you to put one of the two dates in your diary.

The sessions will be run by Kat Howard, an expert in e-safety. The focus will be on helping you to ensure your children stay safe when on the internet. There will be wide ranging and relevant topics of discussion including an overview of the most popular social media sites, many of which (eg TikTok) pose a real concern in terms of safety.

Session 1: THURSDAY 4th MARCH at 6:30 – 7:30pm

Session 2: THURSDAY 11th MARCH at 6:30 – 7:30pm (this will be a repeat of the first session)

I cannot recommend this highly enough. [Details of how to log-in are below](#)

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The first World Book Day at home! On Thursday 4th March, you are invited to dress up as your favourite book character for school or your online lessons!

With many shops closed, you may want to recycle your costume from last year or create a new one from the clothes you have at home. Perhaps you could get really creative and make one with old materials or things that would otherwise be thrown away.

On Thursday 4th March you can upload a photo of yourself onto Teams and each teacher will choose their most impressive and creative World Book Day costume. The winner from each class will be announced in assembly on Friday 5th March.

Book tokens: This year, we will be sending out book tokens via email. You can get £1 off a full-price book, or you can purchase one of the special £1 books that have been released especially for World Book Day.

All this information has been sent out at the start of this week – please check your in-box.

Friday 5th March: All the staff team will be in school preparing for the full school re-opening. There will be no provision for our Critical Worker Plus group and no online lessons set. Please go to our website if you want meaningful learning opportunities
<https://www.newislingtonschool.org/home-learning/>

Monday 8th March: All pupils in all classes must attend school from Monday 8th March. An initial information sheet has already been sent out. Attendance will be tracked and monitored as usual, and timekeeping is essential. We expect full school uniform (including regulation PE kit) to be worn. Thank you for supporting your children in their ongoing education.

Wraparound: There will be no wraparound provision (before or after school) until after Easter.

Snacks: If children bring a snack to school, these must be a healthy snack (no crisps, biscuits, sweets or chocolate). There must be NO NUTS at all please.

Easter Holiday Club: We will be offering (for the first time) childcare for the Easter holiday camps. This will be run by our Games Coaches from Junior Sports Stars. More details to follow.

Interesting wellbeing reading: Here is a collection of excellent resources for parents, to support wellbeing at home.
<https://padlet.com/stockportbss/vxajteb09v8n8lk>

The AstroTurf is complete! It is waiting for you all to enjoy.....



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