

## Lillington Nursery & Primary School - Attendance Matters Newsletter

Welcome to the third edition of our attendance matters newsletter. This month we recognise some of the barriers to attendance success for children with additional needs. Our team at Lillington are continually working with pupils and families to ensure that every child benefits from the education they are entitled to. We are committed to ensuring every child feels safe and valued whilst attending Lillington Primary. Mrs Khara, Learning Mentor and Mrs Brown, SENCo work closely together to liaise with multiple agencies to help facilitate the most suitable in school plan for pupils with additional needs. If your child is worried about school or something else about being in school, please do speak to us so that we can work together to help.

Our Learning Mentor, Mrs Khara shares some useful considerations from Beacon School Support.

When children do not want to come into school and there is no identifiable cause it is an instinct to want to reassure children, however, as counter intuitive as it may feel offering excessive reassurance can make a child feel more anxious and that there must be something to worry about.

When our children are upset it is natural that this will impact upon ourselves. However, so that we can ensure we are able to co-regulate with our children and help them with their emotions we must be able to self-regulate and that means looking after ourselves. In times of need it is not selfish to make sure you are OK to ensure that you can help someone else. Eat well, sleep well, take some fresh air and breathe.

You can access free support resources as a parent from Beacon by signing up for some of the free recourses and content. [Free behaviour resources \(beaconschoolsupport.co.uk\)](https://beaconschoolsupport.co.uk).

# LILLINGTON ATTENDANCE CELEBRATION

## Lillington Whole School Attendance. NOVEMBER.

		Vs Oct
Reception, Bevan	91.7%	- 3.7%
Year 1, Darwin	91.4%	- 2.6%
Year 2, Peake	93.1%	- 2.4%
Year 3, Drew	88.4%	- 4.3%
Year 4, Hopper	96.1%	+ 1.4%
Year 5, King	93.1%	- 2.8%
Year 6, Fitzgerald	92.4%	+ 2.2%
Maple	96.9%	+ 4%
<b>WHOLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>92.9%</b>	<b>- 1.1%</b>

LNPS  
Attendance

Target

95%

Termly 100% Cinema



Invitations to the exclusive 'LILLINGTON FLIX' will be handed out on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December, during our celebration assembly.

'LILLINGTON FLIX' will take place after school on Tuesday 16 January 3.30pm to 5.00pm.

As at the end of November we have 50 pupils on track to enjoy this experience!



\* All films are 'U' rated and suitable for all.

# LILLINGTON SPOTLIGHT

## WE ARE HERE TO HELP SUPPORT WITH PUNCTUALITY – PLEASE ASK.

**Punctuality** : It is important that your child attends school every day and on time. Arriving late to school is unsettling for children and disrupts the start to their day. Did you know? 10 minutes late every day adds up to 33 hours lost learning each year.

**Routines** : The easiest way to ensure your child attends school on time every day is to establish a good evening and morning routine. Mornings can be hectic in every household. Preparing as much as possible the night before will help a great deal. The Lillington school gates open at 8.35am and your child(ren)'s teacher will welcome them into their classroom. The school gates close at 8.45am please ensure your child is in class before the registers close.

**Late** : If your child arrives after 8.45am, please accompany them to the school office to sign in late. These late procedures are in place to help ensure that every child is entered onto the register correctly and can be accounted for in the event of an emergency. This is to ensure the Health and safety of your child(ren) and we thank you for your support with making sure that these procedures are always followed.

## Tips to help with arriving at school on time each day.

Make sure your child knows why school is important and get everything ready together the night before school.

Show your child(ren) that you are interested in what they have achieved at school each day.

Set an alarm for your child and create a beat the clock game at home.

If you are unable to arrange appointments outside of school hours, please bring a copy of the appointment card to the school office.

Pictures of the morning routine can help some children establish a morning pattern.  
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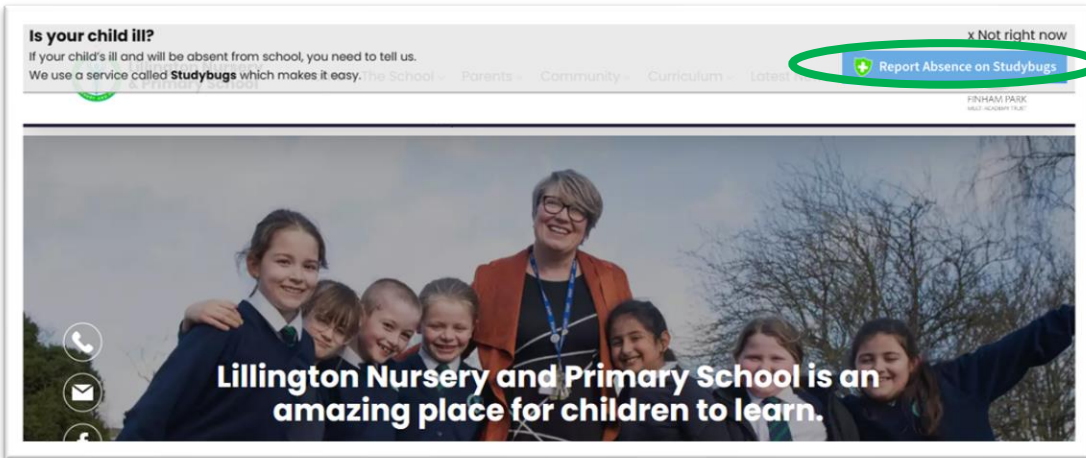
Catch an earlier bus or leave home a little earlier if you walk to school.

# REPORTING ABSENCE AT LILLINGTON

## What to do if your child is poorly and off school?

Reporting your child absent from school is important and must be done at the beginning of each day of absence by 8.45am. Please follow the instructions on How to use Study Bugs. Thank you for your support.

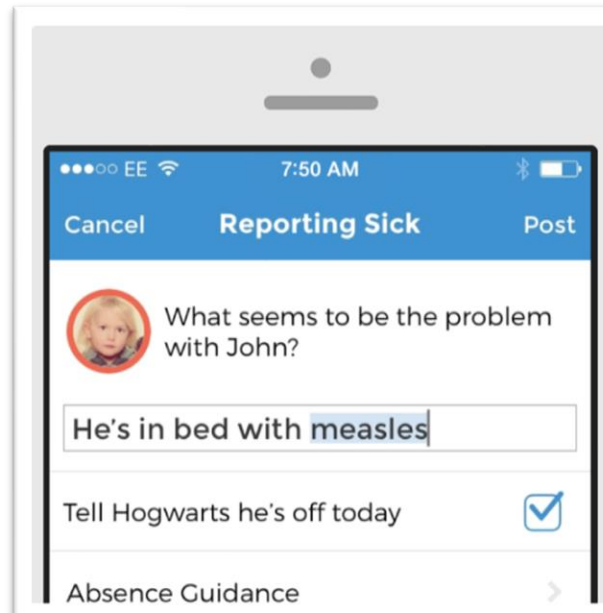
From your mobile phone visit our school website : [Please click here to report your child absent from school.](#)



Click on the Studybugs icon which will appear as a banner at the top school home page. You can download the app for free.



Please report your child(ren)'s absence by 8.45am and for each subsequent day, regardless of the reason.



## A better, safer way to report when your child is sick and off school.

With a few quick taps or clicks, you can give your child's school all they need to record absence due to illness.

Get the free mobile app now...



...or register online to use via your web browser:

**Register Free!**

Already a user? [Sign in here.](#)

You can download the app for free.

Remember we have a free breakfast club each morning before school which runs from 7.45am. Please check your parent pay account under clubs for availability. There are two sessions and if you book onto session 1 you must book a place on session 2.

Term Dates can be found on our website:

<https://www.lillingtonprimary.com/school-times-and-holiday-dates/>

Autumn Term ends on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023.

Spring Term starts on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

Half Term is Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

Staff INSET Day Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

Spring Term ends on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024.

Summer Terms starts on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Half Term is Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024.

Summer Term ends Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024.