

# March



<b>National Average</b>	<b>94.3%</b>
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>95.5%</b>
Reception	95.4%
Y1	95.5%
Y2	94.8%
Y3	94.0%
Y4	95.4%
Y5	97.2%
Y6	96.0%



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### Easter Activities for Children



<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/easter-activities-for-kids>

<https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/easter-ideas/g4154/easter-games/>

<https://www.playpartyplan.com/easter-activities/>

### Dates for your diary

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024

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Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

School opens for Summer Term 1

Swimming for 2 weeks (Selected KS2 pupils)

Earth Day

May Day Bank Holiday – school closed

KS2 SAT's

Whole School Themed Dinner

Y4 Themed Dinner: tbc

Y4 Class Assembly

3.30pm, School closes for Half Term



At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and educators with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should their needs be needed. Please visit [nationalonlinesafety.com](http://nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guidance. #NotSafeEgs for adults.

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# What you need to know about... MUSIC STREAMING APPS & SITES

Load the App Search Artists

## What are they? 'Music Streaming Apps & Sites'

Music streaming apps allow people to listen to music on their devices. It gives users access to millions of songs and artists from around the world. Popular music streaming apps and sites include Spotify, SoundCloud, Apple Music, Amazon Prime and Deezer. Music streaming allows children to listen to songs from around the world in much easier and cheaper way. This enables them to showcase their talent which would have been very hard to do many years back.

## Know the Risks

### Explicit content

Explicit content is everywhere online, including in popular music. Children can easily access songs on Spotify, for example, that may have explicit or inappropriate language not suitable for children. It is also easy to write searches so you can't see what a child has been listening to.

### Adult themed podcasts

Many music streaming apps also offer the ability to listen to podcasts. While not every podcast is of a kind of topic, from business and health to comedy and relationships. Again, children could be exposed to content which is more adult themed or contains age-inappropriate language.

### Chatting to strangers

Some music apps like Playlist, want to make music discovery an experience by inviting others who share the same musical tastes and will allow users to go as far as sharing their listen in a playlist to generate it for them. This could open up your child to talking to strangers online.

## Safety Tips

### Use child friendly apps

Many music streaming services are made just for children. For instance, the only video app provides parents with control over what their children listen to and if the content is funny, friendly and fun for children to explore.

### Turn off explicit content

Most of the major music streaming apps will provide the option to turn off explicit material to make sure the music is completely clean. Some apps do even offer an option to lock the content, censoring settings with a password, so your child can't turn it back.

### Implement privacy controls

Check the privacy setting of your child's app. Ensure that whenever you are they choose to stream music, the settings are set to be private. This way they can only share the music they are listening to with friends and family and can't engage in conversation with strangers.

## Offering Support

### Explore apps yourself

If your child insists on wanting to use a music streaming app then have a look at the app with them. Take the time to understand which apps they prefer to use and why they would use it. Find out how to use the app yourself and understand what they could be exposed to and how to ensure they get the most of it in a safer manner.

### Regularly check-in

Have regular conversations with your child about what they are listening to and how they are feeling. If they do hear explicit musical content that makes them feel uncomfortable, let them know that they can always talk to you and discuss what they've heard and what it means.

## Our Expert

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Parven Kaur is social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Clicks, a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.

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# Happy Birthday

Bella Ella Lydia Alice  
Ellis Henry Cody Wilfred  
Jack Huey Isabella Olly  
Peggy Will Milo Leo

# OUR GOVERNORS

**Parent Governors**

- Mr A. Chisholm
- Mr A. Hall
- Mrs V. Mitchell
- Mrs J. Tones

**Headteacher**

- Mrs H. Owen

**Staff Governors**

- Mrs N. Brunskill

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- Mrs G. Mitchell
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# 14 Right to choose your own religion and beliefs

**Article 14**

You have the right to choose your own religion and beliefs. Your parents should help you decide what is right and wrong, and what is best for you.

**The Children's Hub**  
Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees

The Children's Hub is the first point of contact for anyone who has a concern about the welfare or safety of a child or young person or thinks they may need extra help and support. When contacted, they will listen to what they are being told and the different agencies might share information with each other to try and work out whether they can help.

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