



Kirkstall St Stephen's

Newsletter 16th October 2026

Diary Dates and Forthcoming PTA Events	Date
Deadline to book PTA Light Party on School gateway	Monday 19 October
Light Party – this includes a “silent disco”, games, crafts and food	Wednesday 21 October KS1 3.30-4.45pm KS2 4.45-6.00pm
Break up for half term holiday	Friday 23 October
Return to school	Monday 2 November
Open afternoon and evening for 2027 Reception children	Wednesday 4 November 1.30-3.20pm 3.40-5.00pm
Parent’s Evening (phone calls throughout week as well) PTA used uniform sale from 3.30pm	Wednesday 11 November 3.45-7.00pm
Tempest Individual photographs (on roll children only)	Wednesday 18 November AM in school

Class with best attendance this week	Reception 98.05%
Overall school attendance	95.8%

Correct Procedure for Reporting Absence

- A Ring the school office on 01133821960 and leave a message on option1.
 - B Email via the school email contactus@kirkstallss.net or contact Mrs Wren on nicola.wren@kirkstallss.net
 - C Message Mrs Wren via School Gateway.
- Please do not use Class Dojo or message other members of staff.

Harvest Festival

Many thanks to everyone who contributed goods to the Harvest festival collection. This will be sent to PAFRAS, a charity which works with asylum seekers and refugees in Leeds, offering support, drop in sessions and giving out food. It will also be sent to The Local Community Pantry who meet in the church hall and gives the opportunity to buy groceries and fresh produce at an affordable price.



Sign the Petition

One of our parents has set up a petition to ask for the support of parents and residents in our community to see if we can improve the safety of the zebra crossing at the front of school.

Some years ago, we did have a crossing patrol and the zebra crossing was put in to replace this. However as many of you are aware it can be quite hazardous at times and vehicles do not always stop!

<https://c.org/FLHj5QKwVK>

Many thanks to Ms Fox for getting this petition started!

PTA Christmas Cards

Templates have been sent out to all classes this week for children to design a Christmas card. The designs will be done in class and then passed on to the PTA for printing by Class Fundraising.

The children will then bring home the printed design and you will be able to order Christmas cards and other items with your child's design on direct from the Class Fundraising website.

The orders are then delivered to school in time for Christmas.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

**Phil Sheppard
Head Teacher**