



Kirkstall St Stephen's

Newsletter 13th January 2023

Diary Dates / PTA Events

Events this half term	Date
Bun sale in school- EYFS and KS1 children to bring in buns/cakes etc to then be distributed throughout school by the PTA	Wednesday 18th January 2023
Chinese New Year menu on school meals (must be booked/paid for on Gateway in advance)	Thursday 19 th January
Skipton Castle trip Year 2 (please pay & give consent on School Gateway)	Wednesday 1 st February
Drop in morning in the school hall- 9.00 till 10.15 for tea and a chat	Wednesday 8 th February
Friday 10 th February break up for half term Non- uniform day "Dress to Express"	Friday 10 February
Monday 20 th February school re-opens	Monday 20 th February

School attendance for Week

The class with the best class attendance this week is year 5 with 94.63%.

Overall attendance for school this week is 92.19% and Reception also had the least number of late arrivals.

6th – 12th February 2023 is Children's Mental Health Week.

The week is run by children's mental health charity Place2Be to raise awareness of the importance of children and young people's mental health. This year's theme is **Let's Connect**.

As a school we have decided to join in with this important week. Each class will do activities based around connecting with each other and learning why this is important. We will do a whole school activity and have a "Dress to express" non-uniform day on **Friday 10th February**. The idea is to encourage each child to express themselves by wearing their choice of clothing for the day.

We are also wanting parents to try and connect with each other and school so we are having a drop in for a chat and refreshments in the hall on **Wednesday 8th February**. Members of staff with knowledge of mental health issues will be available to advise if needed but it is more about just connecting with others, as this is important for your mental health and wellbeing. This is a relaxed event and it will run from 9 am to 10.15 am We are all in this together!

PTA events in the Spring Term 2023

Wednesday 18th January 2023	Bun sale in school- EYFS and KS1 children to bring in buns/cakes etc to then be distributed throughout school by the PTA
Late January TBC	Mothers' Day cards created by children and then designs sent off by PTA in readiness for Sunday 19 th March.
Thursday 23rd February	PTA disco
Friday 24 March	PTA Bingo and quiz night

The PTA would love to hear from you if you would like to join them and support the school. Please feel free to contact them on the following email address: - ststephenspta@outlook.com

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