



# Kirkstall St Stephen's

## Newsletter WE 27th May 2022

### Diary Dates / PTA Events

Event	Date
Summer half term holidays	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to 3 <sup>rd</sup> June school closed
Training day	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May school closed Re opens Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May
Kirkstall Festival	Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> July
Report week	WC 11 <sup>th</sup> July (reports to go out by email)
PTA disco after school	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July
Training days	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July

### Attendance & Punctuality

The class with best attendance over the last week is Year 4 with 96.30 %. The most punctual class over the week was Year 6. Whole school attendance for the week is 94.07%

### Jubilee Street Party

The children had a fabulous street party with a tasty picnic lunch, bubbles, balloons and our own Queen for the day- Mrs Pickard! Photos to follow on Class DOJO!

### Schools Games Mark Award

We are delighted to tell you that Kirkstall St Stephens have been awarded the **Gold Award** for the Schools Games Mark. Thank you to Mr Crossley who has worked so hard to ensure we participate in many after school activities and also to all the parents who help transport children to sporting events after school we could not do these things without you!

### Iain's Farm at Kirkstall St Stephens

The farm came to our school on Wednesday! We had alpacas, Pygmy goats, donkeys, chickens, a sheepdog and a tortoise on Year 5 & 6 playground. Everyone had a smile on their face and the alpacas in particular got some of the staff quite giddy! We had a goat jumping the fence in order to see the neighbours. This was such a popular event with everyone and hopefully we might do it again sometime.

### Year 3/4 production- 'The Man Cub'

I know everyone was incredibly impressed with the production- the acting, the performances and the costumes! Well done to all the children taking part and also many thanks to Miss Lewis, Miss Hawes, Mr Holdsworth, Mrs Reed and Miss Barraclough for making this production come to life!

### PTA News

**PTA disco on the 14<sup>th</sup> July!** More details to follow soon.

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

### **Free School Meals**

Have your financial circumstances changed? Do you currently get help with your rent or Council Tax? If so your child could be eligible for Free School Meals and Leeds City Council will already hold your details and your children will automatically be considered for Free School Meals without you having to fill in any further application forms. If you do not currently get help with rent or Council Tax you can download a form by clicking on this link below-

<http://www.leeds.gov.uk/docs/Benefit%20Claim%20Form.pdf>.

The Benefits Helpline on 0113 2224404 will be able to help you or go to your nearest One Stop Centre or housing offices where they will assist you if you need help filling the form in.

Other qualifying criteria are as follows-

If you and/or your partner are in receipt of one of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16.190

School receives something call Pupil premium for every child eligible for Free School Meals, this gives us extra funding for extra tuition, staff and after school activities.

**Mr P Sheppard**  
**Headteacher**



“This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all children, and expects our staff and volunteers to share this commitment.”