



Kirkstall St Stephen's

Newsletter WE 30th Sept 2022

Diary Dates / PTA Events

Event	Date
Themed school meal Cricket World Cup	Thursday 6 th October book/pay on Gateway app
Open Afternoon for potential 2023 Reception children	Thursday 6 th October 1.30-3.15pm
Harvest Festival in church all invited	Wednesday 12 th October 2.30pm
PTA bun sale	Wednesday 19th October
Training day school closed to pupils	Friday 14 th October
Tempest individual photographs	Thursday 20 th October
Half term holiday	Break up Friday 21 st October
Parent consultations	WC 31 st October details to follow
Nasal flu immunisations Intra Health	Thursday 3 rd November (link closed to book)

School attendance for Week

The class with the best class attendance is year 6 again with 96.87%%
Overall attendance for school this week is 92.24%

New Chair of Governors

We are delighted to announce that the Reverend Stephen Kaye has agreed to become our Chair of Governors for this academic year. He will be taking over from Mr Steward who we all agree has done a fantastic job and led with diligence, dedication and a real love of the school. Mr Steward will remain on the board and we also welcome Mr Rhodes as the new Vice Chair.

School Gateway App

We still have quite a few parents not using the School Gateway app to book your child's meals. Even if your child is in Key Stage 1 or a Free School Meal award is in place you still need to book on the app and choose your child's meal options. Where there is no booking we will automatically put your child down for the sandwich option on that day.

Spaces in classes

Please be aware that we have a one or two spaces in the majority of the classes in school, due to a few families leaving us in the Summer Term. Please feel free to pass this information onto friends or relatives who are looking for a place. Our admissions arrangements can be found on the school website.

Mini First Aid in Year 1

Year 1 had an exciting day on Wednesday when two teachers from Mini First Aid came into school with "Big Ted". The children learned some first aid and how to call for help. They also learned the importance of knowing your home address in case of an emergency. They made "Big Ted" feel much better when he fell off his chair! and practised the skills they had learned on him!

Open afternoons and evenings

We are pleased to announce a number of open sessions for parents of potential 2023 Reception starters. These will be guided tours given by members of our fantastic Year 6, with the opportunities to explore school and, if coming during the afternoon slot, to see lessons taking place.

Thursday 6th October- afternoon session

1.30-3.15pm

Thursday 17th November- afternoon session and evening session

1.30-3.15pm and then 3.45-5.30pm

Thursday 8th December- afternoon session and evening session

1.30-3.15pm and then 3.45-6.00pm

Thursday 5th January-afternoon session

1.30-3.15pm

Please email the office on contactus@kirkstallss.net if you would like to book in on a session!

Themed Meal Day 6th October

We will be having a themed meal day on 6th October to celebrate the Cricket World Cup. This is free to all children in school **but please book using the Gateway App**. There are posters in notice boards around school and at the gate with the menu on.

Parent Volunteers

We would love for any parents who have regular spare time during the week to come into school and be a volunteer hero! This could be hearing readers or sitting and helping small groups under the teacher's supervision.

Please contact the office on contactus@kirkstallss.net or 0113 382 1960 if you are interested.

PTA Events Autumn Term 2022

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

Friday 7th October 7.00 +	Bingo/quiz night in church or school hall Apologies postponed until Spring Term
Wednesday 19th October	Bun sale – Please bring buns/cake donations in the morning. PTA to sell in class at break times
WC 17th October	Children to create Christmas card designs to be sent off by PTA in time for delivery before Christmas break
Friday 25th November	Non school uniform day – Christmas fayre donation – sweets/chocolate or alcohol
Friday 2nd December	Non school uniform day – Christmas Fayre donation- tombola gifts
Wednesday 7th December 3.30-5.00	Christmas Fayre class gift tables and Santa grotto

Mr P Sheppard
Headteacher

