



# *Kirkstall St Stephen's*

## *Newsletter 4th November 2022*

### Diary Dates / PTA Events

| Event   | Date                                 |
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| SNT to see Rec & YR6 height /weight                       | Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November   |
| Non-uniform day donations of sweets, chocolate or alcohol | Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November     |
| PTA Christmas Fayre gifts and Santa grotto                | Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December   |
| Panto in school "Goldilocks" further details to follow    | Wednesday 30 November                |
| Break up for Christmas holidays                           | Friday 16 December                   |
| Return to school in New Year                              | Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023 |

### School attendance for Week

The class with the best class attendance is Year 3 class with 97.69%, with Reception class being the most punctual.

Overall attendance for school this week is 94.43%

### Rachel Reeves Christmas Card Competition

We have been informed by the office of Rachel Reeves MP that Amelia Banks in our Year 6 class has come third in the Christmas card competition. Amelia's design will appear on the back of all the Christmas cards that Rachel Reeves MP will send out in December to her family, friends and professional contacts. Congratulations to Amelia and thank you to all the other children who submitted entries.

### Applications for Reception Places for September 2023

Applications are now open online for Reception places for September 2023. You can apply until 15 January 2023. To find out more information visit [www.leeds.gov.uk/apply](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/apply)  
You can find out about the admission process, find your nearest schools and read each schools admissions policy. You will be invited to put down five school choices, it is important that you list in order of preference your five choices. Only listing one school does not ensure you will be offered that school and you may be given a place in a school not of your choosing.

### Nasal Flu Immunisations

Those children who were signed up to receive the Nasal Flu Immunisation received it this week. Any parents whose child was absent or have changed their mind and would like their child to have the immunisation there are some catch up clinics available nearby where you can still get the immunisation. We have just listed the nearest to school.

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November Horsforth Community Hub & Library 10am – 3.00pm**  
**Wednesday 23 November Fairfield Community Centre, Bramley 3.30pm-6.30pm**  
**Tuesday 6 December Armley Chapel Lane Children's Centre 3.30pm-5.30pm**

### PTA Christmas Card Design

All children that did a Christmas card design should have received their printed card and order code this week. If you wish to purchase for family and friends please order online.

[approve.myfundraisinghub.com](http://approve.myfundraisinghub.com).

**The deadline for orders is 12<sup>th</sup> November to ensure delivery in time for Christmas.** School receives commission on all orders and this is put towards funding activities and equipment for school.

### 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 17<sup>th</sup> November- afternoon session and evening session**

1.30-3.15pm and then 3.45-5.30pm

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December- afternoon session and evening session**

1.30-3.15pm and then 3.45-6.00pm

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January- afternoon session**

1.30-3.15pm

Please email the office on [contactus@kirkstallss.net](mailto:contactus@kirkstallss.net) if you would like to book in on a session

### Kirkstall Valley Development Trust message

From next week, we will be keeping the hub in the Church Hall open until 4.30pm on Wednesdays so that people can drop in to use the library and have a drink and snack after school. We will also have a clay workshop running. The workshop does have a small cost of £4 per child and £1 each for additional siblings. I have attached a flyer for the clay class. Please can parents and carers attend with their children.



### 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](mailto:ststephenspta@outlook.com)

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| <b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b>           | Movie night "Bad Guys" 5-7.00pm   |
| <b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November</b>             | Non school uniform day – Christmas fayre donation – sweets/chocolate or alcohol |
| <b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>              | Non school uniform day – Christmas Fayre donation- tombola gifts                |
| <b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 3.30-5.00</b> | Christmas Fair- class gift tables and Santa grotto                              |

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