



Kirkstall St Stephen's

Newsletter 22nd September 2023

Diary Dates / PTA Events

Events this half term	Date
Friday 29 th September Training Day school closed	Friday 29 th September
October Harvest Festival in church 2.30pm	Wednesday 11 th October
Reception 2024 open afternoon 1.30-3.20pm	Thursday 12 th October 1.30-3.20pm
Tempest individual photographs	Thursday 19 th October
Equalities & Inclusion parent group meeting	Tuesday 24 th October 3.30-4.30 Year 6 classroom
October half term holiday to return Monday 6 th November	Friday 27 th October
Parents evening 3.45-7.00 (phone conversations throughout week) PTA used uniform sale after school	Wed 15 th November 3.30pm
Break up for Christmas	Friday 22 December

Church Hall & KVDT Hub

On the 27th September (weather permitting) a team of volunteers will be painting and repairing the Church Hall fence and tidying up the garden.

This will mean the path will be cordoned off until the paint is dry and work completed.

Equalities and Inclusion Parent Meeting

Earlier this year, we launched a new parents' group focused on equality and inclusion at Kirkstall St Stephen's. This group is open to any parents with an interest in challenging discrimination and promoting equality through their parenting and at school. It also focuses on neurodiversity, awareness of disability, racism, sexual bullying and gender equality.

We will be holding our termly parent meeting to discuss equality and inclusion in school on Tuesday 24th October 3.30-4.30pm in the Yr6 classroom. There will be childcare in another classroom if you need this and refreshments are available.

This group is open to all parents and during last academic year did a fabulous job supporting Refugee Week during the summer and ensuring our choices of house names ensured equality for all.

Spread the word!

We will be holding open afternoons and evenings on the following dates for parents of potential 2024-25 reception children. Our brilliant Yr6 tour guides will take groups around school and there might be a tasty treat from the kitchen!

Please spread the word throughout the community and there will be banners advertising these soon!

Thursday 12 th October 1.30-3.20pm	Open afternoon for potential 2024 Reception children
Thursday 16 th November 1.30-3.20pm & 3.40-5.00pm	Open afternoon and evening for potential 2024 Reception children
Thursday 7 th December 1.30-3.20pm & 3.40-5.00pm	Open afternoon and evening for potential 2024 Reception children
Thursday 4 th January 2024 1.30-3.20pm	Open afternoon for potential 2024 Reception children

PTA events in the Autumn Term 2023

Thank you to our amazing PTA and the amazing activities and funds that they provide!

Wednesday 4th October	PTA bun sale Reception and KS1 to bring buns
WC 16th October	PTA Christmas card designs
Friday 20th October	PTA Bingo and Quiz night in the Church Hall
Wednesday 15th November	PTA used uniform sale
Friday 1st December	Non-uniform day for Xmas Fayre – children to bring in good quality unused or unwanted gifts for tombola
Friday 8th December	Non- uniform day for Xmas Fayre -children to bring in sweets and chocolate
Wednesday 13th December	Xmas Fayre

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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