



Kirkstall St Stephen's

Newsletter 17th November 2023

Diary Dates / PTA Events

Events this half term	Date
Nasal Flu Immunizations in school Non-uniform day please bring good quality gifts for the tombola	Friday 1 st December AM
Christmas pantomime for all children "Treasure Island" Open afternoon and evening for Reception 2024 1.30-3.20 & 3.40-5.00pm	Thursday 7 th December 9.30am
Non-uniform day for Xmas Fayre please bring in sweets and chocolate	Friday 8 th December
Reception Nativity – further details to follow	Tuesday 12 th December AM Wednesday 13 th December AM
PTA Xmas fayre after school 3.30-5.00	Wednesday 13 th December
KS1 Christmas show for parents PM	Monday 18 th December
KS1 Christmas show for parents AM	Tuesday 19 th December
School Xmas dinner book/pay on School Gateway <u>Please note</u> if there is no booking on the day and you wish your child to have the meal it will be the vegetarian option only. Class Christmas parties PM	Thursday 21 st December
Break up for Christmas Christmas Church Service 2.30pm	Friday 22 December
Return to school after Christmas	Monday 8 th January 2024
Open afternoon for Reception 2024 children 1.30-3.20pm	Thursday 11 th January

School Attendance and punctuality this week

The class with the best attendance this week is Year 6 again with 97.50%.

The most punctual class this week was Reception class. The overall attendance for school was 92.49%

Nasal Flu Immunizations Link Closure Date

The link where you can give your consent for your child to receive the Nasal Flu Immunization in school on the 1st December **closes on the morning of 28th November.**

The link to follow is:

leedsimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

You will need to enter the unique school code of EE108043.

Any requests made after this date means those children cannot be seen in school. There may be the opportunity to have children immunised in local clinics at a later date.

Advent Trail

Kirkstall Advent trail will be returning for its third year with window displays across Kirkstall. This is where local homes and businesses show off local artistic visions during the month of December with displays being revealed every day as a living advent across Kirkstall.

On Friday 1st December the Advent Trail starts. It begins at 7.00pm in the Church Hall car park where there will be a "big band" and tea, coffee and mince pies will be available. Then the first light will be lit in the window of the Church Hall. All profits will go to local food banks so please come and support us.

Consent for trips and events

We have listened to feedback from parents regarding how we communicate special school trips and events and how we gather consent from parents to allow children to go on these.

From now on, we will send paper copies of letters informing you of any activity that will require a consent and indication of whether the children might need a packed lunch from school. We will also back this up with the letter sent via DOJO to parents.

"Give it 100%" in November

This has now started and will run to 1st December. Each week children will receive an extra playtime and a sticker on a Thursday afternoon if they have no unauthorised absence or late marks (after registers close at 9.15pm). We will also give a certificate to children who achieve this over the month.

PTA events in the Autumn Term 2023

We would like to pass on a huge thank you to our PTA, who have again contributed to the school £1,400 to support the school trips for every class. Their support with this helps us keep the costs of trips down for all our families and allows us to continue taking the children to amazing places each year. Thank you to all our PTA and those who support their fundraising.

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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