



# Kirkstall St Stephen's

## Newsletter 8th March 2024

### Diary Dates / PTA Events

Events this half term	Date
Spring term equalities meeting in Year 6 classroom	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 3.30-4.30
PTA disco Reception/KS1 3.30-5.00pm KS2 5.00-6.30pm	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March
Key Stage 2 performance "Under the Sea"	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March AM 9.30-10.30 PM 6.00-7.00
Easter Service in church 2.20pm	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
School closed Good Friday And for Easter holidays	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
School re-opens	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April

### School Attendance and punctuality this week

Please remember that notifying us of a child's appointment or absence must be done either by leaving a message on the school phone or you can message Mrs Wren on School Gateway or Dojo. Mrs Wren is the first point of contact for attendance matters relating to absences or time off for appointments in school time.

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

The class this week with the least number of late arrivals, was Year 1. The overall attendance for school this week was 92.35%.

### March "Give it 100%"

This week sees the start of the "Give it 100% initiative on 1st March. Each week, children will be rewarded for either 100% attendance or authorised absences. At the end of this period on the 28<sup>th</sup> March, all children that have achieved 100% attendance/or any authorised absences will receive a certificate. Hopefully you will see that this initiative is not to punish anyone for having a genuine reason to be off school, but instead to encourage good attendance and punctuality.

### Spring Term Equalities Group

The equalities group are meeting on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March after school at 3.30 till 4.30 in Year 6 classroom. Refreshments will be available and there will be childcare for that hour, all welcome!

### Year 3 & 4 Production 'Under the Sea'

We are all really looking forward to the Year 3 & 4 production of 'Under the Sea', all about the tale of the Little Mermaid. We can confirm the following dates for parent performances in the school hall. Details on how to book tickets to follow.

#### **Morning performance:**

Wednesday 27th March 9:30am -10:30am

#### **Evening performance:**

Wednesday 27th March 6pm- 7pm (children need to arrive no later than 5:30pm for costumes and prep)

### PTA Movie Night Success

Many thanks to our wonderful PTA for an excellent movie night- both KS1 and KS2 children had a great time!

I will be meeting with the PTA in the next few weeks to create a list of events for the summer term and will send out a summer term calendar for families before Easter.

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