



Kirkstall St Stephen's

Newsletter 6th December 2024

Diary Dates / PTA Events

Events this half term	Date
Reception Nativity 9.30 am PTA Xmas Fair after school from 3.30pm	Wednesday 11th December
Reception Nativity 1.30 pm	Thursday 12th December
Key Stage 1 performance PM 1.30pm	Monday 16th December
Key Stage 1 performance AM 9.30am	Tuesday 17th December
Class Christmas parties 1.15pm	Wednesday 18 th December
School Christmas dinner please book/pay on School Gateway	Thursday 19 th December
Break up for Christmas Church service 2.30pm	Friday 20th December
School re-opens	Monday 6 th January 2025
Final open afternoon for Reception 2025 parents	Thursday 9 th January 2025

Attendance

The class this week with the best attendance was year 2 with 95.19% Reception class were the most punctual and overall school attendance for the week was 93.19%.

To report an absence please ring the school on 0113 3821960 and choose option 1, or message Mrs Wren on School Gateway or Class Dojo (not class teacher as this may not be seen). Please let Mrs Wren in advance if your child needs to leave school early for a medical/dental appointment that cannot be taken outside of school hours. We will ask for sight of the appointment text message or letter in order to potentially authorise these absences.

KSS Christmas Fair

Our annual Christmas fair will be on Wednesday 11th December from 3.30-5.30pm. This is run by our wonderful PTA and will mainly be in the hall and classrooms around it. Activities include lucky pick, gift tombola, guess the number of LEGO bricks, face painting/glitter/nails & tattoos, edible biscuit decoration, Christmas crafts, uniform & bric-a-brac sales, café, raffle and of course, Santa's Grotto!

Tickets for the Grotto can be bought in advance before the fair for £4 from PTA members after school.

Kirkstall Living Advent Trail

The Kirkstall Advent Trail has now started. Windows across Kirkstall are illuminated with Christmas Scenes. New scenes are illuminated each day to 24th December.

This is organised by local residents and there is a map you can follow displayed in the notice board outside the main school gate.

PTA School Fair Raffle Tickets

We will be giving out a book of 5 raffle tickets to children this week. The top prize is tickets for a visit to the Whistlestop Valley and Kirklees Light Railway Big Adventure.

Please write your name and a contact number on the stub and send these back to school with the money. It might be useful to write the child's name if a relative has purchased tickets so we can get winning prizes to the recipient. Tickets cost £1.00 each or £5.00 for a book. The draw will take place at the school fair on 11th December so we don't have long! Tickets/money need to be returned no later than Tuesday pm. Please return unused books of tickets to the school office.

Head Teacher Mr P Sheppard