



Kirkstall St Stephen's Newsletter 7th February 2025

Diary Dates / PTA Events 2025

Forthcoming Events	Date
Parents Equality and Inclusion Group Meeting	Tuesday 11 th February 3.30-4.30pm
PTA film night in school Wreck It Ralph / Inside Out 2	Thursday 13 th February From 3.35 after school
Break up for February half term	Friday 14 th February
School re-opens	Monday 24 th February
Parents Consultation Evening Please see details below on how to book from Monday 10 February	Wednesday 5 th March 3.45-7.00
World Book Day Themed dinner menu on School gateway	Thursday 6 th March
Science week in school	WC 10 th March
PTA disco Rec/KS1 3.30-5.00 KS2 5.00-6.30pm	Thursday 20 th March
Break up for Easter holidays Church service 2.30pm	Friday 4 th April
Return to school after Easter	Tuesday 22 nd April

Attendance

The class with best overall attendance this week was Year 1 with 97.78%
Reception class were the most punctual class
Overall school attendance is 95.53%

Procedure for Reporting Absence/Medical Appointments

The correct procedure for reporting an absence or a medical appointment in school time is as follows:
1 Ring the school office on 01133821960 (from 8.30am) and pick option 1 to leave a message.
2 Or message Mrs Wren on School Gateway or Class Dojo
Please do not message the class teacher on Dojo as this does not always get passed on.
Please be aware, any school meals booked are cancelled by 10.00am when children are absent at that point.

Parent Consultation Week

Parent Consultation week is the w/c 3rd March (second week back after half term). There will be a mixture of phone conversations and an evening on Wednesday 5th March from 3.40pm onwards. This is an in-person meeting with your child/children's class teacher in the school hall.

Appointments will be open for you to make your choice from 12.00 noon on Monday 10th February on your School Gateway app.

This can be accessed using the "useful links" button.
The telephone appointments on several evenings that week can be booked via the same app.
For children in reception and Year 3, please only make an appointment with ONE of the teachers.

Please make time to attend an appointment, we love feeding back the work and effort your children put into school and can answer any of your questions about their progress and learning.

House Points

Just to clarify rewards for houses. The school houses are Leonora Cohen, Gertrude Paul, Henry de Lacy and Richard Oastler and your child will have been placed in one of these.

The individual DOJO points that children earn over the week are collated for their house during the Friday celebration assembly and the winning house earns 4 points, second place 3 points, third 2 points and fourth 1 point.

When a house eventually gets to 20 points (which will take a number of weeks) then they can choose a reward, such as non-uniform. All children in the house can vote for this.

Therefore, even if a house wins during a Friday celebration assembly, it still might be a few weeks until they earn their reward.

PTA Film Night 13th February

The PTA have put information about the film night on Class Dojo. There is a choice of 2 titles children can watch by clicking on the link. The choice is between "Wreck it Ralph" or "Inside Out 2".

The cost is £4.00 per child with the usual food and drink provided in with that cost and extras to buy if needed. Details are also included of how to pay using the PTA bank details on BACS. The posters displayed around school also have the payment details on.

"Alice The Musical" Production for Year 3/4

Year 3 and 4 are really excited to announce our production this year. – Alice the Musical!

Performance dates to be confirmed

We can't wait to get started and we are sure it will be incredible.

To ensure it is the best it could be, we are kindly asking for any donations of the items which are listed on Class Dojo (updated regularly to avoid duplicating items).

We are also asking for any large pieces of cardboard or cardboard boxes to assist with prop making.

I have added some items to our Amazon wish list if you would prefer to donate that way:

<https://amzn.eu/gZwK2EI>

If you are happy to donate anything you already have to school, please let me know via Class Dojo so I can remove them from the list. Please give any donations to your child's class teacher or drop into the office.

As always, thank you so much, we appreciate your support.

The Year 3 and 4 team.

Asda Cash Pot for Schools

Recently we registered for Asda's Cash Pot for Schools initiative and asked parent/carers to use the Asda Rewards app to help provide funds for school.

We are pleased to announce that we have raised £186.68 and this will go towards providing resources within school. Thank you to all those that took part in this venture.

Head Teacher Mr P Sheppard