



ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

FRIDAY 12TH

SEPTEMBER 2025



WHOLE SCHOOL

KITCHEN NEWS

Please see attached our lunch menu for next week. Please can we also remind you that we are a nut free school and no fresh nuts or nut products should be brought into school (this includes peanut butter or hazelnut spread in sandwiches). Thank you.

There has been a change to our lunch times. This will now be 45 minutes (12 – 12.45pm) and there will be a short break in the afternoon.

PARENTS EVENING

Please note that the dates for Parents Evening has changed and will now be taking place on **Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th November**. Invites for appointments will be sent nearer the time.

PRAYERS

We have a room for children to pray at lunchtime if this is something they would like to do. This is open between 12.30pm and 12.40pm. Parents need to email the school (admin@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk) and let the School Office know if their child would like to do this.

TOP GATE ENTRANCE

The gate at the top entrance to the school (from The Terrace) is open every morning at 8.40am and closes at 8.55am to allow for parents to exit the school). Children should be in school by 8.45am every day so children coming through the gate later than this will need to report to Reception or accompany the member of staff into school. The gate then opens again at 3.10pm and closes again at 3.30pm.

UNIFORM

The expectation is for all children to wear school uniform every day. We do have a supply of pre loved uniform, please ask in the main office if you are interested. If your child is not wearing school uniform, a pre-loved item will be supplied for the day and parents will be notified.

Acrylic nails and nail polish is not permitted in school. If your child has these on, please ensure that they are removed as soon as possible.

We apologise that several uniform items have been out of stock but they should be back in stock next week.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

A letter has been sent out this week and choices need to be registered through ParentMail. You will be notified by Friday 19th September (via ParentMail) as to which activity your child will be taking part in. Please note these activities will start in the week beginning 22nd September.

APPOINTMENTS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Can we please request that parents try, wherever possible, to make appointments/extra curricular lessons for children outside the school day. We do appreciate however that emergencies do happen from time to time.

PURCHASING OF UNIFORM/PAYMENT OF SCHOOL DINNERS

Please note that the payment of school dinners and the purchasing of uniform only takes place either before school starts or at the end of the school day. We do not take payment for school dinners or sell uniform outside of these times

EMAILS/FORMS IN THE LAST WEEK

Please see below a list of correspondence that has been sent home via ParentMail this week in case you missed it:-

Year 6 Height and Weight	Year 6
Reminder for PE/Forest School Days	Whole School
After School Activities	Whole School
Children's Attendance	Whole School
Year 5 Swimming Lessons	Kookaburra Class

YEAR 5

Kookaburra Class Assembly : Wednesday 17th September

Kookaburra Class are looking forward to welcoming parents to their class assembly on Wednesday 17th September. It will start at 9.10am and last for no more than 20 minutes.

Kookaburra Class : Swimming Lessons: Friday 19th September

Kookaburra Class will be going swimming on Friday 19th September. A separate letter has been sent giving full details of what your child will need and all the travel arrangements.

YEAR 6

Please note applications to apply for your child's secondary school place are now open and will close on 31st October.

TERM DATES

Wednesday 17 th September	Kookabura Class Assembly
Wednesday 1 st October	Firefinch Class Assembly
Wednesday 15 th October	Pufferfish Clas Assembly
Friday 17 th October	Last day of Term 1
Monday 20 th October – Friday 24 th October	Half Term Holiday
Monday 27 th October	Staff Development Day (no school for children)
Tuesday 28 th October	Start of Term 2
Wednesday 29 th October	Year 6 Height and Weight (details to follow)
Monday 31 st October	Flu Vaccinations (details to follow) – whole school
Tuesday 4 th November	Whole School Individual Photographs
Wednesday 5 th November	Treefrog Class Assembly
Friday 7 th November	Fireworks Evening (details to follow)
Monday 10 th November	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Tuesday 11 th November	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Wednesday 19 th November	Leopard Class Assembly
Wednesday 3 rd December	Coyote Class Assembly
Wednesday 10 th December	Christingle Celebration (details to follow)
Wednesday 17 th December	Lower School Production (details to follow)
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 22 nd December – Friday 2 nd January	Christmas Holiday
Monday 5 th January	Start of Term 3