



# ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026



## 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.

### FOOTBALL

We would also like to remind parents that children should not be on site before 8.30am and should not access the Infants playground at this time. This is a common occurrence before school with children playing football and these children are unsupervised at this time.

### POKEMON CARDS

Please note that these cards can only be brought into school on Wednesdays, for Mr Ball's breaktime Pokemon Club. Any cards or folders seen on any other day will be kept for safe keeping until the end of the day and return to parent/carers.

### ARBOR APP/PARENT PORTAL

Thank you to all parents who have already created an account on Arbor or downloaded the App. Over 83% of parents have now downloaded the App and are using it for reporting children's absence, checking on payments, replying to messages, reporting their child absent, giving permission for trips and tournaments. Please note that you can also pay for both school dinners and uniform using the app and most recently purchasing the signed books ahead of our author visit in March.

Please note that even if you do have the app, all emails will still appear in your email account. If you have not received any communications since the beginning of term, please check your junk folder.

If you missed the original email providing the details, please see a copy attached. Finally, if you need any help with this, please do pop into the school office and we will do our best to help. **You can now delete the ParentMail App.**

### LOST PROPERTY

We have once again a huge amount of lost property in our box outside the School Office. If your child is missing an item please feel free to check the box. Please note that if your child has lost an item of uniform and it is unnamed, we cannot return it or identify it as belonging to a particular child. Please ensure all items of clothing whether uniform or not are named if they are coming into school. All items of lost property will be displayed for parents next week and unclaimed items will be recycled/donated.

### FUNDRAISING READ-A-THON

Thank you to everyone who has already brought their forms and cash donations to school. If anyone still has their donations, please bring them into the School Office on Monday.

## AUTHOR VISIT

Just a reminder that we have an author visit on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March (World Book Day). Ahead of her visit, your child has been given the opportunity to pre-order signed copies of two of her current books –

Dream Hunters : £6.00

The Night Curse : £6.00

The date for purchasing the books was today. However, we have extended it until 3.15pm on Monday. If you still want to purchase a book please make a payment through the bank quoting reference (your child's name/book order) and then email [nrayner@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:nrayner@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk) with your book choice. Once this date has passed, we cannot take any further orders as we need to send the numbers to Waterstones for processing.

## EMAILS/FORMS IN THE LAST WEEK

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

<b>Year 5 Bikeability Confirmations</b>	Children who have been signed up to the training
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## YEAR 4

### SHARK CLASS

Shark Class are looking forward to seeing parents and the rest of the school at their assembly on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 9.10am.

## YEAR 5

### BIKEABILITY

All parents whose child is taking part in Bikeability next week have been sent an email with details of the day they will be having the training. If you have not received confirmation, please email [nrayner@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:nrayner@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk)

## YEAR 6

### BIKEABILITY

There is still time to confirm your place on the Level 2 course taking place in March. Please use the link in the letter to sign up. If you have any questions, please come to the School Office

## TERM DATES

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February –  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Year 5 Bikeability

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Shark Class Assembly
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of Term 3
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term Holidays
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Start of Term 4