

ST STEPHEN'S NEWS

FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2023

WHOLE SCHOOL

KITCHEN NEWS

Please see attached our lunch menu for the week beginning 11th September.

We are very lucky here at St. Stephens as our lunches are cooked fresh every day. If your child has any dietary requirements or religious preferences please let us know and we will ensure these are accommodated.

WATER BOTTLES/SUN CREAM

With the warmer weather at the moment, it is important that all children have a water bottle in school every day. If necessary, please apply sun cream to your child in the morning before school and we advise that children bring a hat to school.

BIKES IN SCHOOL

It is lovely to see so many children and parents using bikes to come to school. We have several areas where bikes can be left for the day. We would however ask that both children and parents do not ride their bikes in the school grounds, please dismount whilst other people are around. We have a lot of people moving around the site and we had a near miss this week when a parent was riding their bike and children from Breakfast Club were crossing the road between the two schools. Thank you for your cooperation.

LEAVING THE SCHOOL SITE IN THE AFTERNOONS

We know we have a lovely site and it is great to see children and parents enjoying the warm weather. However, we would ask that all families leave our grounds **by 4.00pm** as our Extended Schools facility use the site until 6.00pm and we obviously need to safeguard our children.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS/FINANCE OFFICE HOURS

Please note that both our School Office and Finance Office are open as follows to sell uniform and take enquiries:-

8.30am and 9.30am Monday to Friday

2.30pm and 4.00pm Monday to Thursday

2.30pm – 3.30pm Friday

We are of course available to take phone calls and messages outside of those times. In respect of messages, we would ask that these are given as early as possible, as we cannot always guarantee getting a message to a child if it is after 3.00pm in the afternoon.

UNIFORM

As mentioned above, this can be bought from the School Office during our opening times in the morning and afternoon. If however, you are a working parent and unable to come in, please email nrayner@ststephensjuniorschool.co.uk with your order and we can arrange for payment through bank transfer and the uniform can be given to your child directly.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

We are in the process of organising these activities which run between 3.15pm and 4.15pm on different days and each child is given the opportunity of taking part in one activity. A letter will be coming out early next week which explains the process of applying for a place on an activity.

TERM DATES

Tuesday 12 th September	Challenger Troop	(Year 6 morning) (Year 4 afternoon)
Wednesday 13 th September	Challenger Troop	(Year 5 morning) (Year 3 afternoon)
Tuesday 10 th October	Year 4 Trip to Beaney Museum	(more details to follow)
Monday 16 th October	Parents Evening	(more details to follow)
Tuesday 17 th October	Parents Evening	(more details to follow)
Tuesday 17 th October	Year 4 Trip to Beaney Museum	(more details to follow)
Wednesday 18 th October	Last day of Term 1	
Monday 30 th October	First day of Term 2	