



St. Stephen's Catholic Primary School

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School News...

St Stephen's Firework Event – SAVE THE DATE



We are delighted to announce that we will be hosting a firework extravaganza at school on Monday 2nd November from 5.00-6.30pm. We are inviting our pupils, families and local community to join us for this amazing event and provide a memorable night for everyone! Please see the poster below with further information and ticket information.



Stay and Read Sessions for Parents/Carers

We are inviting parents/carers into school over the next two weeks to come into class and read with their child, visit your child's new classroom and meet the class staff working with your child this year. It is important that each child is represented at the workshop as staff will be providing key information which will help support your child in their learning this year. The sessions will run from 9.00-9.30am in your child's classroom on the following dates:

Monday 21st September: Y6
Tuesday 22nd September: Y5
Wednesday 23rd September: Y3
Thursday 24th September: Y1
Friday 25th September: Reception
Monday 28th September: Y4
Thursday 1st October: Y2

Macmillan Cake Sale – Friday 25th September

Next Friday 25th September is national Macmillan Coffee Morning. School would like to participate to help donate to such a worthy cause which lots of us will have been touched and affected by in some shape or form. We are asking for cake donations from pupils and families and school staff will be providing cakes too for children to buy in class next Friday as a treat and to show our support. Pupils are welcome to bring in a donation between 50p to £1.00 to buy some cake and enjoy a tasty snack with their friends. Any remaining cakes that remain will be sold by our Y6 pupils on Friday from 3pm on the playground. Thank you in advance of supporting this worthy cause!

Autumn Term Diary Dates

Please see below for a list of key dates for the Autumn Term 2026. Please note further events will be added/included and all dates are available on the school app and school website.

Class Masses

Pupils in Years 3 – 6 will be joining our parishioners at church each Wednesday for 10am Mass. The children will attend as part of the congregation on a rota basis. Year 6 will attend next Wednesday 23rd September then Y5 the week, Y4 will follow the week after and Y3 will complete the four weekly cycle before it starts again with Year 6.

St Stephen's Catholic Primary School

FIREWORK EVENT

Our First Firework Event!



Monday 2nd November |



5:00 – 6:30pm

Tickets available to purchase from the school office
from Friday 2nd October – Thursday 22nd October.

Cheaper advance tickets – and tickets also available on the night!



MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW
on ticket pricings!



HOTDOGS



CHIPS



SWEETS



FIZZY DRINKS



TOMBOLA

Firework display by

THE **BIG**
FIREWORK
SHOP

St Stephen's
Catholic Primary School

CAKE SALE

= for =



**MACMILLAN
COFFEE MORNING**

WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



We are asking for
cake donations on
Friday 25th September



to be sold at playtimes for the children.



**Donations
welcome!**

♥ Please send in cakes
on Friday 25th September ♥
ready to be sold at playtimes
for the children.



**Monetary
donations are
welcome!**

♥ In return for a cake/s
for your child/ren
at playtime. ♥



Any remaining cakes will then be sold
by some of our Year 6 children,
on the playground from 3pm
at the end of the day.

Thank you for your support!



Let's Celebrate...

Gospel Value: Forgiveness			Proud Work of the Week:		
	YR	Alex		YR	Eadie
	Y1	Kai		Y1	Maisie
	Y2	Emilia		Y2	Louie
	Y3	Olivia		Y3	Theo
	Y4	Hunter		Y4	Kobe
	Y5	Annsilo		Y5	Eva
	Y6	Sonny		Y6	Szymon
	Lunchtime Stars:			Sports Stars:	
	YR	Cynthia		EYFS/KSI:	
	Y1	Sofia		Genelia Y2 for fantastic sprinting using the proper technique	
	Y2	Emilia		KS2:	
	Y3	Amy		Bella Y6 for showing brilliant skill in hockey when attacking and defending	
	Y4	Niamh			
	Y5	Roman			
	Y6	Sophie			



Rainbow Champions



R: Whole Class

Y1: Elijah, Maisie, Cherry, Bella, Sam, Barney, Matej, Danya, Naomi, Emily

Y2: Dorothy, Lucas, Georgia, Victoria, Serenity, Alex

Y3: Teddy A, Kyra, Scarlett, Sienah, Roksana, Alex, Leona, Bennett, Max, Milan, Anthony

Y4: Caesar, Nicolas, Niamh, Jessica, Olivia, Alan, Laura, Bobby, Olivia

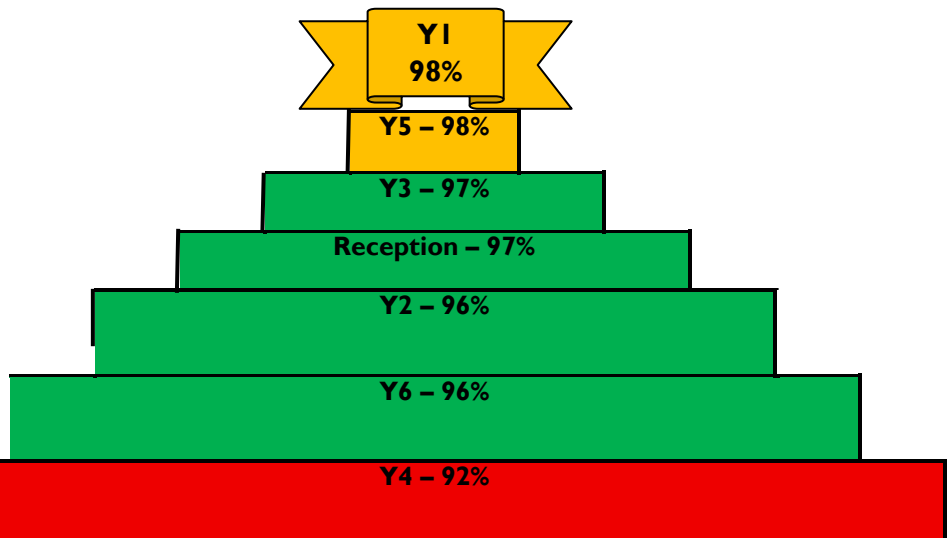
Y5: Mason, Antoni, Oscar, Roman, Annsilo, Eva, Rosie, Mathias, Leah Thomas W

Y6: Miley, Max, Bailey

Attendance Update...

Congratulations to Y1 for having the best attendance this week!

 Attendance Matters Every student. Every day.	
98-100%	Excellent
96-97%	Good
93-95%	Needs to Improve
90-92%	Cause for Concern
Our attendance target is: 96%	



Where a child has 10 or more unauthorised absences (equivalent to 5 full school days) in an academic year, this may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) being issued.

Fixed Penalty Notice Charges:

£80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.
£160 per parent per child if paid within 28 days.

Punctuality Reminders:

Do you know what good time keeping means?

Lost minutes = Lost learning



Make sure your child is at school and ready to learn, before the bell rings!

This means arriving early
 Try to get to school 10 minutes early, get settled and ready to learn!

Did you know?

Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing two weeks of school!

- School gates open at 8.40am to all pupils each day.
- Pupils are to be in their class lines on the playground for 8.45am where they will be accompanied into class and the registers and lunch orders will be taken.
- Registration closes at 8.50am and the main pedestrian gate will be closed and locked.
- Any pupils arriving to school after 8.50am must be brought to the school office and signed in by an adult who must provide a reason for the lateness.

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2026

**** Please note dates are subject to change and further events are to be added ****



Date	Time	Event
8/9/26	11.00am	Welcome Mass at Church
17/9/26	1.00pm	Y5 Swimming lessons begin
21/9/26	9.00am	Y6 Stay and Read with parents/carers
21/9/26	All day	International Day of Peace
22/9/26	9.00am	Y5 Stay and Read with parents/carers
23/9/26	9.00am	Y3 Stay and Read with parents/carers
24/9/26	9.00am	Y1 Stay and Read with parents/carers
25/9/26	9.00am	Reception Stay and Read with parents/carers
25/9/26	All day	'Class Cake Sales' in support of Macmillan Cancer Support
28/9/26	All week	Autumn Term After School Clubs begin
28/9/26	9.00am	Y4 Stay and Read with parents/carers
30/9/26	All day	Y3 & Y6 Forest School sessions
1/10/26	9.00am	Y2 Stay and Read with parents/carers
2/10/26	All day	CAFOD Family Feast Day/Harvest
9/10/26	All day	Own clothes day in return for chocolate donations
7/10/26	All day	Y1 & Y5 Forest School sessions
16/10/26	All day	Show Racism the Red Card Day – pupils can wear a splash of red with their uniforms today.
19/10/26	All morning	School photographs – individual and siblings
21/10/26	All day	Y2 & Y4 Forest School sessions
22/10/26	Morning	Y5/6 Halloween and Bonfire Night Safety talk
23/10/26	9.00am	Y2 Class Assembly – parents/carers invited to attend
23/10/26	3:15 pm	School closes for half term
2/11/26	8.45am	School reopens
2/11/26	5.00 – 6.30pm	St Stephen's Firework Event
4/11/26	All day	Y3 & Y6 Forest School sessions
6/11/26	All day	Non-refundable deposits due for Y4 & Y6 residential trips
10/11/26	2.00-6.00pm	Autumn Term Parents' Evening in school
11/11/26	All day	Y1 & Y5 Forest School sessions
13/11/26	All day	Children in Need fundraiser
13/11/26	All afternoon	Whole School Anti-Bullying Performance
16/11/26	All week	Anti-Bullying Week 2026
16/11/26	All day	Odd Sock Day for ABW
	All day	Y2 & Y4 Forest School sessions
23/11/26	All week	Autumn Term after school clubs finish this week
11/12/26	9.00am	Y6 Class Assembly – parents/carers invited to attend
11/12/26	All day	Christmas Jumper/Christmas Dinner/St. Rocco's Elf Run/KS2 Choir Performance (3pm)
15/12/26	9.15am/2.30pm	EYFS/KS1 Nativity Performances
16/12/26	2.30-3.15pm	KS2 Carol Concert in Church
17/12/26	All afternoon	Class Christmas Parties
18/12/26	All morning	Christmas Pantomime in school
18/12/26	3.15pm	School closes for Christmas holidays



ST. STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC



PRIMARY SCHOOL

Holiday Dates 2026/27

	Open	Close	No. of Days
<i>Autumn Half Term 1</i>	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026	37
<i>Autumn Half Term 2</i>	Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026	35
<i>Spring Half Term 1</i>	Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027	29
<i>Spring Half Term 2</i>	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Wednesday 24 th March 2027	23
<i>Summer Half Term 1</i>	Wednesday 7 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027	37
<i>Summer Half Term 2</i>	Monday 14 th June 2027	Friday 23 rd July 2027	29
			TOTAL: 190

School closed: Bank Holiday Monday - Monday 3rd May 2027

INSET Days: School closed for pupils

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Wednesday 2nd September 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Friday 2nd July 2027 – Warrington Walking Day (TBC)
- Monday 26th July 2027

We are on Week 1 of the menu next week:

SCHOOL MEALS		
		
Available daily as an alternative: - Filled jacket potatoes served with vegetables, a dessert and drink. An alternative dessert from a selection of seasonal fresh fruit, yoghurt, soren and cheese & biscuits Available daily - Unlimited fresh salad and wholemeal bread, drinking water or fresh milk.		
Week One	Week Two	Week Three
Meat Free Monday Vegetarian Sausage Roll Herby Diced Potatoes and Baked Beans Mousse/ Soreen/ Raisins	Meat Free Monday Margerita Pizza Rounds Served with Baked Jacket Wedges and Sweetcorn Oven Baked Jam Doughnut	Meat Free Monday Tomato and Mascarpone Pasta Bake Served with Seasonal Vegetables Mousse/ Soreen/ Raisins
Tuesday Pork Sausage with Yorkshire pudding Creamed Potatoes, served with Carrots and Peas V Quorn Sausage Yorkshire pudding Creamed Potatoes, served with Carrots and Peas V Fresh Fruit Salad or Yoghurt	Tuesday Roast Turkey with Creamed Potato, Roast Potato, Carrot and Broccoli V Quorn Chicken Roast Dinner V Fresh Fruit Salad or Yoghurt	Tuesday Chicken Katsu Curry served with Rice V Quorn Chicken Katsu Curry served with Rice V Fresh Fruit Segments or Yoghurt
Wednesday V Veggie Fajitas served with savory rice and sweetcorn. Beef Broccoli Burger in a Bun served with herby Diced potato and Fresh Side Salad V Quorn Burger in a Bun served with herby Diced potato and Fresh Side Salad V Orange Jelly and Fruit	Wednesday Beef Spaghetti Bolognese served with garden peas V Quorn mince Spaghetti Bolognese served with garden peas Garlic and Herb Chicken served with Vegetable rice and Broccoli. Arctic or Chocolate Ice Cream	Wednesday V Selection of Pizzas (pepperoni/cheese) Served with Jacket Wedges, Salad V Jelly and Fruit
Thursday BBQ chicken Pitta served with Baked Wedged Potatoes, and Sweetcorn V BBQ Quorn chicken Pitta served with Baked Wedged Potatoes, and Sweetcorn Homemade Blueberry Cake/Muffin	Thursday Brunch Lunch (Sausage, Beans, Hash Brown, Omelette) V Vegetarian Brunch Lunch (Quorn Sausage, Beans, Hash Brown, Omelette) V Raspberry Jelly and Fruit	Thursday Pork Meatballs in Tomato and Basil Sauce Served with Pasta and Garden Peas V Quorn Meatballs in Tomato and Basil Sauce Served with Pasta and Garden Peas Vanilla and Chocolate Marble Cake
Friday Crumb Coated Chicken served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Oven baked Fish Fingers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans V Quorn Vegan Dippers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Homemade Cooks Choice Biscuit	Friday Oven Baked Chicken Poppers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Oven baked Battered Salmon served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans V Quorn Vegan Dippers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Homemade Cooks Choice Biscuit	Friday Crumb Coated Chicken Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Oven Baked Fish Stars Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans V Quorn Vegan Dippers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Homemade Cooks Choice Biscuit

Menu Cycle Week One: 17th June, 8th July, 2nd Sept, 23rd Sept, 14th

Menu: 2024