



BANKS ST. STEPHEN'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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WELCOME BACK FROM MRS OWEN

A new school year at St Stephen's Church of England Primary school. Thank you all for making me feel welcome and please come and say hello on the playground. It has been wonderful to see how quickly the children in Nursery and Reception class (and children new to the school in other classes) have settled in. Apart from me, the three other new members of staff are Mrs Robinson TA, Mr Painter who is now helping with welfare duties on the playground and Mrs Newson who helps with After School Club. Teachers will be at the classroom doors or on the playgrounds each morning and evening if you need to speak to them. You can also arrange an appointment to see me or Mrs Tennant our Pupil Support Manager. You can also contact me by email:

head@bank-st-stephens.lancs.sch.uk or telephone: 01704 225332.

Christian Value for this Half Term: Thankfulness

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform is available from Whittakers in Southport or on-line and also from myclothing.com. Don't they look smart in their uniform!



Please label uniform and PE kit. Children will be children and they leave things all over the place! Please help us by putting names in their clothes.



After school clubs will be starting soon. So far the teachers have planned athletics clubs and football clubs for the juniors and an Art club for Years 1 and 2. Watch out for letters home with further details.



Parish Church of St Stephen in the Banks Gift Day Appeal.

Rev'd Rebecca will receive your donations Saturday 7th

September 10am-3pm at the Church.



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DATA COLLECTION FORMS

The children will soon be bringing home Data Collection Sheets. It is vitally important that these forms are completed and returned to school A.S.A.P.

We are required by Law to hold correct, up to date information.

If any details change over the course of the year, please could you notify us of the changes immediately.

LIBRARY

Mrs Harland-Say has made the library look beautiful, with lovely new displays to show off the 8000 books! If you find any school books at home, please return them.



WELLIES

Does anyone have spare wellies for pre-school and reception outdoor play please? The ones we have are in pretty bad condition after being outdoors for years.

ST STEPHEN'S OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

The staff at our Breakfast & After School Club are looking forward to another great year of fun and activities for all the children who attend.

Sessions are: 7.45am – 9.00am – Breakfast Club: £4.50 per session
and 3.15pm– 5.45pm – After School Club: £7.00 per session.

Please contact Mrs Ousey in the office to register and book.

FLU VACCINATION

Today your child will be bringing home a consent form for the Flu Vaccination. Please take the time to read, sign and return the form by Monday 16th September.

IntraHealth will be in school on Friday 18th October to administer the vaccine for those giving consent.



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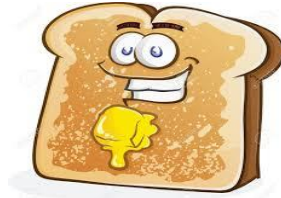
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MEET THE TEACHER EVENINGS

- Tuesday 17th September for juniors
- Wednesday 18th September for infants

Parents should collect their children at the end of the day as usual and then enter the hall by the door at the back used for Celebration assemblies. There will be a short introduction by Mrs Owen and then teachers will briefly introduce themselves. Mrs Owen and the teachers will then be available afterwards if any parents have any individual questions. The main Parents' Evening with individual appointments is Thursday 6th February.

DINNERS, FRUIT, MILK AND TOAST



Infants are provided with fruit free of charge and junior children can bring their own fruit if they wish. Infant children are provided with milk through Cool Milk (apply via www.coolmilk.com) and all children should bring a water bottle. School water bottles are on sale at the office (Payment to be made on ParentPay).

School lunches priced at £2.40 per day (£12.00 per week) are a healthy option, with lots of choices. Menus and info about online payments are available from the office.

Once again, we will be providing toast to the junior children at morning breaktime.

If you would like your child to have toast, at a cost of 20p per day, please send them in with £1 on a Monday morning.

This should be handed to your child's Teaching Assistant first thing in the morning.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS - PUPIL PREMIUM

School meals for ALL infants are FREE. If you think your child is entitled to free school meals anyway, no matter which year your child is in from Reception to Year 6, please don't forget to register for Pupil Premium funding as this generates vital extra money for school. **Thank you to all those parents who have applied for Pupil Premium Funding.** If you are entitled to Pupil Premium Funding, other activities in school will also be free of charge or heavily subsidised for your child. The office can help if you're not sure how to apply. It only takes a phone call and could mean additional funding to support your child all the way through school.