



Message from our Headteacher:

At Sneinton St. Stephen's, the safety and well-being of our pupils is a top priority. All staff at Sneinton have a responsibility for safeguarding our pupils but we also have a dedicated team of **Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs)**:



Mr M Lowe
Headteacher
Senior DSL



Ms J Curtis
Assistant Headteacher
Deputy DSL



Mrs J Doyle
Assistant Headteacher
DSL



Mrs L Baldwin-Thorley
EYFS Lead
DSL



Mrs R Pruszek
Learning Mentor
DLS



Mrs J Walsh
Office Manager
Admin DSL



Mr T Buckmaster
Attendance Officer
Safeguarding Governor



Mrs C Kay
Safeguarding Governor

These are the key staff who are responsible for overseeing safeguarding and child protection practices at school. They work closely with everyone in the community, including outside agencies to support our children.

We also work alongside the Mental Health Support Team (MHST). We have a link practitioner, Dawn Jukes, who works with our children and families each Friday.

Our safeguarding team are also able to offer advice, guidance and support if you have any concerns about your child or the safety of any child in our community.

We can offer support for families in need of welfare support through access to food vouchers and toiletry support. We can also signpost to local services, agencies and charities.

There is always a DSL at our school gates at the start or end of each day if you ever need to arrange a time to speak to someone. We have a confidential online form that can be completed by adults and children to share a concern or to request support.



bit.ly/SNEHELP

Thank you for your continued support.
Mr Lowe

Merit Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who all received a certificate this week and were part of our assembly today:

Foundation 2: Hemen & Ethan

Year 1: Elliot & Evie

Year 2: Joshua & Isla

Year 3: Jaxon & Alarna

Year 4: Kara & Bruce

Year 5: Logan & Adrian

Year 6: Eisa & Iyla



Writers of the Week

Year 1: Theo

Year 2: Baryal

Year 3: Hudson

Year 4: Hiyab

Year 5: Jahmai

Year 6: Igor



Attendance

Foundation 2: 95.58%

Year 1: 98.92%

Year 2: 97.67%

Year 3: 97.1%

Year 4: 96.67%

Year 5: 94.33%

Year 6: 99.0%

Well done to this week's class with the highest attendance:

Y6

F1 Star of the Week



Lizzie & David

In other news...



Apple Distinguished School Accreditation

We are delighted that Sneinton St. Stephen's has been selected as an Apple Distinguished School for 2024–2027. Our school staff have been recognised for continuous innovation using Apple technology to inspire, imagine and impact teaching and learning. There are only around 800 Apple Distinguished Schools worldwide and we are one of approximately 80 in the UK!



School Swimming Lessons

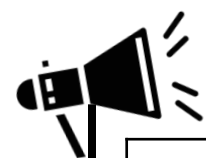
Well done to Year 3 for starting their swimming lessons with such confidence and enthusiasm! It's great to see how far they've grown in swimming ability and confidence in the pool. A reminder to parents of children who wear religious jewellery: please ensure your child brings a swim rash t-shirt to cover their jewellery for safety during lessons. Swimming will continue for the rest of this term, and in the Summer Term, Year 2 and Year 6 will begin their lessons.



Celebrating Music Enrichment

This term has already been full of exciting musical opportunities for our children, with more to come!

- **Lucy Haig**, children's choir director from St. Mary's, is leading weekly singing tuition for Y2-3.
- **Rachel Bussell** continues her wonderful work with our KS2 Choir. Her weekly sessions are helping the children prepare for our end-of-term performances, which families will be invited to.
- We are excited to welcome the **Nottingham Music Hub** tutors, who will be providing instrument tuition for children in Years 4, 5, and 6 each week.
- A group of our Year 5 children recently returned from an inspiring **music residential** at Ilam Hall. They had a unique opportunity to play their instruments in the beautiful grounds of the hall, as well as enjoy some outdoor learning activities.



Diary Dates

Tue 17 Sep	Year 4 Visit - Dales Library
Thu 19 Sep	Year 6 Visit - Safety Zone
Tue 24 Sep	Year 5 Visit - Papplewick
Tue 24 Sep	Church at School School Hall, 3:15 – 4:15pm
Tue 24 Sep	Year 3 Visit – Dales Library
Wed 2 Oct	F2 Welcome Service St. Stephen's Church, 2-3 pm
Thu 3 Oct	Year 1 Visit – Wollaton Park
Fri 4 Oct	INSET DAY (School Closed)
Mon 14 Oct	Y4 Visit – Perlethorpe
Tue 5 Nov	F2 Visit – St. Ann's Orchard
Wed 6 Nov	Individual Photos

Please continue to check the school calendar on our Reach More Parents app.

This will show you upcoming events related to your child.



Reminders

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form.

If you would like to decline, please complete a no consent form on the attached link.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/72529889>

The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on the **9th October 2024**.

The link will close on the **24th September 2024**. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since September 2024, please disregard this message.

If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2.



What have we been learning?

EYFS

F1 children have had a fantastic week at school. We have had fun enjoying many different activities in our environment including leaf raking outside; the mud kitchen and practising our scissor skills. We also enjoyed sharing our home learning - 'All About Me' photos as part of our topic learning.



Year 2

Year 2 have been working so hard in our new topic, the Great Fire of London!

We have been performing in drama and creating wonderful writing to imagine what it would have been like waking up to a terrifying fire.

We are also in the process of writing fire poetry, which we can't wait to perform to our parents and carers.

Year 2 have created some brilliant home learning projects of houses from 1666.



Year 4

Year 4 have started their science topic on sound.

This week we experimented with how sound is connected to vibrations. We made sounds using various experiments and recorded our observations of what we saw and heard.

Class Four are wonderful scientists.



Year 6

To begin our new RE topic, Year 6 revisited our prior learning about Judaism.

We then presented our information about different aspects of Judaism using beautiful colours and images.



LUNCHTIME

WORLD

Week 3

**Autumn Winter
2024-25:**
16/9, 7/10,
28/10, 18/11,
9/12, 30/12,
20/1, 10/2

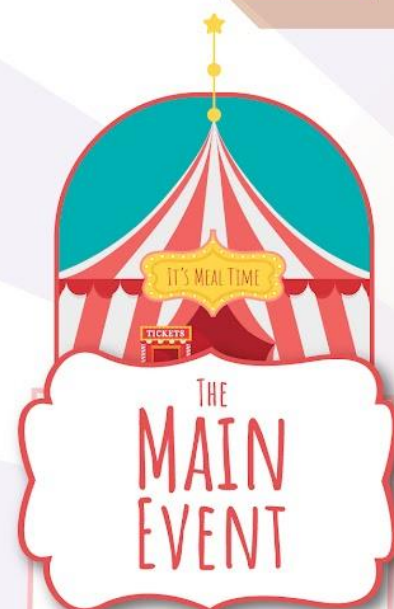
MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



American Style
Macaroni
Cheese

Jerk Chicken
Wraps and
Wedges

Roast Chicken,
Stuffing,
Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

South African Beef
Bobotie with Rice

Golden Fish
Fingers or
Salmon Fingers
and Chips



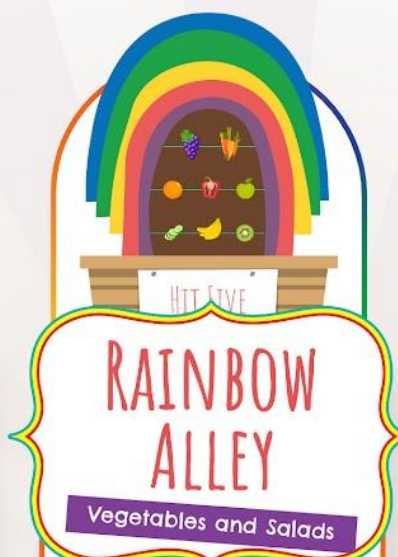
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Pasta Bolognese

Greek Pitta
Pocket with Feta,
Hummus, Salad
and Wedges

Carrot and
Stuffing Pastry
Plait

Fruity Sweet Potato
Tagine with Rice

Vegetable Fingers
and Chips



Carrots

Roast Root
Veggies

Peas and
Sweetcorn

Broccoli

Baked
Beans



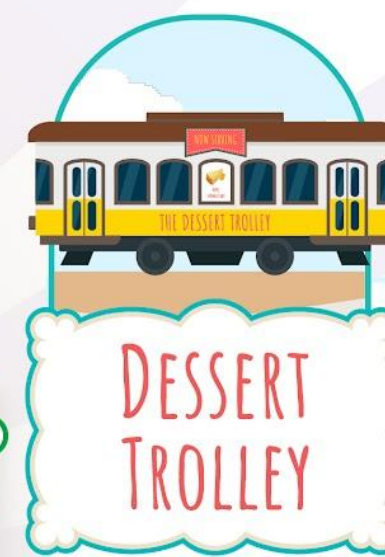
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Marble Cake

Apple,
Cinnamon
Raisin
Flapjacks

Orange and
Mango Jelly

Banana Bread
Muffins

Gingerbread
Cookies



Hi, I'm Dawn



I am an Education Mental Health Practitioner in MHST. I support young people who may be feeling low, worried or struggling with anxiety,



Outside of work, you will find me spending time with my family, singing, playing piano, drawing and learning to crochet. I love food! so I try to keep fit and healthy by going for long walks and the occasional run or bike ride.

**If you see me around come and say
Hi, or grab me for a chat!**

Whether to ask me about my latest adventure or about how you may be feeling at the moment.



Scan me to know more about MHST →



School Dates 2024-25

Aug-24							Sep-24							Oct-24						
M		5	12	19	26		M		2	9	16	23	30	M		7	14	21	28	
T		6	13	20	27		T		3	10	17	24		T	1	8	15	22	29	
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-  Inset Days
-  Bank Holiday
-  School Holiday

- Half term 1 - 7 weeks 2 days
- Half term 2 - 7 weeks
- Half term 3 - 6 weeks
- Half term 4 - 6 weeks
- Half term 5 - 4 weeks 3 days
- Half term 6 - 8 weeks

Regular Community Events at School (open to all)



Family Breakfast 'Books and Breakfast'

Every Monday morning

School Hall 8:15 am – 8:45 am



Parent/Carer Tea and Coffee Drop-In

Every Friday morning (*Starting 20 Sep*)

Community Room 8:35 am – 9:30 am



Church at School, Led by St. Stephen's Church

Once a Month

School Hall 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm



Parent/Carer Prayer Group

2nd and 4th Monday of each month

Community Room 8:45 am – 9:15 am



For more information about these events or other ways to get involved at school, please speak to our Learning Mentor, Mrs Pruszk or our Headteacher, Mr Lowe.

Autumn Term Faith Events



Church at School

Tue 24 Oct | Tue 26 Nov | Tue 17 Dec

School Hall, 3:15 – 4:15 pm

Open to all year groups and their families.

Hosted by St. Stephen's Church Leaders

Drink and Snack | Craft | Games | Worship and Bible Stories



Foundation 2 Welcome Service

Wed 2 Oct

St. Stephen's Church, 2pm – 3pm.

Open to all families with a special invite to the families of Foundation 2 children.

Our F2 class will be presented with a Story Book Bible funded by Nottingham City Mission.



Harvest Festival Prayer Workshops

Tue 15 Oct | Wed 16 Oct

School Hall

We will invite families to donate long-life food and drink to be donated to our local Food Banks.

We have partnered with Urban Abbey to work with our pupil leaders to create harvest-themed prayer workshops. We hope for some element of these to be shared with our families.



Remembrance Collective Worship

Mon 11 Nov

School Hall, 10:30 – 11:00 am

Our Humanities Leaders will be hosting a short Collective Worship for Remembrance. Children in Y1-Y6 will attend this. Families are welcome to join us.



Christmas Fayre

Wed 4 Dec

School Hall and Playground, 3:15 – 5:00 pm

An opportunity for all in our community to celebrate together.

Food and Drink | Christmas Craft | Christmas Stories | Stalls



EYFS Nativity

Tue 10 Dec

School Hall, Morning Performance 9:30 am, Afternoon Performance 1:30 pm

All families of children in EYFS are invited to attend these performances. Our Learning Mentor will be providing tea and coffee in the Community Room before each performance begins.



Lower Phase Nativity (Y1, Y2 and Y3)

Thu 12 Dec

School Hall, Morning Performance 9:30 am, Afternoon Performance 1:30 pm

All families of children in EYFS are invited to attend these performances. Our Learning Mentor will be providing tea and coffee in the Community Room before each performance begins.



Christmas Pilgrimage

Wed 18 Dec

Children across the school (Y1 – Y6) travel out of school and into Sneinton to visit characters relating to the events of Jesus' birth. They interview the characters and complete activities relating to their event in their classrooms. We ask for adult volunteers to join classes to support walking to the locations. We celebrate the learning in a Collective Worship at 2:30 pm. Families are invited to the afternoon Collective Worship.



Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Service

Thu 19 Dec

St. Stephen's Church 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Children in Key Stage 2 invite their families to join them in a carol concert at St. Stephen's.