ST STEPHEN'S CofE WEEKLY NEWS

Placing God at the centre of all we do, we will nurture, inspire and empower every child so they can live life in all its fullness.

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ANTI-BULLYING WEEK - BREAK THE SILENCE



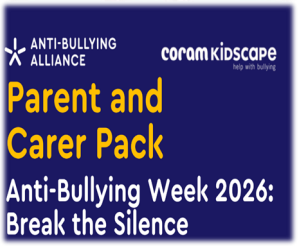
This year, Monday **16th to Friday 20th November '26,** Anti-Bullying Week focuses on the theme 'Break the Silence', encouraging children and adults to speak openly about bullying and work together to make a difference.

We encourage all parents and carers to take a little time this week to talk with their children about what bullying is, how it makes people feel and, most importantly, why it is important to speak up if they experience or witness it. Remind your child that they should never feel alone or afraid to ask a trusted adult for help.



At St Stephen's, we want every child to feel safe, valued, respected and confident to be themselves. By working together, we can create a community where kindness, respect and inclusion are at the heart of everything we do.

Odd Socks Day – Monday 16th November. Pupils and staff will be wearing odd socks to promote the week. Donations of £1.00 will go towards a good cause. We will be kicking off the week by celebrating our differences with Odd Socks Day! Children are invited to wear odd socks to school to show that being unique is something to celebrate.

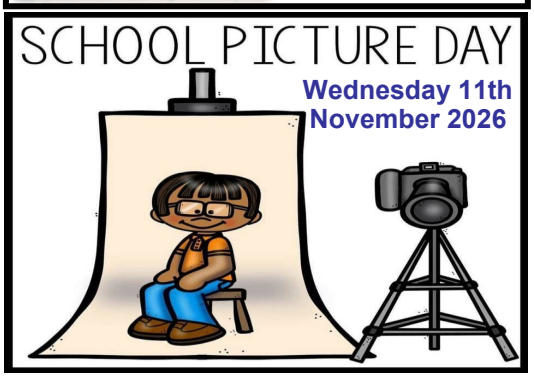


Let's work together to break the silence, stand up to bullying and make kindness count! The Anti-bullying Alliance Parents and Carers Pack is available on Anti-Bullying Week 2026 Parent and Carer pack - Final.pdf - Google Drive

NOTICE & REMINDERS



Donations for the Shoe box Appeal deadline is next Wednesday 11th November 2026



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Chart Week Beginning 2nd November '26



Congratulations to Year 6 Class for their highest attendance!

Autumn Term 2 - Key Dates

EVENT	DATE/TIME
Individual/Siblings photos	Wednesday 11th November
Handwriting Coffee morning	Thursday 12th November
Anti-Bullying week	Monday 16th - Friday 20th November
Year 5 Anne Frank Workshop	Monday 16th November
Year 2 trip - Brockwell Park	Tuesday 17th November
Year 6 trip - RAF Museum	Monday 23rd November
Year 1 trip - National Portrait Gallery	Tuesday 24th November
Year 3 trip - Natural History Museum	Friday 27th November
Year 4 trip - National Army Museum	Tuesday 1st December
Winter Fair	Friday 5th December
Parents Evening Day 1 & 2	Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th December
KS1 Nativity Performance	Wednesday 16th December
Choir performance to parents	Thursday 17th December
Autumn term break	Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January
Inset Day - school closed	Monday 4th January
Children return to school	Tuesday 5th January 2027

HANDWRITING COFFEE MORNING RETURNS!






Photo: Handwriting Coffee morning - Nov' 2025

Following last year's successful coffee morning, and at the request of many parents, our Handwriting Coffee Morning led by Ms Janjua, our Literacy Consultant, will be held on Thursday 12th November in the school hall at 8.45am. The session will offer parents helpful advice and practical strategies to support their children's handwriting at home.

Ms Janjua brings over 20 years of experience supporting schools and pupils to develop and improve literacy.

Ms Ferreira, our Year 2 teacher and Handwriting Lead, will be working alongside Ms Janjua to develop staff expertise through the implementation of the WriteWell handwriting scheme, delivering high-quality training and targeted support for individual pupils and groups. We look forward to seeing you there.