



St Simon's

NEWSLETTER



Friday 11th April 2025

Mrs Crisp's notice

Our Year 3 and Year 4 children did a wonderful job of sharing the Easter Story with us, as a school, on Tuesday morning and then again, with our parents and wider community, on Tuesday evening. The experience was beautiful, poignant and extremely moving. As an audience, we journeyed through the vast amount of mixed emotions, as though we were living and breathing these actual events with Jesus and his disciples. A huge well done to each and every one who took part and who immersed themselves into the performance; it really was spectacular.

Today marks the end of our Spring term, and what a lot of learning there has been. The children and staff are more than ready for a well-earned break. I hope that family members are able to take time away from their busy lives to enjoy some precious quality time over the coming few days.

School re-opens on Monday, 28th April at 8.50am.

A polite reminder that there is an INSET day on the first Friday back, 2nd May, leading into the bank holiday Monday, 5th May, so the the first two weeks back are four day weeks, with a long weekend sandwiched inbetween.

Wishing you all an Easter break filled with love, joy and hope.

God bless

Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we journey through Holy Week, we humbly ask for your guidance and grace. Help us to see Your Son's suffer sacrifice anew, to feel the weight of His suffering, and to be touched by the depth of His love.

May our hearts be opened to the mystery of redemption, and may we find strength to walk with Christ on the path to Calvary and beyond. Lord, grant us the courage to embrace our own crosses, and the hope to share in the joy of Easter's resurrection.

Amen





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VE DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY

On our return to school after the Easter break, we will be nearing the 80th anniversary of VE Day. As a school, we plan to commemorate this event by holding a themed day on Friday 9th May. On this day, the children will be encouraged to dress in 1940's attire. The children will take part in activities throughout the day to help them learn about this historical event. If anybody has any red, white and blue bunting/ party decorations that they are willing to donate, we will gladly accept them in preparation!

**Thank you,
Mrs Fischer**



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HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Parents of schoolchildren in Stockport are being urged to apply for free school meals, with the potential to save up to £400 a year on lunchtime costs, as well as access additional pupil premium funding for their child's education.

Children may be eligible for free school meals if their parents receive any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (with an annual income of no more than £7,400 after tax, excluding benefits)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with an income below £16,190, without receiving Working Tax Credit)

Parents of children in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2 should be particularly attentive. These children automatically receive free meals at lunchtime under government policy. However, even if they are already entitled to free school meals, it is crucial for parents to apply formally. Failure to do so means the school misses out on valuable Pupil Premium funding, which can make a significant difference to educational resources. Additionally, applying ensures that the entitlement continues beyond the age of seven.

How to apply

The application process is simple. Parents can visit the Stockport Council website at <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals> to complete the online form. The council aims to inform both parents and schools of the application outcome within a few days. For any assistance, parents can contact the school office.



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SUMMER UNIFORM

When we return to school on Monday, 28th April, all children are expected to wear our summer uniform.

Boys:

- Navy blue short-sleeved polo shirt (with school logo)
- Red v-necked sweatshirt with the school logo
- Navy blue shorts or trousers
- Black socks
- Black shoes

Girls:

- Red and white checked dress or skorts
- or
- Navy blue shorts, trousers or pinafore dress with navy blue short-sleeved polo shirt (with school logo)
- Red v-necked sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo
- White socks
- Black shoes

Please make sure that your child has a coat with them, even if the weather looks promising or you travel to school by car. The children will be playing outside and they will soon feel cold or damp.

Photographs of the uniform can be found following the link below.

<https://www.st-simons.stockport.sch.uk/site/data/files/migrated/uniform-information/uniform-picture-sheet.pdf>

It is important to mark every item of uniform clearly with your child's name.

Suppliers- Davensports, Wynsors and Warrens.



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TOAST

All St Simon's families are welcome to attend TOAST (Time On A Sunday Together) on Sunday, 9.30am, at St Peter's Parish Centre.

It's a fun way to encounter Jesus through music, worship, fun and games. Those whom attend love it. Please come along to see for yourself.



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SCHOOL MENU

When we return to school on 28th April, we will be on week 3 of the **NEW SUMMER** menu.

A copy of the new menu can be found attached to the newsletter and on our website using the following link.

<https://www.st-simons.stockport.sch.uk/uniform-information>

WEDNESDAY WORD

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/holiday-booklet?pid=MTA101634&v=167.5>



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RESPECT

Reception - Aurora
Year 1 - Aoife N
Year 2 - Merryn
Year 3 - Daniel U
Year 4 - Ishan
Year 5 - Alicja
Year 6 - Cerah

WINNING TEAM

The winning house team
this **HALF TERM** is
St Patrick's.

The house winners for this
WHOLE TERM is St David's.

Well done to all who are in
these houses.

STRIVE

Reception - Harrison
Year 1 - Isabella
Year 2 - Harry
Year 3 - Emily
Year 4 - Jenson
Year 5 - Edie
Year 6 - Betsie
EBNO - Nate

ATTENDANCE

Reception - 92.7%
Year 1 - 96.8%
Year 2 - 98.4%
Year 3 - 98.8% ★
Year 4 - 98.6%
Year 5 - 94.8%
Year 6 - 95.2%

STRIVE VALUE

The most house points
were awarded for being
Spiritual this week.

PUNCTUALITY

Reception - 98.7%
Year 1 - 98.6%
Year 2 - 99.5%
Year 3 - 98.8%
Year 4 - 98.9%
Year 5 - 99.6% ★
Year 6 - 99.2%