



# STEPHENSON WAY ACADEMY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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## Spring 2 Newsletter 3 (Week Ending 8.4.22)

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Welcome to our final newsletter of Spring term. It has been a busy and successful term with lots of excellent progress being made in learning across the school!

### Easter egg Competition:

A massive thank you and well done to everyone who entered into the family decorated Easter egg competition. The response was incredible and the creativity and imagination in the entries was just fabulous! All our winners received an Easter egg and every entrant was given a small prize to thank them for their efforts. Thanks to parents and carers for putting so much time and effort into the projects!

### SEND coffee morning:

This morning, we were delighted to host our first coffee morning and raffle for parents and carers of children who have SEND. As a result of recent parent feedback, Mrs Alton arranged this morning as a valuable opportunity to share support and information and to give the chance for parents to meet each other over a coffee and cake. We were delighted to welcome Lisa Kirton from the SENDIAS team and Kim Oldham from the MHST team, Piece of Mind, who also provided some information about their services and chatted to parents. Mr Taylor, our Chair of Governors also came along to meet everyone. Thanks to everyone who came along: we plan to have this as a termly event and were so pleased that this first session was such a success!

**School Connect Project** Thanks to everyone who has already donated old clothes, shoes etc to our Smart Outdoor Clothing Recycle Container, located outside of the KS 2 hall doors. Each full container earns money for our school fund, so please sort through any old clothes, shoes etc ready to donate and recycle after Easter! Clothes can be put into any black bin-liner and there is no limit to how much you can donate!

### After School Clubs

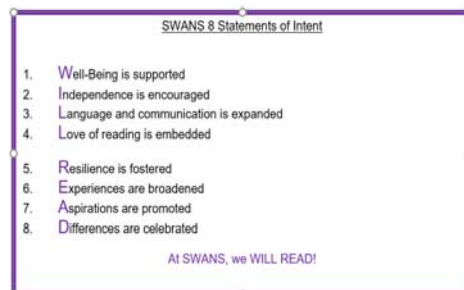
It has been fantastic to see so many children enjoying a wide range of after school clubs so far this academic year. After Easter there will be a change in the clubs offered, see our website link for the full after school clubs timetable. <https://www.stephensonway.co.uk/parents/after-school-clubs>

### Attendance and absence

We continue to monitor attendance across school stringently as well as tracking weekly levels of punctuality per class. School will contact parents/ carers of children who are showing habits of lateness or poor attendance to offer any support. **PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE by 9.30am TO REPORT PUPIL ABSENCE, NOT CLASS DOJO.**

Medical evidence may be required for persistent absences and letters/ texts will be sent as a reminder to any parents/carers who fall into this category.

The vast majority of children attend school every day, making the best possible progress in their learning. Rewards are given during our weekly phase assemblies, with the classes earning the highest level of attendance receiving 'eggs in the nest' and a special Purple Punctuality egg for the highest percentage of children being on time every day. Requests for leave of absence during term time (e.g.) for holidays re-scheduled due to Covid cancellations are unable to be authorised.



### **Covid Isolation Procedures**

Please note that all updated isolation guidance can be found on the school website [www.stephensonway.co.uk](http://www.stephensonway.co.uk)

### **Safeguarding and Online Safety**

Please ensure you have helped your child to secure their set privacy settings etc and that they know how to stay safe online, especially around the use of social media.

Please look at the NSPCC website for further information on how to keep your children safe online

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>. There are also lots of useful links on our school website [www.stephensonway.co.uk](http://www.stephensonway.co.uk) under our Safeguarding section.

### **Uniform**

If you need new uniform this can be ordered directly from [www.elizabethsembroidery.co.uk](http://www.elizabethsembroidery.co.uk).

We do have some PE T shirts available to buy from the school office at £3 each

Jewellery and earrings must be removed for PE and swimming, staff are unable to assist with removal of earrings.

### **Breakfast /Teatime Club/ School meal payments**

Bookings for Breakfast and Tea Time Club must now be made via our online Arbor system and your login details were sent out last term. ~~We are no longer able to accept cash payments.~~ We are now unable to accept any last minute bookings so please ensure you pre-book by Friday of the preceeding week. If you have any issues, please let the office know.

**Car Parks** May we remind parents/carers that you **must not** park in staff car parks. Children must be handed over to / collected from a member of staff during breakfast club/teatime clubs.

### **Change in circumstances via Arbor**

You should now log in to Arbor (log in details sent to you last term) to make changes to address/ phone number/ email. Arbor will then notify the school office of any changes made and we will authorise them. If you have any problems, please contact the office and we will be happy to help.

Please do NOT use theClass Dojo to inform us of any changes to personal details (or absence)

If you wish to change school meal arrangements (moving to packed lunch), we require a form available from the office and 1 week's notice, please.

### **Term Dates 2021 - 22**

**Please note: school will be closed for staff training on the following dates:**

- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

	<b>Break up after school on</b>	<b>Return to school</b>
Spring Term 2 (Easter)	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Summer 1	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022– School Closed for Bank Holiday	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022
Spring 2 Y6 SATs	<b>Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> – Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup> is Y6 SATs.</b>	
Summer Term 1 (Whit Week)	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 <b>(NB school closed for staff training on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022)</b>	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Extra Bank Holiday for Queen's Platinum Jubilee	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2022 <b>(school closed Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July)</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July
Summer Term 2 (Summer )	<b>*IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE*</b> Break up on Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022

**PLEASE NOTE:** An additional Bank Holiday has been given to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year.

This means that school will be closed for staff and children on **MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022**. Children will return to school as normal on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.**

Have a lovely Easter holiday. We look forward to welcoming staff and pupils back to school on **MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

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