



St Stephen's  
CE Primary School

John 13:34 'Love one another, as I have loved you'

# NEWSLETTER

36: Friday 26th June 2026

Learning, loving and growing; together as God's children

## NEXT WEEK

We hope you can join in the fun next week with the morning macarena, home challenges or the colour run on Saturday. We look forward to sharing this special week of honour with you all.

	School Challenge	Home Challenge
Acts of kindness	Carry out 3 random acts of kindness.	Share at home one thing you are thankful for and why.
Be thankful	Write a thank-you message to someone who makes a difference.	Share at home one thing you are thankful for and why.
Spread joy	Make someone smile today	Enjoy listening to music together - Mrs Smith LOVED music!
Inspire	Listen to or read a story about someone who has made a difference	Share a story about someone who inspires you and why.
Teamwork	Work together as a team to achieve something	
Community	Think of how we can show kindness to our community and neighbours.	



Super Mrs Smith Week is about more than remembering — it's about living out the kindness, joy and care that she showed every single day.

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29<sup>th</sup> June - 4<sup>th</sup> July 2026

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The Sycamore Church of England Trust

## Super Mrs Smith Week

A week to honour, recognise and celebrate the difference Mrs Smith made to us all

**MONDAY** Morning Macarena - families invited!

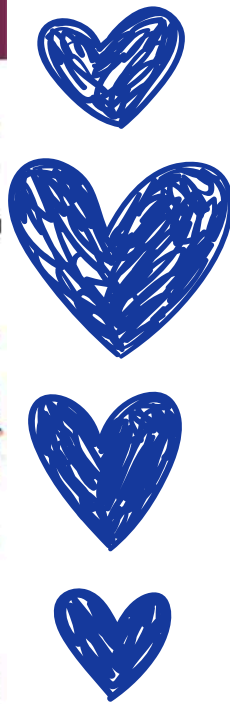
**TUESDAY** Nature Craft in Forest School day - Mrs Smith's favourite spot!

**WEDNESDAY** Learn a new dance day plus assembly with a special guest.

**THURSDAY** BURY FC are joining us for skills sessions and a special assembly - Mrs Smith's favourites!

**FRIDAY** Whole school sports morning and KINDNESS day!

**SATURDAY** Super Mrs Smith COLOUR RUN



## SKIP2BFIT CHAMPIONS

EYFS - Finn  
Year 1 - Ruby  
Year 2 - Karter  
Year 3 - Aleena 219!  
Year 4 - Alex  
Year 5 - Arianna  
Year 6 - Max 297!  
Staff - Mr Davis 205!

Voucher codes will be issued automatically via email from Holiday Activities on Monday 29th June to all children in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

## STAY CONNECTED WITH US:

Phone: 0161 764 1132

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Facebook: [St Stephen's CE Primary School, Bury.](#)

Website: [www.ststephensceprimary.co.uk/](http://www.ststephensceprimary.co.uk/)



LOGIN

LOG INTO OUR

SCHOOL APPS:

Arbor Parent Portal **95%** usage



School Money

# OUR ST.STEPHEN'S SUPERSTARS:

YEAR 1	Halima & Zoya
YEAR 2	Wasi
YEAR 3	Inaaya & Phoebe
YEAR 4	Zoe & David
YEAR 5	Nathan & Ariana
YEAR 6	All of Year 6



# OUR CHARACTER SUPERSTARS:

KEY STAGE 1

Rhoda - Y1

KEY STAGE 2

Jawaria - Y3



# THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE and PUNCTUALITY:

<u>NURSERY</u>	<b>81.58%</b> 0 lates	<u>YEAR 3</u>	<b>96.15%</b> 2 lates
<u>RECEPTION</u>	<b>97.41%</b> 2 lates	<u>YEAR 4</u>	<b>97.27%</b> 3 lates
<u>YEAR 1</u>	<b>96.52%</b> 0 lates	<u>YEAR 5</u>	<b>94.0%</b> 1 late
<u>YEAR 2</u>	<b>94.38%</b> 5 lates	<u>YEAR 6</u>	<b>90.34%</b> 0 lates

Number of lates this week: 13

No improvement from 6 last week!

Punctuality Champions: Nursery, Year 1 & Year 6

Attendance Heroes: Reception



Appointments in term-time:

Appointments, where possible, should be booked in school holidays or after school. This includes routine dental and optician appointments.



# Parent information, support and signposting

Keeping our children, and each other, safe is our number 1 priority at St Stephen's. Each week we will share key information we hope will be useful to our families.



[Link here to our school website for helpful information, links and downloads.](#)

If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Denney (DSL), Mrs Garside or Mr Smith (DDSL)



## St. Stephen's is an Emotionally Friendly Setting

Our EFS accreditation signifies that our school has implemented a whole-school approach to address emotional needs, including clear safeguarding and health and safety policies, demonstrating a strong focus on creating a safe and supportive learning environment for ALL. We are very proud to be the first primary in Bury to receive this!

## FAMILY SUPPORT

Please see Padlet links below for further support:

[For children and young people](#)

[For parents and carers](#)

CLICK HERE

## Emotional and Mental Wellbeing Support

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Thriving IN BURY

**What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ALLERGIES & ANAPHYLAXIS**

An allergy is an overreaction of the immune system to a food or substance that's usually harmless. Symptoms can be mild, but for some people they can be very serious. This is known as anaphylaxis.

**HOW TO SAY ANAPHYLAXIS: ANA-FIL-AX-IS**

**ALLERGIES AND ANAPHYLAXIS**

- Mild allergy symptoms are treated with antihistamines.
- Anaphylaxis is treated with adrenaline, which is administered via an adrenaline device, injected into the outer upper thigh or using a nasal device.
- Anaphylaxis is a medical emergency and a threat to life.

**WHAT ADRENALINE DOES**

Adrenaline reduces swelling, opens the patient's airways and raises their blood pressure. Patients must go to hospital for monitoring, as the reaction could return.

**TOP 14 FOOD ALLERGENS:** (However, be aware people can be allergic to anything.)

CELERY, FISH, CRUSTACEANS, EGGS, MILK, SOYA, WHEAT, CEREALS, TREE NUTS, SESAME, MUSTARD, MOLLUSCS, PEANUTS, SULPHITES

**ANAPHYLAXIS SYMPTOMS**

**AIRWAY**  
Symptoms include swelling in the throat, tongue or upper airways; tightening of the throat; a hoarse voice; and difficulty swallowing.

**BREATHING**  
Symptoms include persistent cough; sudden onset of wheezing; breathing difficulty; and noisy breathing.

**CIRCULATION**  
Symptoms include pale and clammy skin; dizziness; feeling faint; sudden lightheadedness; tiredness; confusion; and loss of consciousness. In extreme cases of anaphylaxis, there could be a dramatic fall in the patient's blood pressure. The patient may become weak and floppy, and have a sense of something terrible happening. Any of the ABC symptoms listed above may lead to collapse and unconsciousness and, on rare occasions, be fatal.

**NON-FOOD ALLERGENS:** POLLEN, PET HAIR/DANDER, INSECT VENOM, MEDICATION/DRUGS

**LINKS TO FURTHER RESOURCES** - Scan the QR codes to find out more

Allergiseek, EpiPen, Jist, ADRENALINE AND AAS

While many allergies cause mild symptoms, some can lead to anaphylaxis, a serious and potentially life-threatening reaction. This guide helps parents, carers and educators understand the warning signs and feel more prepared to support children with allergies.

The guide covers:

- Key signs of anaphylaxis
  - Symptoms linked to airway, breathing and circulation
  - Common food allergens, including milk, eggs, fish, peanuts and sesame
  - Non-food triggers such as pollen, insect venom and medication
  - The role of adrenaline auto-injectors
- clear, practical awareness can help adults respond quickly and confidently when it matters most.

Read the guide [here](#)

The app includes:

- Over 2000 articles & videos
- Translates into over 75 languages
- Health information from pregnancy to teenage years for you and your family
- Receive the latest local health and parenting advice



The Local Offer helps SEND families access information about the services that are available to them.



We now use School Grid for pre-ordering school meals.

Please login and book your child's meals in advance. Without booking in advance, your child may not receive their first choice of meal.

If you do not have access, please speak to the school office.

# WHAT'S ON THE MENU NEXT WEEK?

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
ORANGE	Chicken Tikka Curry, 50/50 Rice, Naan	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Pork Sausage Dinner With Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Breaded Fish Fingers
BLUE	Halal Chicken Tikka Curry, 50/50 Rice, Naan	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Halal Chicken Sausage Dinner With Gravy	Halal Spaghetti Bolognese	Breaded Fish Fingers
PURPLE	Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake	Free Range Egg Omelette	Quorn Fillet Dinner With Gravy	Cheesy Frittata	Vegetable Nuggets
GREEN	Choice of Jacket Potato	Choice of Jacket Potato	Choice of Jacket Potato	Choice of Jacket Potato	Choice of Jacket Potato
YELLOW	Choice of Sandwich	Choice of Sandwich	Choice of Sandwich	Choice of Sandwich	Choice of Sandwich
Accompaniments	Mini Corn Cobs Jacket Wedges	Steamed Mixed Vegetables Smokey Diced Potatoes	Fresh Carrots Fresh Broccoli Mashed Potatoes	Garden Peas Garlic Sliced Potatoes	Baked Beans Oven Chips
Desserts	Wibble Strawberry Jelly Yeo Organic Fruit Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Apple Sponge & Custard Yeo Organic Fruit Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Strawberry Smoothie Pot Yeo Organic Fruit Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Banana Flapjack Yeo Organic Fruit Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Organic Rainbow Fruity Ice Lolly Yeo Organic Fruit Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter



# THE YEAR OF READING AT ST. STEPHEN'S

PROUD TO SUPPORT THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING

## BURY LIBRARIES SERVICE

GO ALL IN.



VISIT US ONLINE TO ACCESS EBOOKS, AUDIOBOOKS, RENEW & RESERVE ITEM & EMAGAZINES WWW.BURY.GOV.UK/LIBRARIES



**WEEK DAYS (ALL LOCATIONS)**  
 Tuesday 10AM - 4.30PM  
 Wednesday 10AM - 4.30PM  
 Thursday 12:30PM - 7PM  
 Friday 10AM - 4.30PM

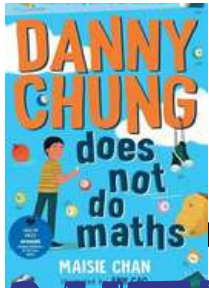
**WEEKENDS**  
 Saturday 9:30AM - 1PM (BURY, RADCLIFFE & RAMSBOTTOM)  
 SUNDAY 9.30AM - 1PM (PRESTWICH)  
 VISIT US ONLINE AT WWW.BURY.GOV.UK/LIBRARIES

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I ♥ BOOKS  
 One of my favourite books is Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths, by Maisie Chan



# AUTHOR WORDS OF THE WEEK

Another wonderful author, who needs no introduction, Mr Edge!

@edgechristopher and @vocabularyninja

## Christopher Edge

Christopher Edge is an award-winning children's author who grew up in Manchester where he spent most of his childhood in the local library dreaming up stories, but now lives in Gloucestershire where he spends most of his time in the local library dreaming up stories. His most recent novel, The Jamie Drake Equation, was chosen by The Times as their Children's Book of the Week, whilst his previous novel, The Many Worlds of Albie Bright was nominated for the 2017 CILIP Carnegie Medal.



**infinite** - limitless, space, amount or context.

**abyss** - a deep or seemingly bottomless chasm.

@Vocabularyninja





Monday 13th July

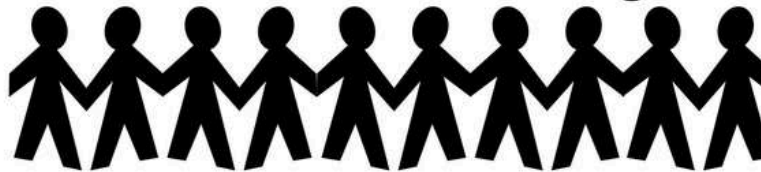
# Family Breakfast

Join us for a slice of toast  
and a hot/cold drink.



**8.15am**

We can't wait to see you!



# SAVE THE DATE



# Super Mrs Smith Week



29<sup>th</sup> June - 4<sup>th</sup> July 2026



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# Super Mrs Smith

# SATURDAY

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2026. 12pm - 2pm



**YOU are in the spotlight:**

*Melissa* Year 4

**Favourite food:** Pasta

**Favourite film/programme:** Disney films - my favourite is 'Inside Out'

**Favourite subject:** French

**What is the best thing about St Stephen's?** The teachers

**What would make St Stephen's better?** If more children were to come to the school

**What is your greatest achievement in school?** My streak on Duolingo

**What is your greatest achievement out of school?** My football

**Anything else?** St Stephen's is the best school!

*you are*  
**A·M·A·Z·I·N·G**

If you need support with your wellbeing, speak to one of our Wellbeing Warriors, Mrs Cooney or Katie. **YOU matter!**



**Wellbeing Club with Katie every:**

**MONDAY**

12.30-1.00pm in HUB Connect

**Joke of the week:**

How can you tell if the sun is happy?

It is beaming!

**Kindness**  
spotlight

CHOOSE kindness

**Henry G** Year 5

Your kindness makes our school shine!

Wellbeing WISDOM from the warriors:

**GIVE**  
Share compliments freely and sincerely.

**WINNING WAYS TO WELLBEING**



TALK & LISTEN, BE THERE, FEEL CONNECTED



Your time, your words, your presence



REMEMBER THE SIMPLE THINGS THAT GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW EXPERIENCES, SEE OPPORTUNITIES, SURPRISE YOURSELF



DO WHAT YOU CAN, ENJOY WHAT YOU DO, MOVE YOUR MOOD

NHS 5 ways to wellbeing

INTRODUCE THESE FIVE SIMPLE STRATEGIES INTO YOUR LIFE AND YOU WILL FEEL THE BENEFITS.



**Reflection of the week:**

**TOO MUCH STUFF?**

Don't be obsessed with getting more material things. Be relaxed with what you have.

**KID TIP**

Hebrews 13:5

If you find yourself focussing too much on stuff, try spending a little less time shopping and a little more time talking to God. Remember this fact: too much stuff doesn't ensure happiness. In fact, having too much stuff can actually prevent happiness.

**A PRAYER FOR TODAY**

Dear God, help me remember that the stuff I own isn't very important. What's really important is the love that I feel in my heart for my family, the love that I feel for Jesus, and the love that I feel for You. Amen.



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# Inclusion Champions



Our



sign

of the



week

is



## RELAX

Both flat hands with thumbs extended start in front of chest. Both hands move towards signer until tips of thumbs are touching upper chest.



Our Inclusion Champions are working on a sensory garden area to support children with their sensory needs.

Bury

Young People's  
Mental Health  
Support Team  
Thrive in Education

Hello, my name is Katie



NHS

Pennine Care  
NHS Foundation Trust

### Who are Bury Mental Health Support Team (MHST)?

We are a service who works with Bury schools and colleges to support children and young people who struggle with their mental health.

Our goals are:

- To work with children, young people or parents on their own or in a group.
- To work with teachers to make school an emotionally friendly place for all.
- To give advice to school staff to help children and young people get the right support.



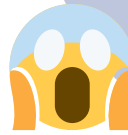
I'm an Education Mental Health Practitioner



### How can I help?

I am trained to help children and young people, who may start to struggle with emotions such as;

**Worry, sadness or fear**



My allocated day with your school is:

**MONDAY**

From 3<sup>rd</sup>

November 2025

I work all year round so, i can support you during the school holidays.

### How to ask for help?

If you are struggling with your emotions, please speak to;

- Your teacher
- Mrs Denney
- Mrs Cooney
- Parents/Carers
- Any trusted adult



### What do I do?

- Work closely with school staff to help make school a happy and emotionally friendly place for everyone.
- Deliver workshops and teaching for school staff, pupils and parents.
- Offer advice about other services that are available within Bury so that you get the right support.



### A bit about me:

Some fun facts about me:

- I really enjoy reading
- My favourite animal is a Lion
- I don't like spiders!



I look forward to working within your school and meeting you all.

Katie is in school every  
**MONDAY**

In partnership with:

Early Break



For the year's overview, please view school calendar

Event	Date
Celebration Worship	Friday 3pm
Super Mrs Smith Week	Monday 29th June - Friday 3rd July
Super Mrs Smith Saturday - BOOK NOW	Saturday 4th July at 12:00pm
<b>The Sycamore Trust Concert at Bury Parish Church</b>	<b>Tuesday 30th June - Parents welcome 1:15pm start</b>
Year 6 Leavers Service @ Manchester Cathedral	Thursday 2nd July
Sports Day - 9-10 EYFS/KS1. 10.30-12pm KS2	Friday 3rd July
Trust Kwik Cricket Tournament (by invite only)	Monday 6th July
Excel Tennis Tournament (by invite only)	Tuesday 7th July (Y3/4 9:30am, Y5/6 1pm)
Welcome to Nursery September 2026 Tour of EYFS	Tuesday 7th July at 4:00pm
Welcome to Nursery September 2026 Stay & Play	Wednesday 8th July at 10:00am
St Stephen's Got Talent	Wednesday 8th July
Nursery Sports 'Day'	Thursday 9th July at 2pm
Family Breakfast	Monday 13th July at 8:15am
End of Year Church Service	Friday 17th July at 10am
Year 6 Leavers Service	Friday 17th July at 1.15pm
School closes for Summer	Friday 17th July at <b>2:30pm</b> ✨

We return to school on Wednesday 2nd September (Y1-Y6)  
Pupils in Nursery & Reception will receive separate confirmation of their start date.



# BURY HOLIDAY Activities & Food Programme



## HAF SUMMER 2026

HAF is funded by The Department of Education to provide Food and Activities to families in receipt of benefits related Free School Meals.

Voucher codes with 16 credits will be issued automatically via email from Holiday Activities on **Monday 29 June 2026** to all children in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

If you are in receipt of benefits related free school meals but do not receive your voucher email please contact school.

This Summer we have providers in varied venues across the whole of the borough.

### Activities Available include

- Forest Schools
- Football Camps
- Multisport Clubs
- Martial Arts
- Drama and Theatre Workshops
- Dance, and so much more .....

SEND Provision is offered by a number of Providers. With SEND Specific Places provided by Bee Inclusive and Funtime.

Scan the QR code for more information on HAF.

A full list of Providers, dates and time, and the level of need they are equipped to provider activities will be available on the Bury HAF Webpage by 29/06/2026

### Find activities



Scan the QR code to find  
and book activities



[bury.gov.uk/bury-haf](https://bury.gov.uk/bury-haf)

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