

Communication at St Stephen's RC PS

How does the school communicate with me? How can I communicate with the school?

Communication is varied from the school. Teachers are available to speak with parents/carers after school in the courtyard if needed. We have a dedicated phone number to call if you require to speak between 0900 and 1600. The phone number is **01250 871950**. Staff may also call you at times potentially with an update regarding learning.

The school is now a "cashless school". This means that all payments for school meals, trips etc are via this system. No cash should be brought into the school for anything other than perhaps fundraising events such as Mary's Meals events or the forthcoming Christmas Evening.

School app

This is available to download free of charge via the app "School app for parents" a green and yellow logo. Once downloaded select St Stephen's RC PS as your chosen school. The username is: ststephensps and the code is 1901. The app is a great resource. This provides message updates direct to your phone (please ensure your phone is set-up to collect these). The app provides:

- Access to school calendar
- Access to newsletters
- Latest news section
- Access to the school handbook and Twitter updates
- Up to date messages/reminders
- A link to call the school office
- Links to ParentPay and school uniform ordering

ParentPay

For all payments and to give permission for anything, please use ParentPay. ParentPay does not have an app facility.



SeeSaw is a fantastic app allowing families to access their child's learning 24/7. Teachers upload learning progress through video, photos and examples of learning. Children may also add their own learning to their folio and comment. This platform allows a record of progress from the learner. Staff also may put reminders on this platform of dates ahead. Parents and carers are able to "like" a post and area able to add comments surrounding learning that has taken place. This builds important learning conversations at home.

Border Embroideries Website

Please visit <u>www.border-embroideries.co.uk</u> for all your uniform needs (link available via the app). PE T-Shirts are available via this site – please ensure that you order the correct House PE T shirt. Additional school ties are available via the office – please pay for these via ParentPay.



@ststephensrcpri

Our Twitter feed is updated regularly celebrating success, outdoor learning and visits. This is a public page and you do not require to be on Twitter to access this. Please do follow us and see the many successes and stories going on involving our young learners in school, in the local community and across Scotland.

Newsletters

Newsletters are available on the school app and via ParentPay.

Why do I still receive paper communication in the green folder?

Occasionally outside agencies will use a printed method of communication. This could be from St John's Academy or Blairgowrie High School or many of the partner organisations involved with the school who do not have access to communicate via the school platforms.

Does my child still need a green folder?

Yes, this allows you to send any communication into school. The folder also has an important purpose in that it is the folder to store home learning, reading books and reading records. Any occasional flyers from partner agencies will come home via the flyer. Replacement folders are available via Border Embroideries.