

A LEGACY OF **50** YEARS IN EDUCATION
21 GLORIOUS YEARS IN CHAMBA

SCHOOL PROSPECTUS 2025-2026



**ST. STEPHEN'S SR. SEC.
SCHOOL ,CHAMBA**

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"WHERE EDUCATION MEETS ETHICS"

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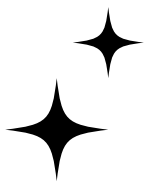
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THE MESSAGE



**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
VISHAL STARAWALA**

St. Stephen's welcomes you to a school like no other. At our school, you will have the chance to question, explore, create and develop your own interest. Established 20 years ago, St. Stephen's has marked itself as one of the best schools in Chamba. We always encourage the students to dream whatever they want to become or achieve; then make a proper plan, for its achievement and implement it. We assure you will definitely succeed.

As Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam once said:

***Dream, Dream Dream
Dreams transform into thoughts
And thoughts result into action***

We are a school with a difference. We value individualism, creativity and innovation.

We feel you will find your time with us both enjoyable and highly rewarding.

We thank our almighty God for his blessings upon us and I dedicate all my work to my mother Late Mrs. Kamla Sharma.

From the

PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Poonam Sharma
Principal

Dear St. Stephen's School Community,

As we continue our journey together, I am grateful for the opportunity to lead this incredible community of students, parents, and staff. Our shared commitment to learning, growth, and success is what makes our school a special place.

Education is a continuous process of exploration and discovery, where each individual has the chance to uncover their potential and achieve greatness. Our school is a vibrant hub of creativity, curiosity, and diversity, where every voice is valued and every perspective is respected.

I encourage each of you to embrace the opportunities for growth and learning that our school provides. Remember the words of Albert Einstein, who said, "Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think." Let us approach each day with curiosity, enthusiasm, and a commitment to excellence.

Together, let us create a vibrant learning community where every individual is valued, respected, and supported in reaching their full potential. I am confident that with dedication, perseverance, and a spirit of collaboration, we can achieve great things.

Thank you for being a vital part of our school community!

HISTORY OF ST. STEPHEN'S

St. Stephen's Sr. Sec. School, Chamba, was founded in 2004 by Mr. Vishal Starawala, the Administrative Head. It is supported by the St. Stephen's Educational Society, which is registered under the Societies Act of 1860. St. Stephens Education Society is a beacon of educational excellence since its establishment in 1976 in Mandi H.P.. With a steadfast commitment to nurturing young minds, we take pride in our rich history of continuous service. For over four decades, we have been dedicated to providing quality education, fostering holistic development, and shaping the future leaders of tomorrow. Join us on this journey of academic exploration, innovation, and community building as we continue to uphold the values that have defined St. Stephens Education Society for generations. This educational institution aims to provide quality education to students in Chamba and its surrounding areas. With a strong emphasis on academic excellence, the school strives to nurture the holistic development of its students. Through its well-structured curriculum and dedicated faculty, St. Stephen's Sr. Sec. School aims to create a conducive learning environment that promotes intellectual growth and fosters character building. The school also encourages students to actively participate in co-curricular activities for their overall personality development.

Our mission

The Mission of the school is to provide an environment that lays emphasis on intellectual and emotional growth in which every student discovers and realizes his/her full potential and highest academic standards are achieved;

Where emphasis is laid on integrity, ethics, moral courage, hard work, responsibility and self-discipline;

Where activities focus on developing visionary, articulate and confident individuals, with sensitivity and concern for the less fortunate, the environment, diversity and communal harmony, human rights and democratic values;

Where students, teachers, parents and the administration work together as a nurturing community. It aims to be an institution of excellence where sound ethical values, character, wisdom, leadership, service and academic achievement are encouraged in a safe and nurturing environment.

Our vision

Our school has a clear mission to provide education that aligns with the needs of life and the aspirations of the nation. Our main objective is to ensure the holistic development of its students, both physically and mentally, while instilling strong moral values. Our school strives to provide deep and extensive knowledge, encouraging a healthy and strong character in its students. It also aims to instill confidence in them, preparing them to face the challenges of life head on. Additionally, our school is committed to eradicate social evils such as casteism, religious intolerance, and superstitions by promoting a secular and scientific outlook. It also emphasizes the importance of dignity of labour, social justice, and ethical values. With a team of experienced and insightful teachers who share a common belief in the school's goals, the institution is dedicated to train its students to become responsible and exemplary citizens.

ACADEMICS

Our school offers classes from Nursery all the way up to 12th grade. In senior secondary classes, which are 11th and 12th grade, we have two streams. We have a science stream, which includes both medical and non-medical options, and a commerce stream. So, whether someone wants to pursue a career in medicine, engineering or business, our school has got them covered!

Faculty and Staff:

Our faculty members are accomplished scholars and experts in their respective fields, bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience to the classroom. They are passionate about mentoring and guiding students, fostering an environment of intellectual curiosity and academic rigor. Our staff members are also committed to providing the necessary support and resources to ensure that students thrive academically.

Academic Support Services:

We understand that academic success is not solely dependent on classroom instruction. That's why we offer a range of support services, including tutoring, academic advising, library resources, and career counseling, to ensure that students have the tools they need to excel academically and prepare for their future careers.

Regular Tests:

We conduct regular tests throughout the academic year to assess students' understanding of the material and their progress. These tests are designed to provide valuable feedback to both students and teachers, helping to identify areas for improvement and celebrate areas of success.

Monthly & Semester Exams

We administer monthly Exams to gauge students' comprehension of the material covered over the course of each month and at the end of each semester, we conduct comprehensive exams that cover the material taught during that period. These exams are designed to assess students' overall grasp of the curriculum and provide a comprehensive review of their academic progress.

Quizzes:

To reinforce learning and keep students engaged, we also conduct quizzes on a monthly basis. Quizzes are a valuable tool for assessing students' understanding of specific topics and encouraging active participation in the learning process.

Regular Reporting to Parents:

We understand the importance of keeping parents informed about their child's academic performance. As such, we provide regular reports on students' progress, including test scores, class participation, and overall academic performance. These reports are shared with parents in a timely manner, allowing for ongoing communication and collaboration between teachers, students, and parents.

Parent-Teacher Conferences:

In addition to regular reports, we also schedule parent-teacher conferences to provide an opportunity for in-depth discussions about each student's progress. These conferences allow parents to gain a comprehensive understanding of their child's academic journey and collaborate with teachers to support their child's growth and development.

EXTRACURRICULAR

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



Our school takes great pride in showcasing the rich diversity that exists within our community through our annual cultural fest "**REMINISCENCE**". This event provides a platform for students from different backgrounds to come together and celebrate their unique traditions, customs, and beliefs. The atmosphere is filled with vibrant colors, enchanting melodies, and mouth-watering aromas as participants showcase their talents through dance performances, musical recitals, and culinary delights. From traditional attire to artistic displays, the cultural fest offers a sensory feast for all attendees. It is an opportunity for everyone to learn, appreciate, and embrace the various cultures that coexist within our school.

Our school also organizes an annual inter-house cultural competition called "**Tussle**". This competition includes participation from all the houses in the school, showcasing the diverse cultural talents of the students. The event features various cultural activities such as traditional dances representing different states of India, singing performances, and other cultural displays. "Tussle" provides a platform for the students to express their artistic abilities and celebrate the rich cultural heritage of our country.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES



We take pride in our commitment to sports excellence. Our school is renowned for its outstanding sports programs and facilities, and we are dedicated to nurture the athletic potential of our students.

We believe that a healthy body leads to a healthy mind. That's why we prioritize sports and physical education as an integral part of our curriculum.

Every month, we organize various sports activities to encourage our students to stay active and participate in different sports. These activities not only promote physical fitness but also instill teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship among our students.

One of the highlights of our sports calendar is our annual **Sports Fest**, where students showcase their talents and compete in a wide range of sporting events. The Sports Fest is a celebration of athleticism, camaraderie, and school spirit, and it brings the entire school community together in a fun and competitive atmosphere.

We are proud to say that our school is best in sports, and we are committed to provide our students with the opportunities and resources they need to excel in their chosen sports.

FESTIVAL CELEBRATION



In our school, we celebrate every festival with great enthusiasm and joy. These celebrations play a crucial role in teaching our students the importance of unity and togetherness, regardless of one's caste or religion. By actively participating in these festivities, our students have the opportunity to learn about the diverse cultures and customs of their fellow classmates. It creates a sense of belonging and understanding among the students, fostering a harmonious environment within our school community. These celebrations also serve as a platform for cultural exchange and appreciation, allowing our students to embrace and respect the different traditions and beliefs of others. Overall, our school's emphasis on celebrating festivals, promotes inclusivity, acceptance, and a deep sense of cultural awareness.

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES



At St. Stephen's Sr. Sec. School, Chamba, we believe that learning goes beyond the classroom, and our Saturday Activity Program for pre-primary kids is designed to foster creativity, confidence, and holistic development in a joyful and engaging environment. These activities enhance creativity, develop motor skills, boost confidence, and encourage experiential learning, making Saturdays both fun and educational.



Our program includes a variety of engaging activities such as Art & Craft Wonderland, where children explore painting, paper folding, and clay modeling to enhance their creativity. Music & Movement sessions introduce them to action rhymes, dance, and rhythm exercises, while Storytelling Sessions bring stories to life through puppets, role play, and interactive discussions. To ensure physical well-being, we have Fun with Fitness, including yoga, free play, and obstacle courses.



OTHER ACTIVITIES



Our school prioritizes creativity and offers various opportunities for students to display their talents. We arrange a diverse range of extracurricular activities that cater to different interests. These include fancy dress competitions, antakshari competitions, debate and declamation events, slogan writing, drawing competitions, calligraphy contests, reading and writing competitions, and quizzes. We aim to provide something for everyone! These activities not only encourage healthy competition but also aid in the development of students' confidence, critical thinking skills, and teamwork abilities.



THE SPECULUM

THE SPECULUM is the annual magazine of our school, first published in **2016**. It serves as a platform for students and teachers to express their creativity, thoughts, and reflections. The magazine features a diverse range of content, including poetry, short stories, articles, personal experiences, and more.

Divided into various sections such as English, Science, Hindi, Fun, and Puzzles, Speculum encapsulates the essence of our school's academic and extracurricular journey throughout the year. Each section is led by a student head and a teacher head, ensuring a well-structured and engaging compilation. The editorial and management responsibilities are overseen by the Student Council, making Speculum a true representation of our school's vibrant intellectual and creative spirit.

A unique feature of Speculum is its student-led editorial team, where each section is managed by a Student Head and a Teacher Head. The editorial team is responsible for curating and refining content, ensuring high-quality publications. The entire magazine is overseen and managed by the Student Council, fostering leadership, teamwork, and responsibility among students.

More than just a publication, Speculum is a celebration of our school's vibrant learning culture. It encourages students to think creatively, express themselves confidently, and develop a passion for writing and critical thinking. The magazine stands as a testament to the dedication and enthusiasm of both students and teachers, making it an integral part of our school's identity.

OUR TEAM

Our dedicated official members, faculty and staff are the heart and soul of our institution. Committed to excellence in education and fostering a supportive learning environment, our team is comprised of passionate individuals who bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our school community.



At St. Stephen's, we recognize the invaluable contributions of every member of our team, including our peons, nannies, drivers, and conductors. These individuals play a vital role in ensuring the smooth functioning of our school and creating a safe and nurturing environment for our students.

STUDENT COUNCIL

At our school we believe in nurturing leadership and fostering a sense of community among our students. Our Student Council, comprised of dedicated individuals elected by their peers, plays a vital role in representing student interests, organizing events, and promoting unity within our school.



SCHOOL CAPTIAN & VICE CAPTIAN

Our student captain and vice-captain play a pivotal role in shaping the culture and spirit of our school. They are not just leaders, but also role models, mentors, and ambassadors of our school's values and ethos. These young individuals are chosen for their exceptional leadership qualities, integrity, and dedication to serve their peers and the school community. These young leaders work closely with the faculty and administration to address student concerns, organize school events, and act as a liaison between the student body and the school's leadership. The student captain and vice-captain are an integral part of our school community, and their dedication and passion contribute significantly to the overall growth and development of our students. We are proud to have such outstanding individuals leading the way and look forward to witness their positive impact on our school community.

HOUSES

Welcome to our vibrant school community, where we foster a sense of camaraderie, healthy competition, and a spirit of unity through our unique house system.

Our students and teachers are divided into three distinct houses:
Harmony House, Dignity House, and Legacy House.

Each house represents a set of values and qualities that we aim to instill in our school community.

To strengthen the bond within each house, we have appointed Student and Teacher captains and vice-captains who lead and guide their respective houses.

At our school, we believe in the power of healthy competition and the development of well-rounded individuals. Therefore, all our activities, whether academic, cultural, or sports-related, are based on house competitions. From essay writing and reading challenges to cultural performances, sports events, drawing competitions, slogan writing, card making, rangoli making, and other creative activities, every student has the opportunity to showcase their talents and contribute to their house's success.

Throughout the academic year, the houses engage in friendly rivalry, encouraging teamwork, skill development, and a strong sense of belonging.

The culmination of these events is our annual function, where the house that emerges victorious across all competitions is awarded the prestigious trophy for overall excellence.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

At St. Stephen's Sr. Sec. School , we believe in the power of student voice and representation. That's why we're proud to introduce you to our Class Representatives, dynamic individuals elected by their peers to serve as advocates for student needs and concerns.

What is a Class Representative?

A Class Representative is a student elected by their classmates to represent their interests, ideas, and feedback within the school community. They play a crucial role in fostering communication between students and school administration, ensuring that every student's voice is heard and valued.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- **Voice of the Class:** Class Representatives act as the voice of their classmates, bringing forward their ideas, concerns, and suggestions to the Student Council and school administration.
- **Problem Solver:** They work proactively to address issues and challenges faced by their peers, seeking solutions and advocating for positive change within the school.
- **Community Builder:** Class Representatives strive to foster a sense of belonging and unity within their class, organizing activities, events, and initiatives that promote camaraderie and teamwork.
- **Role Model:** As elected leaders, Class Representatives set an example for their peers through their dedication, integrity, and commitment to serve the student body.



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

2025-26



MARCH

ADMISSION
NEW SESSION

03-03-25

APRIL

TEACHING
WORK

16-04-25

MAY

FRESHER'S
PARTY



JUNE

FIRST MONTHLY
TESTS

09-06-25

FIRST PARENT'S
MEETING



JULY

SUMMER
VACATIONS

22 JUNE-29 JULY

AUGUST

SECOND MONTHLY
TESTS

23-08-25

SEPTEMBER

FIRST SEMESTER
EXAMS

15-09-25

OCTOBER

REMINISCENCE
2025

12-10-25



NOVEMBER

SECOND PARENT'S
MEETING

DECEMBER

THIRD MONTHLY
TESTS

01-12-25

JANUARY

WINTER
VACATIONS
11 JAN-16 JAN
FOURTH MONTHLY TESTS
AND PRE-BOARDS
27 JAN

FEBRUARY

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2026

14-02-26



MARCH

FINAL EXAMS

09-03-26

FINAL RESULT
DECLARATION

31-03-26



HOLIDAYS



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Mubarak



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APRIL

6TH APRIL-RAM NAVAMI
14TH APRIL-DR. BR AMBEDKAR JAYANTI
15TH APRIL-HIMACHAL DAY
18TH APRIL-GOOD FIRDAY
29TH APRIL-PARSHURAM JAYANTI

MAY

12TH MAY-BUDHA PURNIMA
29TH MAY-MAHARANA PRATAP JAYANTI

JUNE

7TH JUNE-EID-UL-JUHA
11TH JUNE-SANT GURU KABAIR JAYANTI

JULY

06TH JULY-MUHARAM
27TH JULY-MINJAR FAIR

AUGUST

9TH AUGUST-RAKSHABANDHAN
15TH AUGUST-INDEPENDENCE DAY
16TH AUGUST-JANMASHTAMI

SEPTEMBER

MANIMEHESH MELA

OCTOBER

2ND OCT-MAHATMA GANDHI JAYANTI
2N OCT-DUSSEHRA
7TH OCT-MAHARISHI VALMIKI JAYANTI
10TH OCT-KARVA CHAOUTH
20TH OCT-DIWALI
23RD OCT-BHAI DUJ

NOVEMBER

5TH NOV-GURUNANAK DEV JAYANTI

DECEMBER

25TH DEC-CHRISTMAS



Activity



Calendar

2025 - 2026



May

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION



DECLAMATION AND SLOGAN
WRITING ON WORLD NO
TOBACCO DAY



June

SCIENCE QUIZ ON
WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY



INTER- HOUSE DANCE
COMPETITION



YOGA DAY CELEBRATION



July

SUMMER VACATION

August

RAKHI MAKING COMPETITION



INDEPENDENCE DAY
CELEBRATION



JANMASHTAMI CELEBRATION



September

TEACHER'S DAY
CELEBRATION



OCTOBER

REMIINISCENCE 2025



DIWALI CELEBRATION



November

3-DAY SPORTS FEST



December



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION



January

NEW YEAR CELEBRATION



HIMACHAL QUIZ
COMPETITION



WINTER VACATION

February



AUREVOIR 2026

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

EVERY SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, ENGAGING AND
EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES ARE CONDUCTED FOR
PRE-PRIMARY STUDENTS IN OUR SCHOOL TO FOSTER
CREATIVITY, LEARNING, AND FUN, ENSURING A VIBRANT
START TO THEIR WEEKENDS.



