

# St Helen's Catholic Primary School



## Newsletter



7<sup>th</sup> December 2018

### Senior Leaders' Special Mentions

Year 6 for their exemplary behaviour during their trip to London this week.

#### Reminder for Year 3 Parents/Carers

Don't forget that pupils from classes 3FC and 3G will be singing Carols in the Nature Area at 3.30pm next Thursday, and would love you to join them.

#### Reminder for Year 4, 5 & 6 Parents/Carers

Pupils from Year 4, 5 & 6 will be taking part in our annual Carol service in Church next Thursday at 6.30pm.

They need to be brought to the Church hall for 6.15pm. (Don't forget to let their class teacher know if they **cannot** attend).

Thank you



#### St Helen's Mission Statement

Respect yourself  
Respect everyone in our School Community  
Respect everyone in our local community  
Respect everyone in our global community  
But most of all, respect God our Father in Heaven



#### Reminder for Year 1 Parents and Carers

Jellyfish and Starfish pupils will be performing their Nativity at 10am next Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December.

Please come along to share the Christmas message.

#### Reading Competition

Once again, we will be running our very popular 'Extreme Christmas Reading' competition. Prizes will be given for winners of the 'Most festive' pictures.

We look forward to seeing all of the interesting places and ways in which you will be reading this Christmas.

Please bring in your photos and give them to Miss Appleyard. Alternatively, you can email them to [office@st-helens.southend.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-helens.southend.sch.uk)



# Diary Dates

## DEC

**10<sup>th</sup> re-arranged swim lesson Yr 5/6**

**12<sup>th</sup> 10am** Yr 1 Nativity

**12pm** Children's

Christmas Lunch

**13<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm** Year 3 Carols

in the Nature Area/Grotto

**6.30pm** Years 4, 5 and 6

Carol Service in St Helen's Church

**14<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm** Christmas Fair

**18<sup>th</sup> 10am** Year R Nativity

**2.15pm** Yr 2 Nativity

**19<sup>th</sup> 10am** Choir

performing at Alston Court

**20<sup>th</sup>** Last day of term

## JAN

**4<sup>th</sup> Back to school**

### OUR WEB ADDRESS

[www.st-](http://www.st-helens.southend.sch.uk)

[helens.southend.sch.uk](http://www.st-helens.southend.sch.uk)

### SCHOOL GATEWAY

(for payments, messages, dinner orders etc.)

[www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)

**click above for links**

### Summertime Events

For information on events being held at Summertime Children's Centre at Milton Hall Primary School see

[www.southend.gov.uk/chil](http://www.southend.gov.uk/chil)

[dcare](http://www.southend.gov.uk/chil) or alternatively you can contact them on 01702

433599 or by email at

[summertime@miltonhall.southend.sch.uk](mailto:summertime@miltonhall.southend.sch.uk)

### Reminder

Applications for **Reception class of September 2019**

and supporting paperwork must be with us by

**January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019.**

If you are awaiting a Priest's appointment you can send your application form in now and follow it up with the Certificate of Practice, as long as it is here by **January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019.**

You must also complete and submit Southend Borough Council's application form by their cut-off date – **15<sup>th</sup> January 2019.**

### RE Topic

#### Advent/Christmas Loving

**Early Years** – Birthday – Looking forward to Jesus' birthday

**Year 1** – Waiting – Advent; a time to look forward to Christmas

**Year 2** – Preparations – Advent: preparing to celebrate Christmas

**Year 3** - Visitors – Advent; waiting for the coming of Jesus

**Year 4** – Gift – God's gift of love & friendship in Jesus

**Year 5** – Hope – Advent; waiting in joyful hope for Jesus; the promised one

**Year 6** – Expectations – Jesus born to show God to the world

### Years R, 1 and 2

If your child has been asked to bring in an outfit for his/her Nativity performance, please send it to school as soon as possible.

Any problems/queries, please speak to the teacher concerned.

Thank you





**Stars  
of the  
Week**

Each week one child from each class will be chosen by the staff as the Star of the Week. Watch out for your child's name in the coming weeks

**R Hedgehogs**

**Ester Spaho**

**R Squirrels**

**Tomos Stephens**

**1 Jellyfish**

**Diya Suraj**

**1 Starfish**

**Jennifer Vavrekova-  
Sossou**

**2 Seahorses**

**Meeyah Turner &  
Oliver Gwalt**

**2 Oysters**

**Armaan Tai**

**3FC**

**Malikai Hylton**

**3G**

**Julianna Sumaray**

**4**

**Taona Chapfudzika**

**5**

**Logan Genovese**

**6**

**The Whole Class**

**Positive Play**

**Superstars**

Freddie Baker, John  
Helm, Darcy  
Walton, Scarlett  
Leone, Evie  
O'Reilly, Emma  
Brown and Julia Sala



**Southend Hospital**

Mrs English and Mrs  
Deadman are collecting  
items for our local hospital.

If you have any of the  
following which you would  
like to donate, please send  
them in to the school  
office:

- **Used books, DVD's  
or CD's**
- **Toiletries such as  
lip balm, soap,  
toothpaste, flannels**
- **Biscuits, soft sweets  
etc.**

Thank you

**Used Stamps**

Just a reminder – we  
always collect used postage  
stamps.

These will be shared  
between the RNIB (Royal  
National Institute for the  
Blind) and Guide Dogs for  
the Blind.

Thank you

**Writers of the Week** (This  
is for content rather than  
handwriting)

**The Whole of Year 5.**

**Juan Ferrer**

**Swetha Zachariah**

**Amal Biju**

**Chanelle Blini**

**Chester Tamondong**

**Hannah Shibin**

**John Bone**



**Palace Theatre Summer  
2019 Youth Project  
Auditions**

This year, young  
performers will be taking  
part in 'Bugsy Malone'.  
To be eligible to take part  
in this project you must be  
aged 9-19 on or before 28<sup>th</sup>

July 2019

Audition packs can be  
downloaded from the  
Palace Theatres website

[https://southendtheatres.org  
.uk/Online/SYP-auditions](https://southendtheatres.org.uk/Online/SYP-auditions)

The audition date is  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April,  
registration at 9am.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for all your support during this busy advent time - with helping with nativity costumes to supporting the new PTFA with the Christmas Fair.

Here's a verse from our Advent prayer to help you during this busy time:

Dear God,

Be the flame to warm my soul through the cold times,  
when I wait for Jesus to come near.

Amen

Wishing you a happy weekend,

Elizabeth Mouchel