

St Helen's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter

26th January 2018



Senior Leaders' Special Mentions

Hannah Tamondong for being kind and caring to others and always willing to help.

School Lunch Orders

If any of you are having difficulty placing your child's lunch orders we are offering help on a Thursday morning from 8.45 til 9.15am. Mrs Sears will be available in the computer suite to offer guidance. Please come along to the school office once you have dropped your child off if you would like to book your meals here or receive further information.



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



OUR WEB ADDRESS

www.st-helens.southend.sch.uk

Please see important information on the back page re our conversion to an Academy.

PARKING & DROPPING OFF CHILDREN

Please **DO NOT** stop on the crossing to drop off your child. One parent was witnessed to do this, not only letting the child out but getting out of the vehicle to remove bags etc. too.

THIS IS DANGEROUS TO OTHER VEHICLES AND PEDESTRIANS.

We already witnessed an accident recently where a parent pulled out of the Homebase car park straight into a car driving past.

PLEASE ACT RESPONSIBLY!!



Diary Dates

JAN

31st Class 4 trip to Colchester Castle

FEB

7th 9am Seahorses Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

POSTPONED

10am Year 5 trip to Southend Museum

8th Year 2 Enid Blyton Day

9am 2 Oysters to Library

10am 2 Seahorses to Library

12th – 16th Half term holiday

19th Back to school

MAR

1st World Book Day – share a story afternoon

7th 9am Year 2 Oysters Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

12.30-2.45pm KS1 Cross Country at Garon Park

21st 9.30am-3pm Yr 3 & 4 Tag Rugby at Southend RFC

22nd 1pm Infant Music Festival (Some of Year 2)

28th 2pm Year 3 & 4 Easter Performance

29th Last day of term

30th Mar – 13th Apr Easter holiday

APR

16th Non-pupil day

17th Back to school

24th 9am Yr 3 visit to Pizza Express

MAY

2nd 9am Year 5 Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

7th Bank holiday – no school

9th 9am Starfish Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

14th – 17th Year 6 SATS Week

16th 9am Jellyfish Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

17th 9am Year 3 trip to Round House

24th Class photographs

25th 2.30pm Share a story afternoon

28th May – 1st June Half term holiday

JUNE

4th Non-pupil day

5th Back to school

5th – 7th Year 6 Residential Trip

12th 10am Yr 5 trip to Southend Museum

13th 9.30am First Holy Communion Mass – Parents and Carers of Yr 3 (and older pupils who have taken their First Holy Communion this year) are invited to attend

18th 11am Year 6 Deanery Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

20th 9am Reception Year Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

27th Year 6 day at Walsingham House

Yr 3 trip to Belchamps

JULY

2nd Year 3 day at St Bernard's

10th Year 5 day at St Bernard's and St Thomas More

11th 2.30pm Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

12th – 13th Year 5 trip to Belchamps

20th Last day of term

Positive Play Superstars

Yasemine
Blahakova,
Pixie
Troszczyńska-
James, Logan
Edwards, Maja
Pulwin, Kaci Condron,
Indiana Cardew-Williams,
Savannah Shand, Robyn
Syrett, Angel Rubio and
Olivia Johns



Stars of the Week

Each week one child from each class will be chosen by the staff as the Star of the Week.

R Hedgehogs

Mollie Barnetson



R Squirrels

Ali Imran



1 Jellyfish

Emmanuel

Nyamayaro

1 Starfish

Aarian Sylvester



2 Seahorses

Godwin Shalvi



2 Oysters

Vanessa Nawrocka



3

Kelly Malikula



4

Amal Jimmy



5

Amal Biju



6

Lillie LLoyd



Summertime Events

For information on events being held at Summertime Children's Centre at Milton Hall Primary School see www.southend.gov.uk/chilicare or alternatively you can contact them on 01702 433599 or by email at summertime@miltonhall.southend.sch.uk

RE Topic

**The current topic is
Local Church
Community**

Early Years – Celebrating – People celebrate in Church
Year 1 – Special People – People in the Parish family
Year 2 – Books – The books used in Church
Year 3 – Journeys – Christian family's journey with Jesus
Year 4 – Community – Life in the local Christian community: ministries in the Parish
Year 5 – Mission – Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)
Year 6 – Sources – The Bible, the special book for the Church

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

Henry Jones

Salvatore Burzotta

Jack Clarke

Micaela Fallon

Szymon Mazur

Abigail Cauchi



Special Offer for Bear & Butterfly

**Sat 3 & Sun 4 Feb in the
Dixon Studio, Palace
Theatre**

Bear & Caterpillar are the best of friends, but one day Caterpillar stops munching and looks sick. As if by magic, Caterpillar grows and stretches and from the leaves emerges a beautiful Butterfly.

Can Bear come to terms with this new version of his friend who flies high above the trees and has stories of his own?

Puppetry, live music and beautiful storytelling combine in this charming tale about love, loss and friendship.

A charming tale of changing friendship for ages 4-7 and their families.

Diocesan News re Academy Status

In line with current Diocesan Policy, the Catholic schools in South East Essex have now sought approval from the Department for Education to form a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) based on the Deanery model approved by the Diocese of Brentwood. We are delighted to inform you that the Academy Order for the MAT has been issued and nine schools in the South East Essex Deanery will be joining together to form the **Assisi Catholic Trust** (after St. Francis of Assisi) over this academic year.

The aim of the Trust is to secure strong Catholic education for the benefit of children in South East Essex and we will continue to build upon our successful historical working partnerships in carrying out formal consultations with all key stakeholders within our Deanery as we move through the academy conversion process throughout the rest of this academic year.

The schools who have applied to join together as the Assisi Catholic Trust are:

Holy Family Catholic Primary School
Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Primary School
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School
St George's Catholic Primary School
St Helen's Catholic Primary School
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
St Teresa's Catholic Primary School
St Thomas More High School

Thank you to the Parents who came to read this week. Following a suggestion from one of these Parents you will now be able to take your child straight home after the sessions.

Have a peaceful weekend.

Mrs Faulkner