

# St Helen's Catholic Primary School



## Newsletter

15<sup>th</sup> December 2017



### Senior Leaders' Special Mentions

Year 1 for their magnificent performance of their Nativity on Wednesday.  
The Kitchen staff for the wonderful Christmas dinner they provided yesterday.  
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 for their moving Carol Concert in Church last night.

### Thank you!

A big thank you to all the PTA and staff (especially Mrs Conyard!) for all their hard work in making sure tonight's Christmas Fair is a success.  
And thank you to all of you who donated sweets, Christmas decorations, toys etc. Mrs Cardew-Williams is a wonder at sourcing donations from other businesses!  
We couldn't do all this without you all.

### Nativities

Don't forget year Year2 will be performing their Nativity on Monday and Year R on Tuesday, both at 2pm.



### 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



### Carol Concert

A lovely evening was had by all.  
Thank you to everyone who attended – you did us proud and it was a very moving service.



### OUR WEB ADDRESS

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

**WE STILL HAVE 5 DIGITAL/VIDEO IMAGES PERMISSION SLIPS OUTSTANDING. PLEASE ENSURE YOU RETURN THEM ON MONDAY. THANK YOU**

### Reminder

Next Wednesday (20<sup>th</sup>) is the last day in school!



# Diary Dates

## DEC

**15<sup>th</sup>** After school PTA Christmas Fayre and Santa visit **TODAY!!**

**18<sup>th</sup> 2pm** Year 2 Nativity

**19<sup>th</sup> 2pm** Year R Nativity

**21<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan** Christmas holiday

## JAN

**3<sup>rd</sup>** Non-pupil day

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

## FEB

**7<sup>th</sup> 9am** Seahorses Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

**12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>** Half term holiday

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

## MAR

**7<sup>th</sup> 9am** Oysters Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

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

**30<sup>th</sup> Mar – 13<sup>th</sup> Apr** Easter holiday

## APR

**16<sup>th</sup>** Non-pupil day

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

**24<sup>th</sup> 9am** Yr 3 visit to Pizza Express

## MAY

**2<sup>nd</sup> 9am** Year 5 Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

**7<sup>th</sup>** Bank holiday – no school

**9<sup>th</sup> 9am** Starfish Class Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

**14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>** Year 6 SATS Week

**16<sup>th</sup> 9am** Jellyfish Class

Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

**24<sup>th</sup>** Class photographs

**28<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June** Half term holiday

## JUNE

**4<sup>th</sup>** Non-pupil day

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

**5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>** Year 6 Residential Trip

**13<sup>th</sup> 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

**18<sup>th</sup> 11am** Year 6 Deanery Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

**20<sup>th</sup> 9am** Reception Year Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

**27<sup>th</sup>** Year 6 day at Walsingham House  
Yr 3 trip to Belchamps

## JULY

**2<sup>nd</sup>** Year 3 day at St Bernard's

**10<sup>th</sup>** Year 5 day at St Bernard's and St Thomas More

**11<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm** Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome

**12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>** Year 5 trip to Belchamps

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

## **Reminder**

Applications for **Reception class of September 2018** and supporting paperwork must be with us by

**January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018.**

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 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018.**

You must also complete and submit Southend Borough Council's application form by their cut-off date – **15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

## **Positive Play** **Superstars**

Julia Mirga,  
Honey-Rose  
Harman,  
Archie Green,  
Nicola Di  
Leone, Taylen  
Peart, Alphons Joy, Lukasz  
Mazurek and Damien  
Johnson-Adams.





**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**

**Donnie Murphy**



**R Squirrels**

**Tobie Makanjuola**



**1 Jellyfish**

**The whole class!**



**1 Starfish**

**Ethan Little**



**2 Seahorses**

**Amelia Dabrowska**



**2 Oysters**

**Beatriz Rogado  
Costa**



**3**

**Aadrian Damo**



**4**

**Micaela Fallon**



**5**

**Mia Steadman**



**6**

**Gabrielle Arce**



**Summertime Events**

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

**More Thank Yous!**

Thank you very much to the following, who all donated items for our Christmas Fair;

**Ruby & Willow**

**Cycle Southend**

**Serenity Spa**

**Mertens Meats**

**Tesco (Hamlet Ct Road)**

**Smiths**

**Homebase**

**Matt Barnetson**

**Cliffs Pavilion**

**Arty Farty Fan Art**

We are very grateful for all your donations.

**And Another!**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to today's collection for the Save the Children Fund. We will let you know the total raised next week.

What a lovely array of Christmas jumpers we have had!

**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

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

**Gracjana Szymanska**

**Angeline Pasion**

**Madelaine Edwards**



What a fantastic week!

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to making it a success.

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Faulkner