

# 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Senior Leaders' Special Mentions

Class 1 Starfish for their assembly about animals. Year 2 Music Festival Choir for performing so well at the Freight House. Jack Sheppard for helping Mrs Conyard with the Stations of the Cross. Rafael Garces for being very kind to a child who was upset.

Share a Story Event Just a reminder that next Friday (5th April) we are once again holding our 'Share a Story' event. You are invited to come and read with your children from 2.30-3pm (you may take the children home at 3pm). We are hoping that the weather will be good enough to hold the event on the field, so bring a blanket to sit on!



H <u>St Helen's Mission</u>

<u>Statement</u> 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 <u>www.st-</u> <u>helens.southend.sch.uk</u> SCHOOL GATEWAY (for payments, messages, dinner orders etc.) <u>www.schoolgateway.com</u> click above for links **Pre-loved Uniform Sale** The PTFA will be holding

a sale of previously used school uniform which you can purchase for a nominal sum. Please come along to see what is on offer. FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 3PM

**Retirement** Mrs Sowerbutts, our School Business Manager, will be retiring at the end of April after **27 years of service**! We will be holding a collection for her – if anyone would like to contribute please pass your donation to the school office. Thank you















## <u>APR</u>

 $2^{nd}$  Hot Cross Run at STM 3<sup>rd</sup> 2pm Year 3 & 4 Easter performance – Parents and Carers welcome 5<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Family Reading Event **3pm** PTFA Pre-loved uniform sale 8<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Easter Holidays 23<sup>rd</sup> Back to School 25<sup>th</sup> 3.45pm Skreens meeting for Yr 6 Parents & Carers **30<sup>th</sup>** Yr 1 trip to Hyde Hall MAY 6<sup>th</sup> May Day Bank Holiday (no school) 7<sup>th</sup> Back to school 8<sup>th</sup> 9am Class 1J assembly – Parents and Carers welcome 21<sup>st</sup> Year 3 trip to Hadleigh Roundhouse 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am Yr 5 assembly – Parents & Carers welcome **9am** KS1 Pentecost Dash at St Teresa's 2.30pm Meeting for year 5 Parents/Carers re applying for Secondary Schools 23<sup>rd</sup> Class Photos 24<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Family reading event  $27^{\text{th}} - 31^{\text{st}}$  Whitsun **Holiday** JUNE **3<sup>rd</sup> Inset day – no school** for pupils 4<sup>th</sup> Back to school

10<sup>th</sup> 6.30 start Junior Music Festival  $19^{th} - 21^{st}$  Year 6 residential trip to Skreens Park 26<sup>th</sup> 9am Class 3FC assembly 5.15pm Governor's Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> Year 5 overnight stay at Belchamps July  $1^{st}$  Year 3 day at St Bernard's 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 3 Fun Day at **Belfairs Park** 5<sup>th</sup> Transition Day 9<sup>th</sup> Year 5 taster day at St Bernard's and St Thomas More 10<sup>th</sup> 8.45am KS2 Catholic Sports at St Thomas More 5.15pm Governor's Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> 9am KS1 Catholic Sports at St Teresa's **19<sup>th</sup> 2pm** Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – Parents and Carers welcome 22<sup>nd</sup> a.m. KS2 Sports Day (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Followed by shared lunch for all p.m. KS1 Sports Day (Years 1 & 2) 23<sup>rd</sup> 2.30pm Family reading event 24<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

## After School Club

Don't forget our after school club is now up and running. It costs £8 per session, per pupil from 3.30pm-5.15pm. There are also sessions available from 3.30pm-4.15pm at a cost of £4 per session, per pupil. Places <u>MUST</u> be booked (online on the School Gateway).

### **Used Batteries**

The school are now recycling batteries as part of the Big Battery Hunt. Children have taken part in an assembly about this and understand the environmental damage that can be caused by batteries being disposed of inappropriately. Drop your old batteries into your child's class or the office so we can do our bit for the environment! Thank you

#### Positive Play Superstars

Betsy Wright, Aaron Jimmy, Ali Abbas Imran, Maria Emmanuel, Abigail Cauchi, Belladona Choat, Angeline Pasion, Vanessa Nawrocka, Vincent Remucha, Holly Cooke and Jered Samlero

**RE** Topic Lent/Easter Giving Early Years - Growing -Looking forward to Easter Year 1 – Change – Lent; a time for change Year 2 – Opportunities – Lent; an opportunity to start anew in order to celebrate Jesus' new life Year 3 – Giving All – Lent; a time to remember Jesus' total giving Year 4 – Self Discipline – Celebrating growth to new life **Year 5 – Sacrifice** – Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice already made by Jesus Year 6 – Death & New Life – Celebrating Jesus'

death & resurrection

### **Summercourt Events**

For information on events being held at Summercourt Children's Centre at Milton Hall Primary School see <u>www.southend.gov.uk/chil</u> <u>dcare</u> or alternatively you can contact them on 01702 433599 or by email at <u>summercourt@miltonhall.s</u> outhend.sch.uk 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 **Scarlett Buckingham R** Squirrels **Derick Reroma 1 Jellyfish Dominika Matthews 1** Starfish **Scarlett Leone 2** Seahorses **Gabriel Acupanda 2** Oysters **Bella Choat 3FC** Muhammed Bukhari **3G** Ayesha Naseer **Indiana Cardew-Williams Anna George** 6 Mia Steadman

## In Memory

St Helen's are taking part in the Ancre Somme Association's campaign to create Remembrance Gardens to commemorate all those who have lost their lives in wars and conflicts around the world. We have planted poppies in three memorial planters around our school – 1 is situated where the children enter school in the morning. The second one is outside the Year 3 classrooms and the final one is in the Rainbow Garden, to the left of the Year 2 classes. As these poppies grow, we hope you will point them out to your children and discuss with them what the Memory Planters signify.

Used Stamps The recipient for used stamps had now changed. The donations will now be sent to the Bone Cancer Research Trust (BCRT) Thank you



Thank you to Mrs Conyard, her staff team of helpers and Jack for creating our Stations of the Cross pathway – we hope you have had a chance to look – these were designed by our pupils.

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,

Elízabeth Mouchel