

ST. HELEN'S NEWS



15th September 2023 <https://www.facebook.com/sthelenswestcliff/>

Our 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



Senior Leaders Special Mentions

Ali Abbas Imran

Producing some excellent work this week.

Well done Ali Abbas!

Mrs Faulkner

Completing the Great North Run last weekend - a half marathon.

Well done for raising over £1000 for cancer research.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19th September—E Safety evening 6pm

(see details below)

22nd September - Year 4 Trip –Southend Pier

4th October— Training day— SCHOOL CLOSED

11th October - KS1 Reading mornings start

16th October –18th October Parent's consultations

18th October –Individual school photos

23-27th October -Half term

30th October -Inset day school closed

CLUBS

Sign up closes on Sunday. If you are not able to see the club on the Gateway, it means the club is full.

If you have paid **you are in the club** (confirmation will not be sent).

Dear Parents and Carers,

You are all invited to attend an Online Safety Information Evening to be held at school on Tuesday, 19th September at 6pm.

We have 2 specialists on E Safety coming into school to give you some really useful information about how you can help yourselves and your children stay safe online.

The talk will last about 90 minutes and we would like as many parents as possible to take up the opportunity to join us, we are sure you will find it very interesting and useful.

Best wishes,

St. Helen's Primary School

Here is the link to your TenTen Newsletter

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Apologise the months were wrong on the football clubs, below are the correct ones.

FOOTBALL CLUB	MONDAY	18 th Sept,
YEAR 1	PICK UP	25 th Sept,
YEAR 2	4.15	2 nd Oct,
	<u>40</u>	9 th Oct,
	PLACES	6 th Nov,
	8 sessions	13 th Nov,
	£8	20 th Nov,
	16 th Oct	27 th Nov
	no club	
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Year 3 had an enjoyable morning in the Nature area. They are studying Rocks and Soil as part of their Science topic so looked closely at soil and what makes it. Today, they made their own soil, also mud faces around the area and hid dinosaurs to recreate the life of an archaeologist. Year 3 enjoyed getting their hands dirty and were very creative with their mud faces/kittens/monsters. They also played eagle eye and found that the eagles were more successful than the mice.



1 Starfish have settled in nicely. They have been exploring their new classroom and enjoying provision.



In the first week of school, **2 Oysters** learnt about Stevie Wonder, who is our musician of the month. They also worked in groups to create their own music piece.

This week, **2 Oysters** have made great use out of the outside area. They worked together to create a marble run in provision.



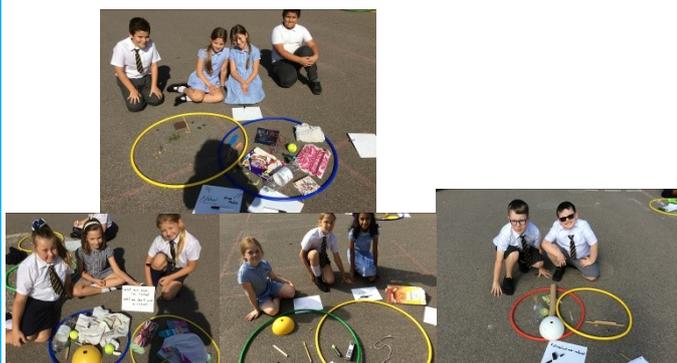
Year 2 seahorses investigated the three primary colours to see what would happen when they mixed them. The children were able to create and paint a rainbow using just the three main primary colours. The children had a lovely afternoon being artists and scientists!



2 Seahorses children were challenged to build or create a habitat for a chosen animal. The work was completed independently. The children were able to describe what habitat they had created and what the animal needed to be able to survive, as well as the food they ate.



Year 5 spent an enjoyable afternoon outside grouping and sorting materials. They sorted them into man-made/natural, hard/soft, flexible, unbreakable and numerous other categories.



Last week, **5WT** attempted to build 3D shapes - some more successfully than others! With the shape made, they identified the properties of the shape using the language: faces, vertices and edges.





WELCOME TO SOME OF OUR NEW RECEPTION CHILDREN



Essex Fire Museum Open Days
Sunday 24th September 2023
(10.30am to 4.00pm)



Visits must be pre-booked via:
museum@essex-fire.gov.uk

**Address: Essex Fire Museum, Grays Fire station,
 Hogg Lane, Grays, RM17 5QS**

Child and Family Counselling Services

Parents are now able to access direct support for their child by referring them into the safe hands of our Child and Family Counselling Services (CFCS). We have a team of highly experienced Counsellors, Specialist Child and Adolescent Counsellors and Play Therapists available within the counselling team who work in our specially adapted therapy rooms.



We offer support to children, young people and parents through talking, play and art therapy.

CFCS provides therapy to children, young people and families. We support many different issues such as:

- Self-harm
- Identity
- Anxiety
- Bullying
- Bereavement
- Parental separation and family issues or conflict

The pathway is overseen by our Head of Child and Family Counselling Services, who is supported by a team that are both passionate about and dedicated to the wellbeing of children and young people. The team has achieved very positive and reparative outcomes for children and families.

What can you expect?

After an initial contact, we will arrange an assessment to explore the issues your child may be experiencing and will then identify which model best supports the difficulty your child may be facing.

Who do you contact?

If you are worried about your child and would like to talk to us further, please either email Catherine cmunns@bccs.org.uk or call on 07792 732206 and we will be pleased to help.

Take a moment to read about the experience a parent shared with us:

I had contacted a number of professional services to assist me in helping my daughter. At the suggestion of my daughter's school a referral was made to BCCS and it was then that I met one of their counsellors. After months of unanswered questions and "hitting brick walls" I finally had answers, structure and a profound understanding of how a small little girl's mind works.

For me, there has been nothing so worrying as watching your child struggle and the BCCS counsellor's help has enabled me to help her for which I will be forever grateful.

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BCCS, 133 High Street, Billericay, Essex, CM12 9AB
 Brentwood Catholic Children's Society - Registered Charity Number: 1000661



St Helen's Feast Day celebrations



STARS OF THE WEEK

1 Jellyfish	Curtis Tudor Kathryn Bance
1 Starfish	Bella Mica
2 Oysters	Lorenzo Gouveia
2 Seahorses	Thea Hilsden Ethan Da Cruz
3 Robins	Kingsley Sibanda Daisy Llarza-Djatmika
3 Seagulls	Aysha Aslam
4 Fountains	Annabelle Cooper
4 Gideon	Remy Maskell Mina Annim
5 Rosa Parks	Joanna Adetunji
5 Walter Tull	Lisa Vorobeva
6 St. Anthony	Jennifer Vavrekova-Sossou Matteo Di Leone
6 St. Raphael	Evana Cijo

POSITIVE PLAY SUPERSTARS

Theodore Williams
Tessa Vineeth
Brody Vaughan
Cooper Anderson
Kekeli Glover
Chante Benneth
Tyatt Cole
Nathaniel Zima
Adediwura Oluwasola
Prince Duah
Mollie Barnetson
Lily Lewis

St. David 756
St. Patrick 518
St. Andrew 915
St. George 629

Following guidance from
Brentwood Diocese, our R.E
programme is changing.
We will be following-

Religious Education Directory

Which will encourage the children to know Jesus more clearly. Each half term the children will follow a programme of study called "A branch", completing 6 branches within the school year.

Branch 1-Creation and Covenant

This half term's question?

Year 1 - How did the world start?

Year 2 - What is a promise?

Year 3 - How are we made in the image of God?

Year 4 - How important is faith?

Year 5 - How do the 10 commandments affect our lives?

Year 6 - How different would the World be if Adam hadn't taken the apple?

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