

ST. HELEN'S NEWS

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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

Oysters

Excellent behaviour and enthusiasm on your trip to the library.

Emma Mica & Harper Carter-Green

For your impressive story
Well done!

Aaron Parirenyatwa

Impressive manners especially at lunchtime.
Well done!

Meeyah Turner

Impressive progress with your reading
Well done!

Olly Clarke & Armaan Tai

Excellent litter pickers.
Thank you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursdays– Morning reading sessions Years 1&2 08.30-09.00

Fridays-Stay & Play Reception classes 2.45

Monday 13th to Friday 17th February—Half term

Monday 20th February– Training day– No school

Volunteers required!

As a member of the 'Talking Heads' Steering Group, we are looking for volunteers to record "Chat as we grow tips" in the following languages: Urdu, Malayalam, Polish, Albanian, Russian, French, Bengali & Arabic, to help children become more confident communicators. Those happy to volunteer, please contact me via email: lderozario@st-helens.southend.sch.uk, listing your name, language and consent for me to pass on your details to the Talking Heads Project leads.

Thank you

Mrs De Rozario

Free book sites- to access stories in different languages

<https://www.uniteforliteracy.com>

<https://global-asp.github.io/storybooks-uk/how-to>

ASSEMBLIES–

Parents will be invited to class assemblies. They start at 9.00am

Thursday 9th February	2 Oysters
Thursday 9th March	5 Rosa Parks
Thursday 23rd March	1 Starfish
Thursday 30th March	1 Jellyfish
Thursday 27th April	3 Seagulls
Thursday 4th May	4 Fountains
Thursday 25th May	3 Robins
Thursday 8th Jun	2 Seahorses
Thursday 15th June	5 Walter Tull
Thursday 6th July	4 Gideon

Don't forget to get your tickets as bookings close today!

Bookings close on Wednesday
8th February!

ST HELEN'S PTFA

DISCO PARTY

FEATURING DJ MICKEY B

TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

3.30PM - 4.15PM - YRS 1&2
4.30PM - 5.30PM - YRS 3&4
5.45PM - 6.45PM - YRS 5&6

£3 PER PERSON
PAYABLE IN ADVANCE ON
SCHOOL GATEWAY BY FRIDAY
3RD FEBRUARY

JUICE AND A SNACK
WILL BE PROVIDED

St Helen's PTFA

Reception Class Children
**YOU ARE INVITED TO
THE TEDDY BEARS PICNIC**

on Thursday 23 February
3.15pm to 4.15pm
The School Hall

Refreshments and snacks will be provided. Please bring along your favourite teddy for a fun filled afternoon!

£2.50 per child.
Payable on school gateway by
Wednesday 8 February



A parent has commented on the way some people are parking around the school. Please ensure that you park in the designated car parks or in parking spaces on the road, not on white lines, double yellow lines or pavements.

We need to keep all the children safe!

1 Jellyfish have been learning about money and have been practising recognising the different coins. We set up a class toy shop and have been working hard to make the correct amount to buy our favourite toys!



Year 6 completed a day in the Nature Area. They undertook games involving predator and prey. They also made fat balls and cheerio necklaces to feed the variety of birds who visit our area.



2S-Dinosaur Feet!



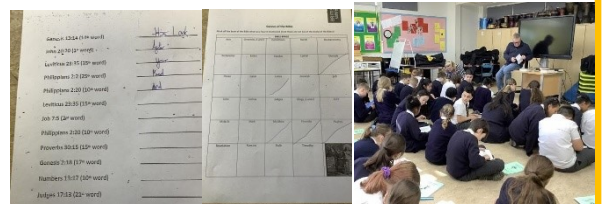
Both **Year 2** classes had a busy time in the Nature Area. They learnt new scientific vocabulary - predator, prey, carnivore, herbivore and omnivore. By playing many games they saw these words in action. They also thought about the wildlife living in the nature area so we fed the birds using cheerio necklaces and fat balls.



The last **Science Club** for 15 **Year 5/6** saw them experimenting using borax. The aim was to make a bouncy ball. There were various successes and many failures but most children managed in the end. Tweaking the ingredients helped, borax, warm water and glue were found to produce the best bouncy ball. Using cornflour made the mixture respond as slime so this ingredient was eradicated soon into the experiment!



Year 6 had the pleasure of Andrew's company today. He discussed using the bible as a source. They had to locate references to crack the code. The code was 'Look after your mind and your body and things will go well.' Year 6 really enjoyed the talk. Thank you. Later in the day, they compared the role and life of a Baptist minister to a Catholic priest.



Science continues to be strong in our school. Every class has moved onto a new topic and the displays show this. A wide variety of work and vocabulary is shown in each class to help children access and build their scientific learning. Hope you enjoy looking at the work!



STARS OF THE WEEK

R Hedgehogs	Evaan Deepak
	Daniele Osborn-Smith
R Squirrels	Tayo Fakua
1 Jellyfish	Jasmine Vasconcelos-Pinto
1 Starfish	Ava-Marie Mills
2 Oysters	George Cullen
2 Seahorses	Eli Paterson
	Sham Awadghanem
3 Robins	Denosh Dysis
	Benjamin Santos-Howell
3 Seagulls	Jenson Anderson
4 Fountains	Tinashe Mondwa
	Tyler Matibe
4 Gideon	Alicja Moszczynska
	Caleb Mncube
5 Rosa Parks	Chevelle Adjei
5 Walter Tull	Eirinn Osborn-Roberts
	Farhan Akter
6 St. Anthony	Emmanuel Nyamayaro
	Praila Boci
6 St. Raphael	Ruby Mncube

POSITIVE PLAY SUPERSTARS

Tyler Musindo
Jacob Rio Tinto
Jesse-James Parkin-Webber
Hugo Wiles
Daisy Garces
Vaiga Anoop
Malik Kamanzi
Abigail Cauchi
Verena Lawrence
Belladonna Choat

St. David 507
St. Patrick 589
St. Andrew 385
St. George 450

Benjamin Santo-Howell

Has featured in the Southend Echo, following his prize winning 'Herd in the City' design. He received an elephant for his efforts.
Well done Benjamin!

RE Topic-- 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

Essex Fire Museum Open Days
Tuesday 14th February 2023
Sunday 26th February 2023
(10.00am 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

Class	Name	Title	
Year 1S	Olivia Jack C	Mr Wolf Makes Pancakes- Jan Fearnley The Three Little Pigs	'All of the people come and smell the pancakes and they are very greedy! 'The wolf blows the houses down!'
Year 2O	Addie	The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me- Roald Dahl	'I like Roald Dahl books. The friends clean windows and the Pelly hold the Boy in his beak.'
Year 3S	Lordina Harper	Bella the Bunny Fairy (Rainbow Fairy Collection) George's Marvellous Medicine – Roald Dahl	'There is a fairy who helps people.' 'George creates a medicine to make his grandma grow!'
Year 4G	Anson Alicja	Tom Gates- Liz Pichon The Night of the Ticklers	'It is about a boy called Tom and his group of friends which I really like.' 'There is an alien invasion!'
Year 5WT	Kassie Erinn	Just So Stories- Rudyard Kipling Warrior Cats- Erin Hunter	'Just so stories are history and magical. It tells you how ever day items and animals were created.' 'I like the whole Warrior Cat series which is about cats that live in a forest and get up to adventures.'
Year 6R	Evie Ruby	The Boy at the Back of the Class- Onjali Q. Rauf Peter Pan	'There is an empty chair at the back of the class... until a new boy comes in and they are trying to be friends with him. It is a tale of friendship!' 'The book is adventurous. Peter Pan takes the Darling children on an adventure.'

THIS WEEK'S BOOK REVIEWS



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