

ST. HELEN'S NEWS

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26th January 2024 <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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tues 6th Feb Safer Internet Day
Thurs 8th Feb 3 Seagulls Assembly
Mon 12th Feb Chinese Dragon Dance
Workshop Yrs 1,2,3
World Day lunches 1
special lunch for Chinese New Year

Mon 12th Feb—Thurs 15th Feb

Learning Conferences—bookings open

Wed 14th Feb Ash Wednesday

Thurs 15th Feb Parents Online Safety
Session—more details will follow

5 Walter Tull to Library

Fri 16th Feb 5 Rosa Parks to Library

HALF TERM MON 19TH FEB—FRI 23RD FEB

NO SCHOOL MON 26TH FEB—STAFF TRAINING

DAY

BACK TO SCHOOL TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

Class Assembly Dates

All start at 9.00 am

3 Seagulls Thurs 8th Feb
2 Seahorses Thurs 21st Mar
1 Jellyfish Thurs 25th April
5 Rosa Parks Thurs 2nd May
3 Robins Thurs 9th May
4 Fountains Thurs 16th May
4 Gideon Thurs 23rd May
5 Walter Tull Thurs 20th June
1 Starfish Wed 26th June

6 St. Anthony & 6 St. Raphael
Leavers Assembly 2 pm
Friday 12th July

5WT

Your very impressive
fashion show.

Well done!

Benjamin Ojo

Doing a brilliant job with I.T for
the fashion show.

Thank you!

Years 3 and 4 football team

Wow! Your performance last
week in Southend's football
Tournament - you didn't lose
1 match -incredible!!

Very well done

Oyster class

Your amazing assembly -you
shared your learning confidently
and your singing was incredible.

Well done for an excellent

Assembly.

Mr Nimmo

Using your talents to build us a
sensory room. A great job and
thank you very much!

Let's wear our school uniform
with pride.

Please remember every day your child needs:-

• **A warm, waterproof coat**

• **Black school shoes with enclosed toes and heels—
no boots or high heels**

• **Hair should be of a natural colour**

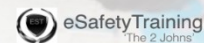
Year 5 entered a young writing crazy creatures'
competition before Christmas. All the children
have been selected to have their work
published into a book to show their work. This is
amazing! Well done Year 5, you worked really
hard! Year 5 parents have been sent an email to
give permission for publication.

Save
THE
Date

**Mobile Phone & Device Safety
with The 2 Johns**

From the comfort of your home

15th February 8pm



Free Football Trial.
Tuesday at 5pm till 6pm,
Girl's aged 8-11.
Boy's in year 6, at
Garons, Eastern Avenue,
SS2 4FA
Saturday at 10am till
11.30am at Southchurch
Park, Northumberland
Cres, SS1 2XB

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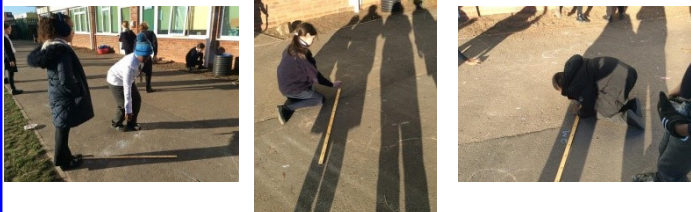
4F had a breezy afternoon in the Nature Area. They enjoyed smores around the fire and discussed what a fire needs to burn - heat, oxygen and fuel. They also discussed ways of keeping safe around the fire.

The children explored the nature area and noticed many changes since their last visit, they climbed trees, built dens and played games. Thinking about looking after our local environment, they undertook a litter pick to help the creatures that live there.



Year 5 have been observing their shadows. They couldn't believe how long they were at certain times of the day and discovered that the shadow became smaller as lunch-time approached. After lunch, the shadow became longer again. Year 5 concluded that this is due to the Earth orbiting the sun and where the sun appears in the sky.

This week, Year 5 have been studying the parable of The Good Samaritan. They learnt about the different people in the story, the people who helped the man and those that didn't. Year 5 drew their own interpretation of the parable after discussing Van Gogh's painting.



3 Robins and Seagulls had an enjoyable, although very wet, morning in the Nature Area. As they are learning about forces, they performed some practical experiments to test out their theories. They used catapults to fling various objects as high, low and far as they could. The next challenge was to make and use a pulley appropriately to lift heavy objects. Lastly, they tested their design skills by making a zip line for a small Lego figure. Great fun was had by all!! Thank you to the adults who were involved in this morning.



5WT The Good Samaritan



A fantastic day for the **year 4 boys** who took part in the emerging team tournament last Friday -we didn't lose a game! Won 11 and drew 1. We were invited to the next Tournament, which they will be attending today - fingers crossed.



4G Hockey lesson



A culmination of months of hard work allowed **5WT** to present their fashion show to parents. They evaluated their work with honesty, " At first, we couldn't work together but then we realised we had to."

5WT also showed adverts that they had made. We hope you all enjoyed it.



STARS OF THE WEEK

R Hedgehogs	Jewel Aseesh
R Squirrels	Adele Stean Naeto Okafor
1 Jellyfish	Thanika Puvanenthiran
1 Starfish	Krishna Concepcion
2 Seahorses	Laura Pradeesh Ben Hunter
2 Oysters	Whole class for their lovely assembly on Wednesday
3 Robins	Lily-Rose Nwokeji Jakub Gajdel
3 Seagulls	Leo Parthiepan Ethan Malikula
4 Fountains	Amayra Yumnaat Jack Clark
4 Gideon	Amelia Rizzo Alyssia Abdul
5 Rosa Parks	Erin Low
5 Walter Tull	Jessica Alipato-King
6 St. Anthony	Linnaea Cardew-Williams
6 St. Raphael	Louie Pradeesh



POSITIVE PLAY

SUPERSTARS

Kobee Lano

Kuba Galbally

Tharaga Karthikeshan

Elizabeth Riley-
Hawkins

Prince Duah

Maria Hyde

Joel Binu Joseph

St. David 680

St. Patrick 971

St. Andrew 753

St. George 757

Religious Education Directory

Our RE programme 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 3 - Galilee to Jerusalem

The Big Questions for this topic:

Hedgehogs & Squirrels—Why did God send Jesus?

Year 1 - If you met Jesus, how would you know it was him?

Year 2 - When should we say sorry?

Year 3 - What can we learn from the parables?

Year 4 - Who do you think Jesus is?

Year 5 - How can we follow the Beatitudes in our life?

Year 6 - What were the clues that Jesus was the Son of God?

VACANCY—TEACHING ASSISTANT TO COVER MATERNITY

(1 YEAR CONTRACT)

We are looking to appoint a Teaching Assistant, this will be a temporary 1 year contract to cover maternity. Please see the website for details or speak to Mrs Sears.

Science Competition

Get creative and enter the Assisi Catholic Trust Science poster competition. You can make a poster about anything involving 'Time'. We will enter the five best poster entries into a UK-wide competition, allowing you the chance to win an array of prizes. 'Time' as a theme offers a huge range of topics to delve into. Please email a picture of your poster along with your name, class, and school to sjjones@stthomasmore.southend.sch.uk by 1st March 2024. Those short listed will be contacted by March 8th Good luck!

Time is super important in science, tech, engineering, and maths! Evolution leads to plants and animals changing over time. Earth's movements give us seasons and time zones. When studying stars and planets, we measure distances in lightyears - that's how far light travels in a year!

Lifecycles are about how living things grow and eventually pass away. People usually live for about 73 years. You could explore how long other animals live and what they do.

Cool inventions like clocks help us keep track of time. In engineering, time is crucial for machines to work smoothly. Can you think of any machines that rely on precise timing?

Please have a look on your child's class page on our Website for lots more great photographs and curriculum/homework information!

Hedgehogs and Squirrels <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/welcome-our-new-children>

Year 1 <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/class-1>

Year 2 <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/welcome-class-2>

Year 3 <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/welcome-class-3>

Year 4 <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/welcome-class-4>

Year 5 <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/welcome-class-5>

Year 6 <https://st-helens.southend.sch.uk/Curriculum/classes/welcome-class-6>

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