

ST. HELEN'S NEWS



15th November 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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20th November – **Big Maths Demonstration** – open to all parents/Carers from Years 3-6 starting at 2.30pm

29th November – **Year 4** – St Andrew's Day Assembly 9am Parents/Carers welcome – Children to wear house colours – Themed lunch

2nd December – **Reception classes** Stay & Play for Parents/Carers – 2.30pm

4th December – **School Nurse drop in session** 2.30-3.30pm

6th December – **Christmas Fayre 3.30-5.30pm**

10th December – **Year 2** Christmas presentation – (10am & 5.30pm) Parents/Carers welcome

11th December – **Year 5 & 6** Carol Service at St. Helen's Church 6 pm Parent/Carers welcome

12th December – **Year 1** Christmas Presentation (10am & 5.30pm) Parents/Carers welcome

13th December – **Reception classes** Stay & Play for Parents/Carers – 2.30pm

16th December – **Years 3 & 4** – Carols outside 2.30pm Parents/Carers welcome

17th December – **EYFS (Reception classes)** Nativity 10am – Parents/Carers welcome

18th December – **Christmas dinner**

20th December – **Last day of school**

23rd December – 3rd January – **Christmas Holidays – No school**

6th January – Inset Day – **No school**

7th January – **Children return to school**

Class Assembly Dates

all start at

9.00 am

Parents/carers

welcome

See dates for diary for November Assemblies

4 Fountains

16th January

3 Robins

22nd January

5 Rosa Parks

30th January

4 Gideon

6th February

Year 3

28th February

St David's Day

2 Oysters

13th March

Year 6

17th March

St Patrick's Day

2 Seahorses

21st March

5 Walter Tull

8th May

1 Starfish

22nd May

1 Jellyfish

5th June

Year 6 Leavers mass

22nd July

Dates may be subject to change

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO LUNCHES ON

WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER

GREAT CHRISTMAS CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA

This is our special craft day, the children will be in their house groups making gifts to sell at 'Elfridges'.

We are going to change the lunch arrangements on this day.

There will be no hot dinners on this date, you will have a choice of home packed lunch or a school grab a bag.

ALL HOT DINNER CHOICES WILL BE REMOVED SO THAT YOU CAN RE-BOOK.

Please note the choices on the system cannot be changed – so please look at the choices below and choose.

RED BOOKING WILL BE TUNA SANDWICH

GREEN BOOKING WILL BE EGG SANDWICH

PINK BOOKING WILL BE HAM AS USUAL

ORANGE BOOKING WILL BE CHEESE AS USUAL

YELLOW BOOKING WILL BE HOME PACKED LUNCH

PLEASE DO NOT BOOK BLUE OR PURPLE – THERE WILL BE NO JACKET POTATOES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING

When emailing/messaging the office, please could you put your child's class as well as their name. Thank you.

Please make sure all children have a water bottle with them to use at school that has their name clearly marked on it.



Thank you



Here is the link to our Facebook page-

<https://fb.watch/vSRZfIBNDj/>

As part of 'Anti Bullying' week, **1 Jellyfish** wrote pledges on their 'Respect Pledge Cards' for how they would choose respect this week.



Year 5 have had a busy week this week. First, we shared the importance of Remembrance Day with the whole school and parents through an assembly where we talked about what happened, read some poems and sang a few songs. Next, we went down to the Cenotaph and looked at the plaques on the obelisk finding out how many men from Southend were honoured. Finally, we took a fantastic trip to Indirock where the children learnt how to keep themselves safe on the walls and of course had lots of time to climb too!



4 Gideon-Editing audio before recording a podcast



4 Fountains- Podcast



Values children



2 Oysters had an exceptionally busy and fruitful morning in the Nature Area. Their Science topic currently is Materials. They looked at various materials around the nature area, identifying resources that were flexible, rigid, bendy, soft, smooth and hard. Next, they looked at materials that would burn, they discussed fire safety and enjoyed Smores identifying how the material changed in its shape and size.

After reading Stick Man, the class found a variety of uses for sticks: saw, sword, bow and arrow, walking stick, drawing, making figures, shelters, lifting a weight and a see-saw. Oysters were a delight to have in the nature area. See you again soon!



4 Fountains playing games in maths to help their division



Year 5 Remembrance Day Assembly and Poppies



Year 6 Beach visit





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OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN IS FLOURISHING

Our Community Garden is a great place where people can enjoy growing vegetables, herbs, and flowers. It's a great place to meet neighbours and share ideas.

We've started a vegetable seed bank and have lots of seeds available for people to borrow. We also have a compost heap and a water butt.

Our community garden leader who started it in 2018 says it's a great place to meet neighbours and share ideas. She says it's a great place to meet neighbours and share ideas.

We're looking for gardeners to help us look after the garden. If you're interested, please get in touch via the following email: enquiries@garonpark.cic.com



NEW FLOODLIGHT 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL CENTRE NOW OPEN

We are really pleased with our new floodlight 5-a-side football centre. It's a great place to play football and meet neighbours.

It's an area that has been in use for some time but now it's a 5-a-side football centre. It's a great place to play football and meet neighbours.

Contact us on enquiries@garonpark.cic.com for more info.



ALL WEATHER PLAY AREA RESURFACED

Thanks to grants from the Velia Environmental Trust and the Sheeran Charities Trust we have been able to resurface our all-weather play area by the Theobald Cafe. It's a great place for children to play and it's now safer than ever.

The much requested inclusive wheelchair swing will also now be in place.

DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE A YOUTH CLUB?

Youth clubs are great places for young people to meet other people and develop new skills. We have a youth club that meets every week and has lots of activities. It's a great place for young people to meet other people and develop new skills.

FESTIVE FUN AS THE FAIRIES PLAN A RETURN FOR CHRISTMAS

A team of you will be the fairest of them all. Come to the Christmas party and see the fairest of them all. It's a great place to meet other people and develop new skills.

Our search this year has been to find the fairest of them all. It's a great place to meet other people and develop new skills.



CONTACT US

If you like sending you can read and would like to know more information please don't hesitate to contact us:

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The Boundary Lane
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Phone: 01702 770022

The Garon Park Shop
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Garon Park Youth
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What's been happening at St Vincent's Centre, Southend

Youth SVP Volunteers & High Sheriff 5th & 21st October 2024

We were delighted to host 200+ volunteers from SVP & High Sheriff at our Centre this month. Our volunteers were involved in a range of activities including fundraising, cleaning and general maintenance. It was a great day for everyone involved.

We are looking for more volunteers to help us with our work. If you're interested, please get in touch via the following email: enquiries@stvincents-southend.org.uk



Upcoming Events

We have a range of events planned for the coming months. These include fundraising events, social events and general maintenance. It's a great way to get involved and help us with our work.

October 2024
November 2024
December 2024
January 2025

World Mental Health & Homelessness Day

To mark World Mental Health Day and World Homelessness Day we have a range of events planned for the coming months. These include fundraising events, social events and general maintenance. It's a great way to get involved and help us with our work.

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CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL 2024
HELP US KEEP THE DOOR OF HOPE OPEN

THIS CHRISTMAS WE WILL BE SUPPORTING MANY FAMILIES WITH HAMPERS TO HELP THEM. THESE ARE THE ITEMS WE NEED TO CREATE A HAMPER FOR A FAMILY IN NEED.

- Pasta
- Chocolate spread or jar of jam
- Packet of cream crackers
- Packet of sweets/biscuits
- UHT milk
- Jar instant coffee
- Bottle of ketchup
- Cereal
- Mince pies
- Christmas crackers
- Tins of custard
- Jar/packet instant hot chocolate
- Jar Pasta sauce
- Gravy granules
- £10 voucher - Tesco, Sainsbury's or Lidl

LAST DONATIONS 19TH DECEMBER
UNIT 9 VICTORIA BUSINESS PARK, SOUTHELD SS2 5BY
CHARITY NO: 1053992
www.svp.org.uk/st-vincents-southend

October 2024
11 Victoria Business Park, South 21, SS2 5BY, 01702 842899
www.svp.org.uk/st-vincents-southend

GIVE IT A GO!

Girls of Southend! Come down for a fabulous cricket bonanza tailored just for girls. Great for newbies, these sessions will serve up a smashing dose of cricket fun in a lively setting. Best part? It's FREE!

MON 11/18/25 NOV & 2ND DEC 5:30PM TO 6:30PM

HAMSTEL JUNIOR SCHOOL, SS2 4PQ

To book contact: claire.hendry@essexcricket.org.uk



WOMEN'S CRICKET SESSIONS

MONDAYS 11, 18, 25 NOV & 2ND DEC 6:30PM - 7:30PM
Hamstel Junior School, SS2 4PQ

Join the whirlwind of Essex's fastest-growing sport for women! No prior experience or fancy gear required - just bring your enthusiasm! We play with soft balls, so no worries about getting knocked out! Grab a buddy and dive in - every fitness level is welcome!



Early Identification of SEND and the support available
An Event for ParentCarers

SSIF invite ParentCarers of children with SEND to our second Seminar this year. Early Identification of SEND and support available is the second in a series of valuable informative events for ParentCarers that will run throughout the year.

About the event

This seminar is aimed at ParentCarers who are at the start of the SEND journey with their children and young people and who are looking for answers and support.

- Who are the key people involved in early identification of SEND?
- What is a SEND?
- What is the best support? What is SEND Support?
- What should my child's class teacher be doing?
- What is the role of the GP, and do they need to be involved?

We have a panel of professionals from the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Team, Health and Education Services who will talk about SEND identification and support in schools, when an education health and care needs assessment (EHCA) is needed and how some common myths.

We are seeking ParentCarers to submit any questions they have for the panel by email, by Monday 29th November 2024, via email to: jody@southend SEND@parentcarers.org.uk

There will also be an opportunity for people to participate in a co-production session to develop a useful route map/flow chart of the Early Identification process.

Details
Date and time
Monday, 9th December 2024
9.15am to 12.15pm

Venue
Civic Centre
Commence Room 4 (2nd floor)
Victoria Avenue
Southend-on-Sea, SS2 5ER

Refreshments
Refreshments will be provided. Free coffee and biscuits

Click to book
on our DP link



<https://www.justgiving.com/page/stvincents-1730217847673>



FOSH PRESENTS
CHRISTMAS FAYRE

6TH DECEMBER 2024
WITH STALLS AND GAMES FROM 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

JOIN US FOR A JOLLY GOOD TIME!
Elfridges - crafts made with love
by pupils of St. Helen's
Face painting along with letters to Santa
Christmas Games and Raffles
Delicious refreshments!
HO-HO-HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



FOSH INVITE YOU TO



SANTA'S GROTTTO
AS A PART OF THE
CHRISTMAS CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA

Wednesday 4th December **£6**

SECURE YOUR NICE LIST STATUS!
COME VISIT SANTA IN HIS MAGICAL CHRISTMAS GROTTTO!
TICKET (£6) INCLUDES EXCLUSIVE MEETING WITH SANTA ON HIS SLEIGH AND A SPECIAL PRESENT SURPRISE



AVAILABLE TO BUY ON SCHOOL GETAWAY UNTIL 1ST DECEMBER

VISITS WILL TAKE PLACE DURING SCHOOL HOURS, AS A PART OF THE CHRISTMAS CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA. PLEASE NOTE THAT VISITS ARE OPEN TO ST. HELEN'S PUPILS ON ROLL ONLY.



WRAP & CHAT

Could you spare an hour of your time? We need help getting our hampers all wrapped up! Join one of our WRAP & CHAT sessions, where you can contribute to our Christmas Fayre preparations and enjoy some festive cheer with other parents. Refreshments provided

Thursday 28th November
3x sessions:
9-11am
2-3pm
5.30-7.30pm



Essex Fire Museum Christmas Open Day
(With our Santa's Grotto)

Free entry, but booking is essential as we are on an active fire station site.
Contact us to book: museum@essex-fire.gov.uk or 01376 576847.

10.30am to 4.00pm
(last entry: 2.30pm)



ESSEX FIRE MUSEUM

Date: 15th Of December



Essex Fire Museum November

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Open Day
10.30am to 4.00pm
(last entry: 2.30pm)



ESSEX FIRE MUSEUM

Date: 24th Of November

Values Children



R Hedgehogs Damali Harry-Empathy-for supporting her friends.

R Squirrels Elijah Solotan-Service-for helping serve his classmates during snack time.

1 Jellyfish Ayla Pintos Caetano-Enjoyment-for her service to her friends as she supports them with their learning.

1 Starfish Helen Rijo- Empathy- for looking after her classmates and helping them to settle into the classroom.

2 Seahorses Kathryn Bance-Service-for helping set the chairs up, being the Teachers assistant and whenever she is asked to do something, she does it with enthusiasm.

2 Oysters Glory Okechukwu-Enjoyment -for her enthusiasm in Science this week.

3 Robins Willow Pinnock- Resilience- for always coming in with a smile on her face and trying her hardest in everything she does.

3 Seagulls Enos Baker- Enjoyment- for being very enthusiastic in our class assembly and leading others.

4 Fountains Leeza Louis-Enjoyment-she shows great enthusiasm for learning and brightens the day with her cheerfulness.

4 Gideon Angel Calabazon-Service- for always using excellent manners and thinking of others before herself.

5 Rosa Parks Aakifa Miah-for resilience during our climbing session on Wednesday. She was amazing!

5 Walter Tull Anabelle Cooper-Service-for being extra helpful in class and opening doors for staff.

6 St. Anthony Teodora Dinculescu-Enjoyment-for participation and enjoyment in Maths investigations.

6 St. Raphael Viaga Anoop-Enjoyment- for her smiles and enthusiasm in all that she does.

SEN's award - Anele Kenoeng - Resilience - for trying hard and persevering with his number bonds this week.

MDA's award- Jack Cooper-Service-for always being willing to lend a helping hand in the playground.

MDA's award Anastasia Ivan-Courage-for trying different food.

SLT's award Amari Abdul-Courage-for attacking some tricky climbing walls

St. David 934
St. Patrick 1351
St. Andrew 1035
St. George 1200

If you would like to make a Donation to Children in need, here is the link-

[https://
app.parentpay.com/
ParentPayShop/Foc/
Default.aspx?
shopid=17032](https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=17032)



Following guidance from

Brentwood Diocese, in R.E

we will be following-

Religious

Education

Directory

The 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.

The Big Questions for this topic:

CREATION

Year 1 - How did our world begin?

Year 2 - What is a promise?

Year 3 - How are you like God?

Year 4 - Why is faith important?

Year 5 - How do the 10 Commandments affect everyday lives?

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

Please have a look on your child's class page on our Website

for lots more great photographs and curriculum/homework information!

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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