

ST. HELEN'S NEWS



20th December 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



Thank you so much for all your generous gifts, lovely cards and kind words, we really appreciate your generosity.

**LAST DAY TODAY
SCHOOL REOPENS
Tuesday 7th January**



Please make sure all your lunches are booked.
Thank you.

We wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas and we look forward to a healthy new year together.

With love and best wishes from Miss Keeble, Mrs Curtis, Mrs Faulkner and all the staff at St. Helen's 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

Values children



Our Travelling Cribs have been making overnight journeys during December visiting families within the school community. We have been sent some lovely photos from families sharing their crib experience. Merry Christmas Everyone.

Here is the link to our Facebook page-



<https://fb.watch/wB2-q71uXC/>

Reception class Nativity



Year 6 have designed cam toys this term. They have studied the mechanism, evaluated examples and designed their own toy to make. Today, was all about the making! Their cam toys were based on designs from our class reader - Beetle Boy. They had to adapt and change their design many times in order to get the mechanism fully operational. Working as a group, they communicated and changed designs/features well to produce these results.



1 Jellyfish class enjoyed making some Christmas wreaths to take home for the Christmas holidays. They used their cutting, colouring and sticking skills. Tinsel, bows, tissue paper and ribbon were all used creatively. Enjoy hanging them up for Christmas, Jellyfish!



Year 6 Assembly this morning



5WT spent a busy morning in the nature area before their Christmas dinner. They hulled out an orange - eating some and leaving other bits for the birds. The next stage was to fill the orange with chocolate cake mix, replacing the lid to make a tight container. Wrapping in foil and placing it in the fire before leaving them for 20 minutes, this produced sumptuous orange cake which half the class enjoyed! For the rest of the morning, 5WT were busy playing, climbing trees, building dens and making bird feeders. The morning finished with a few games of Eagle Eye.



4 Gideon-Making light up Christmas cards



Some of **2 Oysters** amazing Great Fire of London homework



2 Oysters were very lucky. This week, Santa Claus read us a Christmas story live from the North Pole.



A huge thank you to **Mrs Butcher** for a fabulous Christmas dinner!



Year 1 Nativity



Values Children

Resilience
Empathy
Service
Patience
Enjoyment
Courage
Trustworthiness

R Hedgehogs	Arthur Mukamolas-Resilience -for joining in the Nativity and playing his part beautifully.
R Squirrels	Adele Gomo-Patience -for sitting so nicely and taking part in the Nativity.
1 Jellyfish	Isaac Pereira Joy-Resilience -for improving his handwriting skills and always trying very hard.
1 Starfish	Ollie Heard-Enjoyment -for showing enjoyment throughout the whole of his first term in year 1. Enjoyment in learning, enjoyment with friends and enjoyment for school life. It has been lovely to watch him grow this term.
2 Seahorses	Jeffrey Asante-Resilience -for persevering to completing his work even when he had to miss part of his break time to finish it!
2 Oysters	Bella Mica-Patience -Bella is a fantastic role model in her class, she always waits sensibly on the carpet and helps her peers.
3 Robins	Jasmin Vasconcelos Pinto-Service - for always being willing to help and give time to others.
3 Seagulls	Maya Igho-Service -for always being one step ahead and using her initiative. She has been particularly helpful this week when there have been less adults in the class.
4 Fountains	Sham Awadghanem -Service -In our recent group work, Sham has consistently shown outstanding effort. She not only works hard but also understands the value of teamwork and is always ready to help her peers.
4 Gideon	Eli Paterson-Trustworthiness -for always making the right choices. He can be relied upon to get on with tasks having only being asked once. He always delivers work of a high standard - well done Eli!
5 Rosa Parks	Nina Annim-Service -for helping others- she volunteered to help year 4 with their Christmas card circuits and all the adults in year 4 were saying how wonderful and helpful she was with the children.
5 Walter Tull	Jaslin Sureskumar-Enjoyment -for showing a great attitude and enthusiasm in all that she does in class.
6 St. Anthony	John Helm-Resilience -for carefully taking his time to write an extended piece of writing using very neat and fully joined handwriting.
6 St.Raphael	Izabelle Fimin-Resilience -Izabelle is quietly resilient and has worked extremely hard to achieve her learning targets this term. So proud of her. Well done, Izabelle!
MDA's award	Kirstelle-Althea Martin-Patience -for waiting her turn.
MDA's award	Andrea Sunil-Service -for looking after younger pupils.

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: Branch 2

Prophecy and Promise

EYFS-Why do we celebrate Christmas?

Year 1 -How do we get ready for Christmas?

Year 2 -How can we share the light with others?

Year 3 - What do Catholics do at church on a Sunday?

Year 4 - What does the church teach us about preparation?

Year 5 - Do you have to be big to be strong?

Year 6 -What is the role of women in God's plan?

St. David 921
St. Patrick 1040
St. Andrew 1707
St. George 1027

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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