

ST. HELEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

See page 2 of this newsletter for key dates

23rd July-Last day of school 24th July-29th August Summer holidays 1st & 2nd September-Inset days Wednesday 3rd September-Children return to school CLASS ASSEMBLY

DATES

YEAR 6 Performance

Wednesday 16th July

Afternoon 2pm

& evening-children to return to school at 6pm for a 6.30 start

YEAR 6 Leavers Mass Tuesday 22nd July 6pm at St. Helen's Church

All parents/carers

Our Mission Statement

Respect yourself

Respect everyone in our school community Respect everyone in our global community But most of all Respect God our Father in Heaven



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St. Andrew 1356 St. Patrick 1719

St. David 1396

St. George 1734

REMINDER OF KEY DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM 2025

Dear Families,

With the end of term fast approaching, I thought it would be useful to remind you of some key dates that are coming up.

Wednesday 25 June 9am – Mass of Thanksgiving for all children who have made their First Holy Communion. Parents of First Holy Communicants are welcome.

Friday 27 June – KS2 (Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6)Sports Day (additional information to follow)

Friday 27 June – I will be sharing information with all families about class and staffing changes for next year. Transition for all classes will begin from Monday 30 June to minimise anxiety for the children when they change year groups.

Wednesday 2 July – KS1 (Yrs 1 & 2) Sports Day (additional information to follow) EYFS (Yr R) Sports Afternoon (details to follow)

Thursday 3 July – KS1 Catholic Sports (additional information for selected children to follow)

Friday 4 July – Year 6 Transition Day. This will also be an opportunity for all children to spend time with their new teachers in their new classrooms!

Monday 7 – Wednesday 9 July – Year 6 residential to Skreens Park

Thursday 10 July - Year 5 Open Evening at St Thomas More and St Bernards

Friday 11 July - FOSH Summer Fayre (additional information to follow)

Wednesday 16 July – afternoon and evening Year 6 Performance

Friday 18 July – Jubilee Family Pledge Day – this will be an all day event to which all families are welcome culminating in celebration of Mass at 2pm. Additional information to follow.

Tuesday 22 July 6pm at St Helen's Church – Year 6 Leavers' Mass – this is open to all families and anyone who has taught or known our Year 6s. Please spread the word that all are welcome!

Wednesday 23 July - BREAK UP FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

I have already circulated the INSET days for next year. In addition we will be having the following closures:

Wellbeing Days:

Friday 28 November 2025 – SCHOOL CLOSED Friday 26 June 2026 & Monday 29 June 2026 – SCHOOL CLOSED

Pupil Progress Conferences:

Early closure for learning & teaching staff to discuss pupil progress. Children should be collected at 1.15pm and there will be no after school provision.

Wednesday 22 October 2025 Wednesday 10 December 2025 Wednesday 11 February 2026 Wednesday 25 March 2026 Wednesday 20 May 2026 Wednesday 1 July 2026

These dates will also be included in the annual calendar that will be circulated at the end of this term. Please make a note in the meantime and begin to consider any additional arrangements that you may need to make.

Here's to a happy end of term !!



LIZ KEEBLE Head Teacher St. Heien's Catholic Primary School North Road Westcillf-on-Sea Esser S50 7AY

St Helens citizens of the year winners are: Laura Gajdel, Kuba Gajdel, Hazelina Machado

Laura has been an outstanding member and exemplary role model within the pupil liturgy team. She has consistently demonstrated leadership skills by taking initiative in various responsibilities, including, organizing and collecting donations for the can drive, leading the rosary with parents, and producing an Easter mystery video that was shared on the school's Facebook page. Laura has played a key role in collaborating with fellow liturgy leaders to compose prayers that align with and reflect our school values. She is a dependable and trustworthy individual who consistently embodies the values of St. Helen's in her daily actions and interactions.

Kuba exemplifies the core value of respect, which lies at the heart of our mission statement, and consistently upholds all of our school values. Whether offering a warm 'Good morning' with a smile, applying himself diligently in class, or being a supportive and loyal friend, Kuba can always be relied upon to make thoughtful and positive choices. In particular, his selfless and steadfast friendships stand out. Kuba's calm and reassuring presence provides his peers with a sense of security and belonging, creating an environment in which they feel supported and able to thrive.

Hazelina truly embodies what it means to be Citizen of the Year. She is a kind, compassionate, focused, and respectful member of her class, consistently serving as a role model to her peers and the wider school community. Hazelina approaches all aspects of her learning with dedication and enthusiasm, often going above and beyond by independently extending her knowledge outside of the classroom. She is always willing to support her classmates in their learning, offering help with patience and care. Her deep sense of compassion and unwavering commitment to living a Christ-centered life are evident in all she does. Hazelina strives to keep Christ at the heart of her actions, and she upholds all of our school values with integrity and grace.

Congratulations also to our runners up– Radmir, Jaslin, Starr-Sophia, Teodora and Diona who will all receive a Service badge.

	Values Children
	RESILIENCE
	EMPATHY
	SERVICE
	PATIENCE
	ENJOYMENT ENJOYMENT
	COURAGE
	TRUSTWORTHINESS
R Hedgehogs	Jiyan Vekariya-Enjoyment- for always smiling and being full of enthusiasm. Jiyan really enjoys being at school.
R Squirrels	Chidera Udem-Patience- for developing a real sense of patience when learning her phonics, despite being frustrated at times, she has persevered and is now showing a real confidence in
	reading and writing.
1 Jellyfish	Sebastian Palmer-Courage- for having the courage to try new things and to give his own ideas and make the right choices.
1 Starfish	Heaven Grant-Trustworthiness- for being a superstar all year. For always working hard and she can always be relied upon to do the right thing!
2 Seahorses	Amira Rajulawalla-Patience-she always listens and waits patiently to share her thoughts. She works hard and is a good role model to others in the class.
2 Oysters	Isabel Justin-Resilience - Isabel has settled into her new class well at St Helens. She has shown resilience by trying new things with a positive attitude and trying her best in new learning.
3 Robins	Hannah Cijo-Enjoyment-for her continuous positive attitude and enthusiasm which she approaches all aspects of school life with. She radiates this joy to everyone around her and is an inspiration to all members of the class.
3 Seagulls	Akbar Syed-Enjoyment -he has been trying really hard to improve his handwriting and he always puts lots of effort into drawings that accompany his class work. He has a real talent.
4 Fountains	Chante Benneth-Patience -Chante brings a calm and caring presence to our class. She makes the right choices and shows great patience by waiting quietly when expected. Chante also demonstrates patience during Breakfast Club, where she thoughtfully looks after others.
4 Gideon	Lily-Rose Nwokeji-Resilience -she has moved up a reading band this week and has taken part in the Borough Sports and Catholic Sports recently, showing fantastic sportsmanship with her team mates.
5 Rosa Parks	Chloe Groshiti-Enjoyment— for showing enjoyment in her learning, especially in RE.
5 Walter Tull	Lordina Owasu-Patience -Lordina has shown herself to be a pupil of great patience in our class, she is polite and caring, showing fairness with others, reacting appropriately, staying calm in all situations. She helps others and is able to reflect and help children around our school. Well done Lordina.
6 St. Anthony	Anna Michaelson-Service- as a reading ambassador, Anna has promoted reading in our class. During the year she has helped organise the library and various other resources. Her love of reading is evident and she has shared this with others.
6 St. Raphael	Mikhael Arce-Trustworthiness- throughout the year, Mikhael has always been able to be trusted to do the right thing and make the right choices-from reading silently to completing his work to the highest standard. Keep it up in year 7, Mikhael!
Inclusion	Liz Brotherton-Murphy-2O-Resilience- for getting her phonics box every morning and taking it to her teacher for phonics.
MDA award	Arthur Mukamolas-Enjoyment-RH-for always being happy and smiley during lunchtimes.
MDA award	Sharon-Rose Nyamayaro-Service-6R-for caring for younger children.