

St. Helena's Weekly Newsletter



A message from our Director of Diocesan Education, Paul Thomson, to all Church Schools' families and staff

In this national period of mourning, I expect we will all feel a range of deep emotions. Of course, we feel great sadness and loss. Her Majesty the Queen has been the nation's constant for 70 years and has provided great comfort and reassurance to us in very turbulent times. We will also feel immense gratitude for the Queen's loyal service and duty to our country and the Commonwealth. We will also feel a sense of hope for the future as her eldest son, His Majesty the King Charles III promised to build upon the legacy of our late Queen Elizabeth. In His Majesty's first address to the nation, he said,

Queen Elizabeth's was a life well lived; a promise with destiny kept, and she is mourned most deeply in her passing. That promise of lifelong service I renew to you all today.

Our children have considered the Queen's legacy and values in our Collective Worship and have decided the lessons they will remember are:

- Stay true to your faith whatever it is
- Smile through your difficulties
- Be compassionate
- Be tolerant
- Don't give up on the things and people you love

Wise words from such young people - we can learn so much by listening to them!

School will be closed on
Bank Holiday Monday
(19th September, 2022)
for the Queen's funeral.

**Please note the school office will be closed from 3pm
on Thursday 22nd September.**

It will also be closed from 1:45pm on Friday 23rd September.

Thank you

Reminders for parents old and new!

PARKING

Parking has been an issue for a long time, but we do ask that you do not park in the staff car park or use it for a turnaround. In the past we have had very near accidents with children.

We also ask that when parking you consider the residents of the village and also the law (no parking on pavements!). A local resident has already contacted school to say he has reported parents parking on the pavement to police and they will be monitoring the area. Anyone can report a person to the police for parking on pavements and can give the offending number plate identity!

Please help us to keep your children safe!

Thank you.

Breakfast Club - £2.00 per child

All children using Breakfast Club enter via the gate at the side of the school office.

Bookings for Breakfast Club are not necessary, however we do ask for parents to hand their child over to the adult (not just let them run in on their own) Payment is either on the day or in advance.

We cannot offer credit!

Reception and Little Explorers

When waiting to come into school in the morning and collecting at the end of the school day, please can you ensure you stand to the side of the pavement and do not block the way for other parents, children and residents.

Thank you.

School Day.

The school day starts at 8:50 am and finishes at 3:25pm.

Little Explorers starts at 9am and finishes at 3pm. However, children may stay until 3:30pm at a charge £2.50.

Home Learning Hub - £4 per child.

Please make bookings for Home Learning Hub at the school office **by 3pm** (not with your child's teacher or via Seasaw).

Home Learning Hub collection point is via the gate at the side of the school office. Late collections will result in a £5 per 15 minute fine (time as per our clocks!!).

Payment can be made on the day or in advance but **we cannot offer credit.**

Thank you.

Reception children visit Tattershall Farm Park

As part of their studies on owls, the reception children will be visiting Tattershall Farm Park on Thursday 29th September, 2022 . This visit will take place during normal schools hours so will not affect the end of day.

Children will need to wear their school uniform, sensible shoes and have a showerproof coat. They will also need a packed lunch.

We kindly, ask for a contribution of £15.50 towards the cost of this visit, payment can be made via Parentmail or at the school office. Unfortunately, if we do not receive sufficient contributions for this visit it may not be able to go ahead.

Reception children visit Tattershall Farm Park

I/We consent to visiting Tattershall Farm Park on Thursday 29th September and enclose a contribution of £15.50 .

Signed

Date

Years 3 and 4 visit Wild Woodcraft

As part of their history studies on Stone Age, Year 3 and 4 children will be visiting Wild Woodcraft on Thursday 13th October, 2022 . This visit will take place during normal schools hours so will not affect the end of day.

Children will need to wear their school top, old trousers/leggings, trainers and have a showerproof coat. They will also need a packed lunch and plenty to drink.

We kindly, ask for a contribution of £16.00 towards the cost of this visit, payment can be made via Parentmail or at the school office. Unfortunately, if we do not receive sufficient contributions for this visit it may not be able to go ahead.

Year 3 and 4 visit Wild Woodcraft

I/We consent to visiting Wild Woodcraft on Thursday 13th October, 2022 and enclose a contribution of £16.00 .

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After School Clubs

Spaces are still available at the following clubs:

Monday Multi-sports Club for Year 1, 2 and 3, Thursday Page Turners for Year 6 and Friday Drama Club for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

If your child would like to attend either club please complete the consent form below and return to the school office.

I/We consent to joining the following after school club:

- Multi-sports
- Drama
- Page Turners

Signed

Date

School Accelerated Reader Portal

Here is the link for our school accelerated reader portal:

[Welcome to Renaissance Place \(renlearn.co.uk\)](http://renlearn.co.uk)

School Uniform

New School Uniform is available from Nationwide Uniform at Spilsby and pre-loved uniform is available from Alford Hub, which is opposite the butchers in Alford.

Alford Hub are always grateful for any good pre-loved uniform your children may have outgrown.



Diary Dates 2022/2023

SEPTEMBER

18th Forest Church
21st School Association AGM
23rd Y6 11+ Non Verbal
29th Reception children visit Tattershall Farm Park

OCTOBER

7th 2:15pm Harvest Festival at St Helena's Church
13th Y3 and Y4 visit Wild Woodcraft
17-19th Caythorpe Residential
21st End of Term 1
31st School Open—Term 2

NOVEMBER

3rd Open Day at St Helena's
16th YR to Y6 Flu Nasal Spray
20th Forest Church

DECEMBER

8th 9:30am KS1 Christmas Performance Rehearsal
5pm KS1 Christmas Performance
16th End of Term 2

JANUARY 2023

3rd Staff Training Day
4th School Open—Term 3

FEBRUARY

10th End of Term 3
20th School Open—Term 4

MARCH

31st End of Term 4

APRIL

17th Staff Training Day
18th School Open—Term 5

MAY

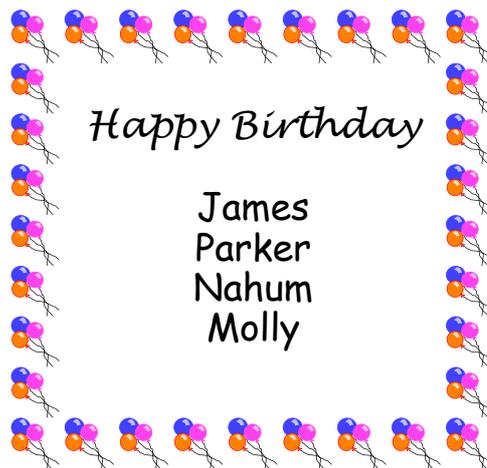
26th End of Term 5

JUNE

5th School Open—Term 6

JULY

21st End of Term 6



FREE smart wristbands for people living with dementia...



Hundreds of people living with dementia in Lincolnshire will be given **NFC Dementia Safeguarding Bands** containing details of their next of kin, which can be read by a smart phone. A pilot project will see the 'smart wristbands' being distributed across **East Lindsey** and they could be rolled out across the county if successful.

If you live in the East Lindsey district how do you order a wristband?

Those who are a carer or relative of someone living with dementia who is mobile within the community can email: dementiasafeguarding@lincs.police.uk to request a wristband. The name of the person, their date of birth and home address and contact number for the requester should be included.

"It is crucial that people living with dementia can get to a place of safety and security, with friends or family, as quickly as possible."



ALFORD GYMNASTICS CLASSES

GYMNASTICS CLASSES in ALFORD

It is held at Alford Sports Hall on Saturday mornings

Under 8's 9:30-10:30 Over 8's 10:30-11:30

Please call to reserve a place. Places are limited.

The first 2 sessions in September will be a trial to see if the child wants to continue at a cost of £10.

The cost will be £19 per month, if they continue. The fees will be charged on the first session of each month.

Enrolment will be £15 per year payable in November (includes a T-Shirt)

Everyone Welcome from school age upwards!

(OPEN TO GIRLS AND BOYS ALL ABILITIES)



To book a place please call Gareth (Head Coach, Qualified, DBS checked, first aid and welfare trained) on Please text me on:
07861424541