

St. Helena's Weekly Newsletter

Dear Children,

I had a great conversation with Herbie this week - he went fishing with his Dad last weekend and despite using a "rubbish rod", he caught his biggest fish yet, an eight pounder. I listened to Herbie and realised you must never blame your tools or equipment because look what he achieved with a substandard fishing rod!

He also told me that achievement and success in fishing comes with patience and hard work. You are right Herbie but that is true for everything - practice makes perfect! So, children, get practising your reading, writing and numbers at home when you can - maybe you get up early like Eliza in YR and practise your phonics, draw Stone Age pictures like Ethan, write novels like Bella May or read your book every spare moment you have like Iris!

Thank you to all the families who visited our Art Exhibition this morning; it was lovely to welcome so many of you into school. We are looking forward to seeing you at our annual Harvest Festival next Friday at 2:15pm at St Helena's Church - Herbie, don't bring your freshly caught fish, the Food Bank will only take tins and packets of food!

Have a lovely weekend - Year 3 and 4 you might like to take your families to the quarry and continue fossil hunting. Don't forget to show them the sedimentary rockface and where you played woolly mammoth hunting!

Send me photographs of your learning at home on sue.belton@st-helenascofe.lincs.sch.uk



Message from the Chair of Governors

The process for appointing our new headteacher will continue into the Spring term, so Mrs Belton has kindly agreed to stay in post until Easter.



Harvest Festival

Please come and join us on
Friday 7th October at 2:15pm
at St Helena's Church,
Willoughby



Donations of tins or packaged food for the food bank will be gratefully received. Please can the children bring this into school in the morning, they will be carrying it to Church themselves, so please not too heavy!

Thank you.

Reception Parents' Meetings

Reception Parents' Meetings will be held on Thursday 6th October, 8:30am-4:30pm. Slots are available to book on Parentmail. If you have any difficulty booking, please telephone the school office.

Thank you

Piano Lessons

Please remind the children who are learning piano to bring their books on lesson days.

Thank you.

Head Lice

Everyone has settled into school but unfortunately, there are a few extra bodies!

Please can you all check your children's hair for head lice. When they wash their hair, try using a nit comb whilst the conditioner is still on. Head Lice like all kinds of hair - thick or fine and the cleaner the better!

Thank you

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 .

Signed

Date

Years 1 and 2 swimming

Every Friday, as part of their curriculum, Years 1 and 2 will be swimming at Southview, Skegness starting on Friday 11th November. This will be until the Easter Holidays (End of Term 4).

If Year 1 can please come to school with their swimming costumes/trunks underneath their uniform it will help!

We kindly, ask for a contribution of £55.50 towards the cost of Term 2's swimming. Payments can be made via Parentmail or at the school office.

Years 1 and 2 swimming—Term 2

I/We enclose a contribution of £55.50 towards the cost of swimming for Term 2.

Child's name

Signed

Date

Diary Dates 2022/2023

OCTOBER

6th Reception Parents' Meetings
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

2nd 7:30pm School Association Meeting
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
15th Christmas Dinner for whole school
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

After School Clubs

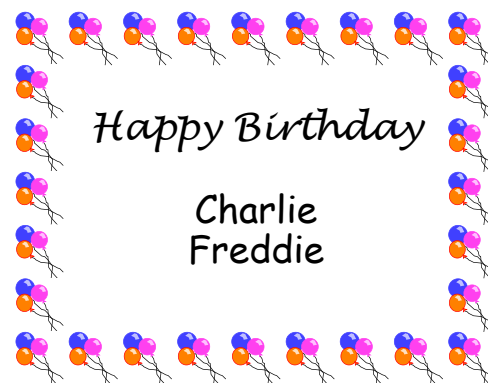
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| Monday | Multi Skills Y1, Y2, and Y3 Choir |
| Thursday | NO Page Turners Y6 due to Film Night |
| Friday | Drama Club Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 |

All clubs finish at 4:30pm

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.



School Association Film Night – Lightyear



Thursday, 6th October - 3.30pm-5pm

Popcorn and sweets provided

We hope to see the children there!

School Association Film Night - Lightyear

I/we consent to(child's name) in Year attending the School Association Film Night on Thursday, 6th October.

I/we have enclosed £3 with this permission slip.

Please return this slip together with the correct change to the school office by Monday, 3rd October.

Signed.....
Parent/Guardian

Dated.....2022