



St. Helena's Weekly Newsletter

It is our responsibility to learn and achieve our dreams as a family.

Opening minds, widening horizons and developing a better world.

Valuing Community, Compassion, Endurance, Friendship, Hope, Respect, Thankfulness, Wisdom

Dear Families,

I cannot let the Grimsby Town giant-killing performance go by without some celebration; it was truly amazing but nearly impossible to watch! It was a bit like some of the YR dance moves in competition with the Y6s at last Thursday's disco - gosh, they are a wonderfully confident group of little people!

Confidence is what we would wish for all our children, in the classroom, on the playground, in new situations and with sudden changes. How can we nurture this in school and at home?

I like this simple tip from psychologist Nick Wignall: stop trying to build self-confidence and start focusing on self-efficacy—in other words, your child's sense of pride in what they can accomplish.

We need to focus on the children's achievements and success in the subjects and build on this position of strength. Achievement grows from small steps of success, and we need to celebrate the children doing this and use it to challenge them a little further - we call it learning in the "struggle zone"; a more productive place to operate rather than the "comfort or panic zones"!

Our YR children have this self-confidence in abundance; let's hope we can help them keep these feelings for as long as possible before they inevitably become more aware of how much there is to learn!

Warmest wishes

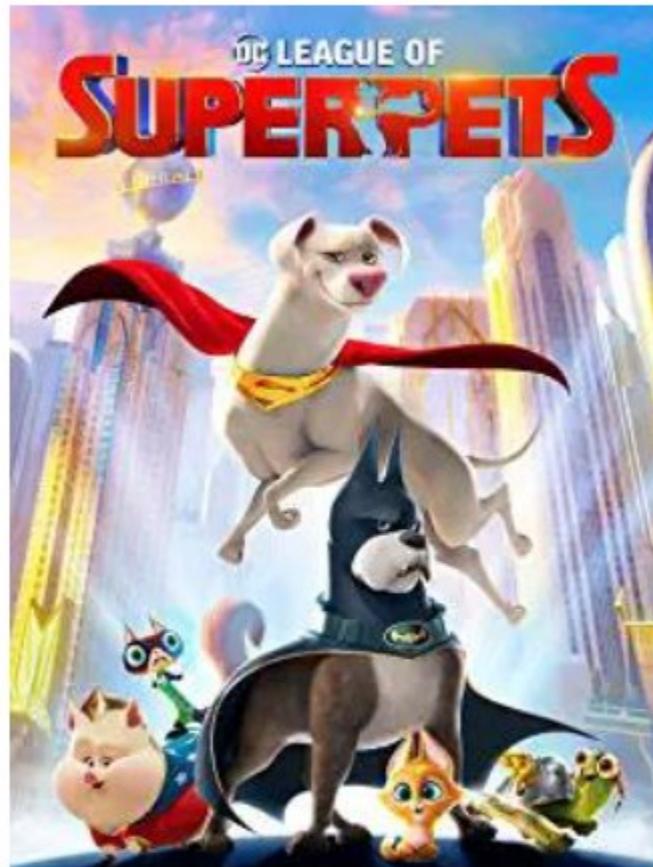
Mrs B x

P.S. What about Liverpool too?

**The "PROUD" song which was performed at
Young Voices with Heather Small is now
available on Amazon for 99p.**

**All proceeds will go to the Children's Mental
Health Charity Place2B.**

School Association Film Night – DC League of
Super Pets



Thursday, 16th March - 3.30pm-5pm

Popcorn and sweets provided!

Permission Slips coming home with children
today! We hope to see the children there!

"Power of Parenting" - POP Café

With Mrs Lomas

Every Friday in the school hall

2:15pm until the end of the school day

Come along and share stories, worries, ideas and strategies on being the best parent you possibly can be for your children, whilst enjoying a cuppa and a biscuit together.

No judgement!

Please can you all check your children's hair
as we do appear to have a few guests in school
at the moment.

**School Association Easter Fair
Friday 24th March
3:30pm**

Please come and join us for some Easter Fun! It's Mrs Belton's last Easter Egg Drop so you must all have a go!

Donations of raffle prizes will gratefully be received. Please bring to the school office—Thank you.

RED NOSE DAY

Friday 17th March 2023

Children can come to school dressed back to front or
upside down!

A donation of £1 will be gratefully received.



Attendance between 20.02.23 and 24.02.23

St Helena's attendance for the whole school is 92.87% (Ofsted's expectation is above 94%)

9 late arrivals have been recorded this week and due to this 3 hours and 12 minutes learning time has been lost

1 child left school early this week and due to this 2 hours and 35 minutes learning time has been lost

Total learning time lost by late arrivals and early leavers = 5 hours and 47 minutes.

After School Clubs

The following after school clubs will be running next week

Monday	Basketball for Years 3/4/5 & 6 with JB Sports. Netball for Year 4, 5 and 6 with Mrs Storr.
Tuesday	Choir for Y3/4/5 & 6 with Miss Wickland. SATs club with Mrs Roberts.
Wednesday	No SATs club.
Thursday	No Girls Football due to School Association Film Night.

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.



Parking

Reminder, please park with consideration to the village residents.

Please do not block cars or driveways. Please do not park on both sides of the roads or on pavements.

Thank you.

Diary Dates 2023

MARCH

- 14th YR to Y6 visit Mars at The Embassy Theatre, Skegness
- 16th Y5 Soil Testing at Ulceby.
3:15pm SA Film Night
- 17th Red Nose Day
2:15pm POP Café
- 21st Spilsby Music Festival Rehearsal
- 22nd Spilsby Music Festival
- 23rd Spilsby Music Festival
- 24th SA Easter Fair
- 29th Reading Café
7pm SA Meeting
- 31st Easter Service
End of Term 4

APRIL

- 17th Staff Training Day
- 18th School Open—Term 5
- 26th Reading Café
- 27th SA Film Night

MAY

- 3rd Class Photographs
- 8th BANK HOLIDAY-School Closed
- 9th-12th Year 6 SATS
- 13th 9am-11am SA Breakfast with Football
- 26th End of Term 5

Throughout the month of May Y2 assessments will be taking place.

JUNE

- 5th School Open—Term 6
- 16th SA Pamper Night & Fashion Show

Throughout the month of June Y1 Phonics assessments will be taking place.

JULY

- 21st End of Term 6

SEPT

- 6th School Opens-Term 1

Message from the Lincolnshire Police Prevent Team

It can be hard to know what to do if you're worried someone close is expressing extreme views or hatred, which could lead to them harming themselves or others. Working with other organisations, the police protect vulnerable people from being exploited by extremists through a Home Office programme called Prevent.

Young people can be at a greater risk of being targeted by extremists and the internet has made it much easier for radicalisers to find and identify people who might be easily influenced.

In Lincolnshire, last year most of the cases referred to Prevent related to young people and one of the biggest concerns was online activity including the sharing of extremist information. Friends and family are often the first to spot worrying changes taking place. These can be big or small changes that take place very quickly or over a longer period. Trust your instincts and if you're concerned seek advice.

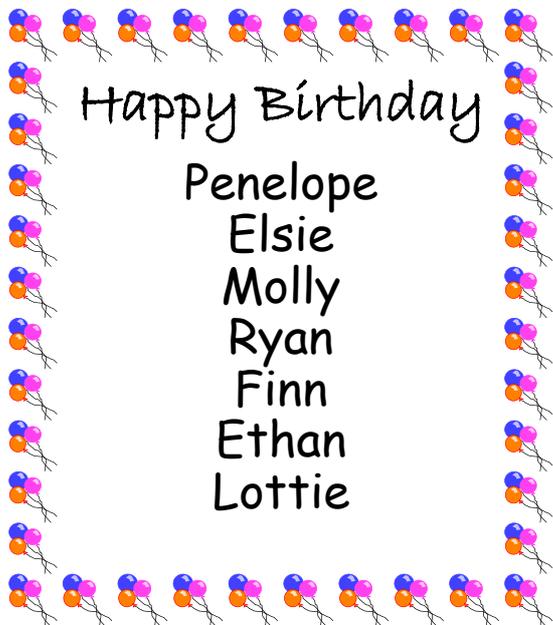
ACT Early provides advice on the risks of radicalisation, spotting the signs and what to do if concerned.

[ACT Early | Prevent radicalisation](https://actearly.uk)

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**Little Explorers and Reception Parents.
When collecting/dropping off please can
you stand to the side so that others can
walk on the pavement.**

Thank you



**School Association
Dates for the Diary**

- Friday 24th March 3:30pm Easter Fair**
- Saturday 13th May 9am-11am Breakfast with a footballer**
- Thursday 27th April 3:15-5pm Film Night**
- Friday 16th June 7pm Pamper Night and Fashion Show**

The whole school visit Mars!

You may have seen that an exhibition of Mars is coming to The Embassy Theatre at Skegness. The whole school will be going to see this in the morning on Tuesday 14th March 2023.

This visit will take part during school hours and the children will be back in time for lunchtime.

We kindly ask for a contribution of £3.00 towards the cost of transport for this visit. Payment can be made via Parentmail or at the school office.

The Whole School visit Mars!

I/we consent to visiting The Embassy Theatre, Skegness to see Mars and enclose a contribution of £3.00 towards the cost of this visit.

Signed

Date



Starting this Easter we will be offering spaces for the HAF Programme right on your doorstep we will have a whole host of activities from sports to cooking classes, nature walks, yoga and so much more.

keep an eye out for when booking goes live
Or contact Tammie: 07557809464





PRESENTS

EASTER IN ALFORD



FRIDAY 7TH APRIL - 10AM TIL 1PM
EASTER BUNNY HUNT

register online at **EVENTBRITE** - easter in alford - easter bunny hunt
& bring your completed hunt to the event to claim your prize

MORE INFO: WWW.ALFORD.INFO



Ticket link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/easter-in-alford-easter-bunny-hunt-tickets-545308802307>

How would you like to win some cool Lincolnshire Police goodies and a visit from the Neighbourhood Team to your school?

We are looking for pupils in years 4 & 5 to take part in our
Summertime Policing poster competition to tell us,

How will Police keep you safe over the Summer..?

The entries will be used to decorate the conference rooms at
Skegness Police Station and may even get used to create a digital
slide for our mobile screen.

There will be goody bags for 5 lucky runners up, the overall winner
will receive a special winners bag along with a visit from the
Neighbourhood Team to your school.

Entries will be collected from school on Friday the 28th of April,
Lucky winners announced by the 26th of May.

