



# 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

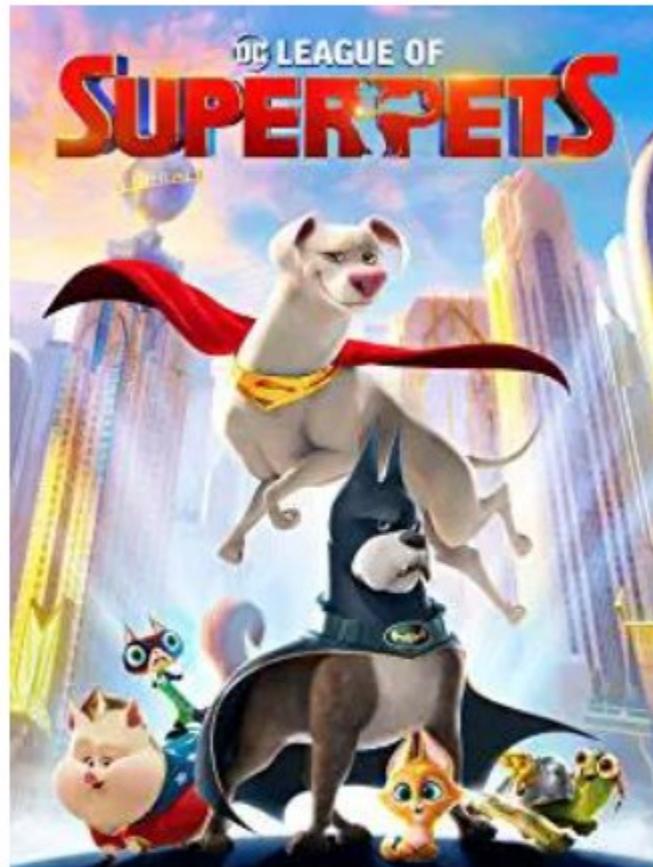
Mrs B x

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, 16<sup>th</sup> 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
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### SEPT

6th	School Opens-Term 1
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## 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.

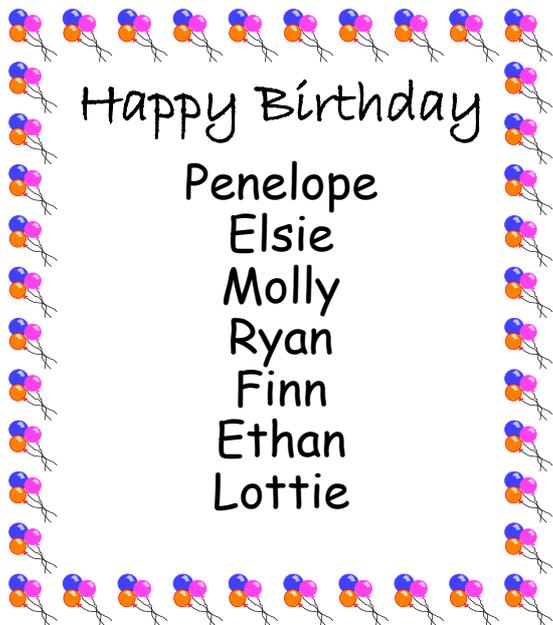
ACT Early provides advice on the risks of radicalisation, spotting the signs and what to do if concerned.

[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](http://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 28<sup>th</sup> of April,  
Lucky winners announced by the 26<sup>th</sup> of May.

