



# 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,

It was lovely to welcome Mr Anderson to our Governors' meeting on Monday so he can begin to get a picture of what our school is all about. We took him through this financial year's budget, school's development plans and our progress towards Ofsted's priorities.

It is useful to be able to work alongside him as we begin the transition for September. He will be in school every Friday after half term for us to be able to share policies, procedures, and practices. He will also be a guest at the POP Café one Friday and we will keep you posted as to when that is. It would be lovely for you to meet him over a cup of tea and hear what plans he has for the children.

The Governors and Mr Anderson would also like to invite you to an informal meeting on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 5:30pm when you will have the opportunity to share your hopes and dreams for the school going forward. Refreshments will be available and I will be running a creche, should you need it.

There are several other new dates in the diary, especially if you have children in Year 6, so check those out.

It seems to have been a long week with five working days so enjoy the weekend; the children are ready for it!

Much love

Mrs B x

**If you have any sticlebricks that your children no longer use, Little Explorers would be very grateful for them.**

**Thank you**

## Diary Dates 2023

### MAY

- 23rd Mr Felton visiting Y6 transitioning to QEGS  
24th Reading Café in the school hall  
Year 6 Church Schools' Festival  
26th End of Term 5

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

### JUNE

- 5th School Open—Term 6  
Y6 Magistrates Court Workshop  
13th Climate Change Theatre  
14th Sports Afternoon  
16th SA Pamper Night  
21st Ms Miller visiting Y6 transitioning to JSTC  
26th Y5 Curriculum Day at JSTC  
29th Whole School Arts Day

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

### JULY

- 1st Arts Festival in Alford  
4th KEVI Spilsby Y6 Transition Day  
5th KEVI Spilsby Y6 Transition Day  
Louth Academy Y6 Transition Day  
5-6pm September Reception Parents' Meeting  
6th JSTC Y6 Transition Day  
Louth Academy Y6 Transition Day  
QEGS, Alford Y6 Transition Day  
Skegness Academy Y6 Transition Day  
7th JSTC Y6 Transition Day  
Louth Academy Y6 Transition Day  
10th Banovallum, Horncastle Y6 Transition Day  
13th 6pm Y6 Celebration Awards etc  
18th Y6 End of year production  
19th Open Evening for parents to collect their child's report  
21st 2pm Leavers' Assembly  
End of Term 6

### SEPTEMBER

- 4th Staff Training Day  
5th Staff Training Day  
6th School Open-Term 1  
11th Individual Photographs  
15th Y6 11+ Verbal  
22nd Y6 11+ Non Verbal

### OCTOBER

- 20th End of Term 1  
30th Staff Training Day  
31st School Open—Term 2

### DECEMBER

- 20th End of Term 2

### JANUARY 2024

- 2nd Staff Training Day  
3rd School Open - Term 3

### FEBRUARY

- 9th End of Term 3  
19th School Open - Term 4

### MARCH

- 28th End of Term 4

### APRIL

- 15th Staff Training Day  
16th School Open—Term 5

### MAY

- 6th School Closed - Bank Holiday  
24th End of Term 5

### JUNE

- 3rd School Open—Term 6

### JULY

- 19th End of Term 6

**Several children are bringing mobile phones into school.  
Please only allow your child to bring a phone in, if really necessary.  
All phones are to be brought to the office.  
Thank you**



"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.

Friday 26th May : Topic: Things to do in the holidays.



**School Association**

**Pamper Night**

**Friday 16th June 7pm-9pm**

**Tickets available at the school office**

**£5 each**



## After School Clubs

Monday	Rounders with JB Sports
Tuesday	Forest Club. STEM Club.
Wednesday	Portrait Club.
Thursday	Football has now finished.

All clubs finish at 4:30pm.

**Reading Cafe**  
**Wednesday 24th May**  
**Please come and join us!**

## Attendance between 08.05.23 and 12.05.23

St Helena's attendance for the whole school is 95.95% (Ofsted's expectation is above 94%)

7 late arrivals have been recorded this week and due to this 3 hours and 58 minutes learning time has been lost

4 children left school early this week and due to this 7 hours and 40 minutes learning time has been lost

Total learning time lost by late arrivals and early leavers = 11 hours and 38 minutes.

## Year 6 Important Dates

Tuesday 23rd May	Mr Felton visiting children transitioning to QEGS, Alford in September.
Wednesday 24th May	Church School's festival.
Monday 5th June	Magistrates Court Workshop.
Wednesday 14th June	4:15pm-5:30pm QEGS Masterclass
Wednesday 21st June	Ms Miller visiting children transitioning to JSTC in September.
Wednesday 21st June	4:15pm-5:30pm QEGS Masterclass.
Wednesday 28th June	4:15-5:30pm QEGS Masterclass.
Tuesday 4th July	KEVI Spilsby Transition Day.
Wednesday 5th July	Louth Academy Transition Day.
Wednesday 5th July	KEVI Spilsby Transition Day.
Thursday 6th July	JSTC Transition Day.
Thursday 6th July	QEGS, Alford Transition Day
Thursday 6th July	Skegness Academy Transition Day.
Thursday 6th July	Louth Academy Transition Day.
Friday 7th July	JSTC Transition Day.
Friday 7th July	Louth Academy Transition Day.
Monday 10th July	Banovallum, Horncastle Transition Day.
Thursday 13th July	6pm Celebration Awards/Water Fight/Pizza and Sleepover.
Tuesday 18th July	6pm End of Year Production
Wednesday 19th July	Open Evening for parents to collect their child's school report.
Friday 21st July	2pm Leavers' Assembly.

## 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 Library in Alford.

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



St Helena's Church of England Primary School, Willoughby

# Pamper Evening

Friday 16th June 2023

7pm - 9pm



Please join us for an evening of fun and therapy  
Catch up with your friends over a glass of bubbles,  
give yourself a bit of retail therapy and book yourself  
in for a treatment to pamper yourself from head to  
toe, leaving you feeling revived and radiant!



Nibbles



Complimentary glass  
of Prosecco or  
Buck's Fizz



Gift bag

Head, body and hand massages, skincare,  
cocktail candy floss.. and more!

**BUY  
NOW**

**Tickets £5 per person**  
All money raised for School Association

Everyone is welcome  
Buy your tickets in school  
or contact Hayley on 07909791924

St Helena's C of E Primary School, Main Road, Willoughby, Alford LN13 9NH

## School Association need your help!

We are looking for raffle prizes for our Pamper Evening and would be very grateful if you could contribute in any way.

We would especially like:

- Bottles of wine (alcoholic or alcohol free!)
- Chocolates
- Bath Bombs
- Bubble bath/shower gel
- Anything that has a 'self care' feel to it

Please take any donations into the office.

If you have a business, or are in a position to donate, any help would be appreciated purchasing items for our 'goodie bags' that will be given to everyone who comes as part of their ticket price. Please call/message Hayley on 07909791924 if you would like to help with this.

Don't worry if you are unable to do any of the above. We will be happy just to see you on the night and give you an evening of fun and pampering so don't forget to buy your ticket from the school office as soon as possible - this will help us have an idea of numbers to cater for. Please also share details and invite your friends and family. Posters are available in the office if you have somewhere to display one.

Thank you again for your support. Looking forward to a fantastic evening!





# Parents' Group

We are holding a Parents' Group for anyone who has children with additional needs. It is supportive, non-judgemental group and a chance to talk and share experiences.

Join us for a coffee and chat on:  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 9:30am – 11:30am

To be held at the Skegness Junior Academy, Pelham Road,  
Skegness, Lincs, PE25 2QX

The group is run by Mandy Sylvester, Portage Worker  
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