

# St. Helena's Church of England Primary School

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

# **Upcoming dates**

#### **Monday 6th November**

3:30-5:30pm

Y1-Y6 Parents' Meetings

#### **Monday 13th November**

3:30-5:30pm

Y1-Y6 Parents' Meetings

#### **Tuesday 14th November**

Y5/6 visit Yorkshire Wildlife Park

#### Wednesday 15th November

Application process for September Reception children now open

#### **Thursday 16th November**

Y1-Y6 Flu immunisation

#### Friday 17th November

Children in Need day.

#### **Tuesday 28th November**

Reading Café in the Hall

#### **Monday 11th December**

2pm-2:45pm Reception Nativity Rehearsal

#### **Tuesday 12th December**

Y3, 4, 5 & 6 take part in a Carol Service at Lincoln Cathedral.

#### **Tuesday 12th December**

2pm-3pm Reception Nativity Performance to Parents

#### Monday 18th December

9:30am-11:30am Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance

2pm-3:15pm Y1 & Y2 Christmas Performance to Parents

#### **Tuesday 19th December**

Christmas Dinner for the whole school.

#### Wednesday 20th December

2:30pm Christmas Service at Church

**END OF TERM** 

### Headteacher's message

The speed at which October has passed by can generally be attributed to the phrase 'time flies when you're having fun.' There have been so many wonderful activities taking place. I would like to say how impressed I have been with the day-to-day learning; I can see that the children have a real hunger for learning and are making the most out of their primary school journey. This is a big credit to our parents, for instilling the correct attitudes into their children and making them school ready, every day of the week. As staff, we are looking forward to sharing the wonderful progress, along with some areas for further development at your child's Parents' Evening.

PGL was a huge success for all the children who went, and it has given staff a fantastic few days to get to know the children outside of the classroom. I truly believe that our school is built on strong Christian values, which shine through in everything we do. This was also apparent in the Harvest thanksgiving service, where I was energised to see so many parents— so I thank you for that. If you could not make the harvest service, do not worry, we will be having a Christmas Service.

As the Open Day/Evening is in full swing, can I please ask you all, if you do know of any families looking for a school place for next September, we would be delighted to show them around our wonderful school.



Ed Anderson Headteacher



#### Shoebox Appeal

Telephone: 01507 462367

All the children should have come home with a leaflet about the Shoebox Appeal. If you have not received one please contact the school office.

All items need to be brought into school by Friday 17th November, 2023



# Children starting school in September 2024

If your child was born between 1st September, 2019 and 31st August, 2020 you can apply for a school place from November 2023 until January 2024.

To apply for a school place either go online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions or telephone 01522 782030.



# After School Clubs (3:30-4:30pm)

Monday Multi-skills with JB Sport for Y1 and Y2
Tuesday Dance with Lisa Jay Stage Institute for

Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4

Tuesday If Pages Could Talk with Mrs Roberts for

Y5 and Y6

Wednesday Tennis with Charlotte for Y3 and Y4

Friday Football with JB Sport for Y5 and Y6



# Children in Need - Friday 17th November 2023

This year we are asking the children to come to school dressed in spotty non uniform. However, the children will be going on a ramble, so please make sure they are dressed suitably for this. They will need to bring wellingtons for walking in and a warm waterproof coat.

A donation of £2 would be gratefully received for Children in Need.



#### **Head Lice**

Please check your child's hair on a regular basis as we do have a few extra bodies in school!



# **Remembrance Day**

Poppies will now be on sale in the playground at morning break.

# Yorkshire Wildlife Park

## **Year 5 and Year 6 visit Yorkshire Wildlife Park**

As part of their studies Y5 & Y6 will visit Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Tuesday 14th November, 2023.

The children will need to wear their school uniform, sensible shoes and a waterproof coat. They will also need a packed lunch and plenty to drink.

The children must be in school at 7:35am and should be back at 4:30pm.

We, kindly, ask for a contribution of £28.50 towards the cost of this visit. Payments can be made via Parentmail or at the school office.



# **Celebration Assembly**

From Friday 3rd November KS1 Celebration Assembly will be in the morning starting at 9am and KS2 Celebration Assembly will be in the afternoon starting at 3:05pm.

Please come and join us!

Messages will still be sent out to parents to let them know if their child is receiving a merit.



# Parents' meetings

# Have you got your appointment?

Year 1 to Year 6 Parents' meetings will be held on Monday 6th November and Monday 13th November, 3:30-5:30pm.

If you have had a Learning Plan Meeting, you will not need a Parents' meeting as well.



# **School Association Diary Dates**

Meeting - 7pm in school (New members welcome)
Film Night (Polar Express) Thursday 23rd November
Breakfast with Santa Date To Be Confirmed
Film Night (Matilda the Musical) Thursday 25th

Dickie Bow & Diamonds Disco Thursday 8th February Summer Fayre Saturday 29th June



# 2023 Church Schools' Carol Service at Lincoln Cathedral.

The Y3, 4, 5 & 6 will be joining in with the Carol Service at Lincoln Cathedral on Tuesday 12th December.

More details will follow.

January

# Blackfrians, Theatre, aston

# Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 After School Drama Club

An opportunity has arisen for the children to join other schools and be part of a production at the Blackfriars Theatre in Boston. Amanda Rivers, who has worked with the school before, is offering this amazing after school club at St Helena's and then holding the production at Blackfriars. Unfortunately, there is a cost to this but it has been heavily subsidised so, the cost is now £35. This includes 6 x 1½ hours after school clubs, a T-shirt and transport to Boston for the full day of rehearsal. The performance will be held on Friday 23rd February and tickets will be on sale at £5 per person. YOU must be able to collect your child from Boston after the performance.

The after school clubs start on Thursday 11th January 2024.

If your child would like to take part in the above production please complete the consent slip below and make the payment of £35 via Parentmail or at the school office. There are only 30 places available so this is on a first come first served basis and all slips must be handed into the office by Friday 1st December.

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# Year 3,4,5 & 6 After School Drama Club

I/We consent to ...... taking part in the above production at Blackfriars and have made the payment of £35.

Made via Parentmail
Enclosed the payment

(Please delete as appropriate)

Signed ...... Date ......