



St. Helena's Church of England Primary School

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

Upcoming dates

Tuesday 6th February, 1:30pm

Skegness Grammar School
presentation to Y5 and parents re
11+

Thursday 8th February, 3:30pm

School Association Dickie Bows &
Diamonds Disco

Friday 15th March 2024

All children from Reception to Year 6
will be taking part in tree planting at
Ulceby - further details will be in the
newsletter nearer the time.

Term 3

Wednesday 3rd January 2024

To

Friday 9th February 2024

Term 4

Monday 19th February 2024

To

Thursday 28th March 2024

Term 5

Tuesday 16th April 2024

To

Friday 24th May 2024

Term 6

Monday 3rd June 2024

To

Friday 19th July 2024

**The next newsletter will be out on
Friday 26th January 2024.**

Our School Vision

Opening minds, widening horizons, developing a better world.

We seek to reveal and develop the talents of everyone, so that we may flourish and become the valued and valuable person God intended us to be. We work towards every member of our school community being happy, confident, committed learners, reaching their full academic potential. We strive to open minds, widen horizons and develop a better world. We do this by providing a foundation of strong moral and social values, ensuring all can play an active, responsible role within the community.

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

John 10:10

Headteacher's message

As a school our attendance is sitting at 95%, which is a credit to your hard work and the value you all have in education, so I thank you for that. It is really important that we continue to work together to do all we can to prioritise the children's attendance at school so that they can enjoy their learning and socialising with their peers. The governors and I have attendance as a key priority for the school and starting after Easter, we will be implementing stricter measures for unauthorised absences. Statistics show that pupils with good attendance have higher attainment in school and studies show that children with attendance above 96% make better progress socially and academically. With the focus and development on the curriculum that has taken place at school then children who are absent will find gaps in their sequential knowledge.

Finally, from me, could I please remind all parents and carers that if you drive to school, please park well away from the school - the school car park is not to be used, nor should any vehicle be stopping on the zigzag lines. There have been repeated requests for this and this potentially dangerous behaviour is continuing. For the safety of all of our children I politely request that this guidance is adhered to. Thank you in advance.

Have a nice weekend.



Ed Anderson

Headteacher

**Important,
please read.**

Fixed Penalty Notice

Following a governors' meeting on Monday night and advice from the Local Authority, St Helena's will start to issue Fixed Penalty Notices with regard to non-school attendance from Tuesday 16th April, 2024.

Non-school attendance includes any day when a child should be in attendance at school and they are absent without the authorisation of the school and it includes unauthorised holidays during term time, persistent absence and persistent late arrival at school beyond the registration period. School starts at 8:50am and registration closes at 9am. Lates will be recorded after this time.

If you wish to seek approval for any request of absence for your child from school, then you must apply in writing to the Headteacher at least 4 weeks in advance of the dates of absence. You should only then remove your child if the absence has been authorised, and notified to you in writing by the school. Any exceptional circumstances must be clearly set out in the written request to the Headteacher who will consider each case upon its merits.

Failure to pay the Fixed Penalty may result in further legal action being taken against you.



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

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| Monday | Gymnastics with JB Sports for Y1 & Y2 |
| Tuesday | SATs (invitation only) with Mrs Roberts |
| Wednesday | Dodgeball with Charlotte for Y3 and Y4 SATs (invitation only) with Mrs Roberts |
| Thursday | Choir with Miss Wickland for Y3, 4, 5 & 6, there will be a Performance at Spilsby Music Festival. |
| Friday | Handball with JB Sport for Y5 and Y6 |



Easy Fundraising

St Helena's Church of England Primary School are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them—at no extra cost to yourself! We would really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. It will also help you, as this money will be used towards the cost of transport on visits and sporting events.

Please use the following link: <http://efraising.org/euuQq9ZPvD>

School Association

School Association Diary Dates

Thursday 8th February - Dickie Bow & Diamonds Disco

Saturday 29th June - Summer Fayre



Congratulations Bella

Congratulations to Bella who not only had 14" of her hair cut off and donated 12" to the Little Princess Trust but also raised £600 for the charity too. Her original target was £300, this is absolutely amazing Bella - well done!



School Uniform.

New School Uniform is available from Nationwide Uniform at Spilsby and pre-loved uniform is available from Alford Hub.

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



Parentmail APP

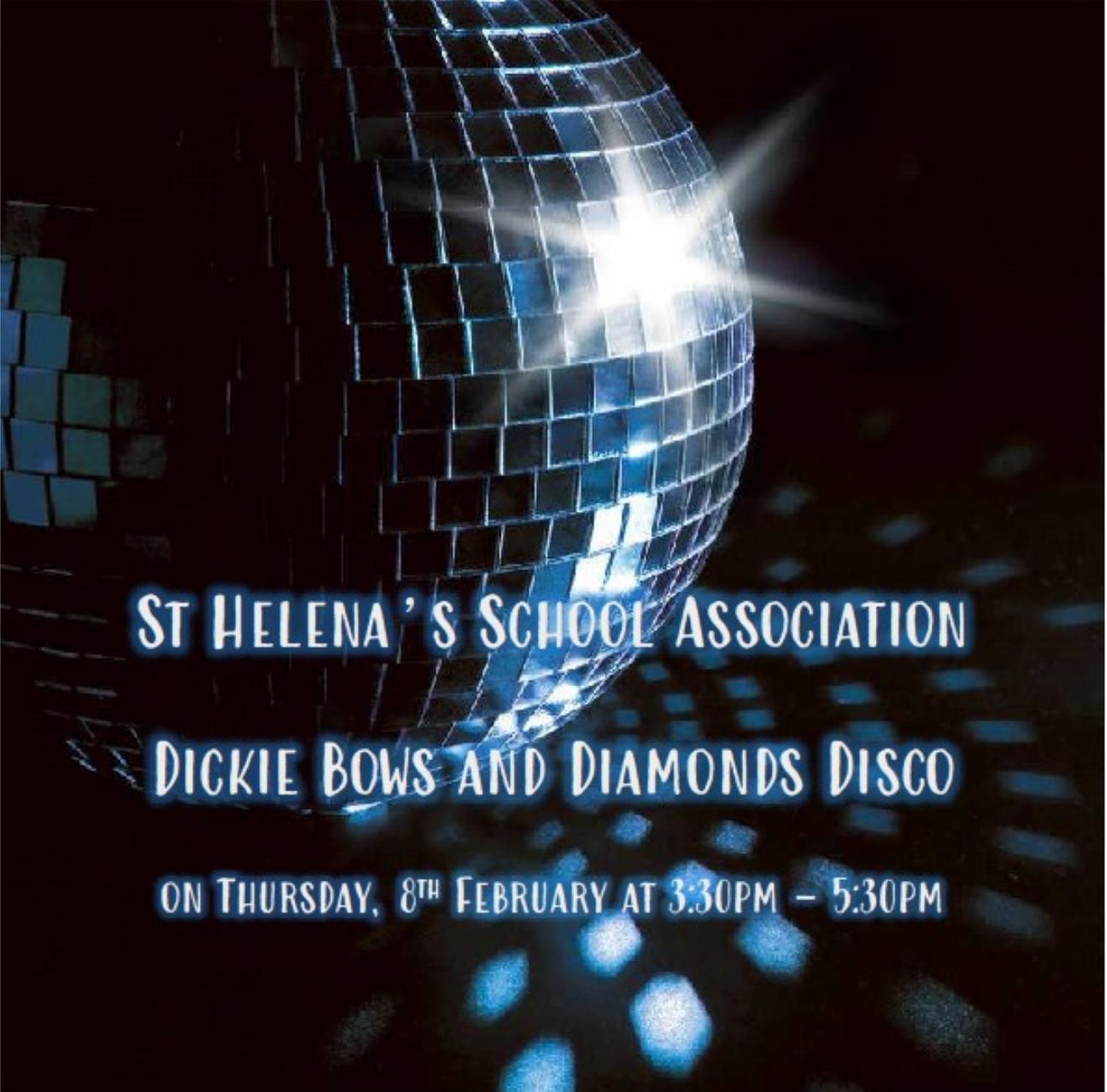
We use Parentmail for all our communication, through this service we send out emails, newsletters and text messages. To ensure you are always up to date why not download the app onto your phone, it is much easier.

Keep up to date and download today.



Thank you from Mrs Seymour

A big thank you for all your kind wishes when I was poorly. I am pleased to say I am feeling much better and glad to be back at school.



ST HELENA'S SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

DICKIE BOWS AND DIAMONDS DISCO

ON THURSDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY AT 3:30PM – 5:30PM

THE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE CHILDREN OF ST HELENA'S FROM RECEPTION TO Y6 TO OUR DICKIE BOWS AND DIAMONDS DISCO. THE CHILDREN WILL HAVE A FANTASTIC EVENING DANCING, PLAYING GAMES AND WILL RECEIVE A HOT MEAL TOO!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE THERE!

NEW PLAYERS WANTED

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD
IN YEAR 5 AT SCHOOL ?

We are looking to expand our Swifts JFC Under 10's Team
ready to go forward onto our new
9v9 format next season playing under 11's grassroots football.
Match days are on Sundays throughout our season.

If they are interested in playing football why not bring them along to our training
sessions on Tuesday's 5pm - 6pm currently training on the 3G pitch for winter
at Skeg Towns facilities then moving back to our Grass Pitch in March at
Jubilee Park, High Street Ingoldmells.

Your first session is FREE then £2.50 per session after that.
Contact us on social media should you need more info
Thank You



Under 10's Sponsored By

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CARAVAN PARK

ALFORD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

UNDER 9'S



Does your child love football?

Are they currently in year 4?



**We are looking for enthusiastic boys
& girls who want to learn new skills,
grow & develop while making new
friends along the way.**

**TRAINING TAKES PLACE EVERY FRIDAY EVENING 6PM-7PM, PLEASE
CONTACT TO CONFIRM LOCATION DURING WINTER MONTHS**

**For more information please contact Rob
on 07860175326 or by email
secretary@alfordtownfc.co.uk**

FIRST TRAINING SESSION FREE

GYMNASTICS AND TRAMPOLINING
HALF TERM ACTIVITY DAY
AT JOHN SPENDLUFFE SCHOOL, ALFORD
TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2024

Activities include Trampolining, Vaulting, Low Beams, Trampette and floor work.

5-15 YEARS, GIRLS, AND BOYS OF ALL ABILITIES

Session 1- 10:00-12:15 Session 2- 12:45-3:00pm

£20 for both sessions. £12 for Session 1 or 2

QUALIFIED EXPERIENCED COACHES

Please bring DRINKS AND SNACKS

And LUNCH if staying for both sessions.

Fun and enjoyable sessions for all ages and abilities.

For more information or a booking form text

GARETH on 07861 424541

Spaces are limited and will be held on payment, please fill out the booking form and e-mail back to Gareth

at: garethbutlerisc14@hotmail.com

Hope to hear from you soon.

Gareth and Debby