



St. Helena's Church of England Primary School

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

Upcoming dates

Monday 16th December 2024

7pm Y5 Rotary Club Carol Concert

Wednesday 18th December 2024

Christmas Dinner for the whole school.

Thursday 19th December 2024

Christingle service, 2pm at the church.

Last Day of Term.

Monday 6th January 2025

Return to school

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

What a fantastic week it has been! The Nursery and Reception children delighted us with their heartwarming nativity performances, and our Year 1 and 2 children shone brightly in their production, showcasing their talent and confidence. Meanwhile, our Year 3 and 4 children amazed us with their ukulele performance – what a treat to see their musical skills in action!

Yesterday, our Year 5 and 6 children represented the school wonderfully at the carol service in Lincoln Cathedral. Their singing and behaviour were exemplary, and I couldn't be prouder of how they embodied the spirit of our school community.

Moments like these remind me that being a headteacher truly is the best job in the world. The Christmas buzz around school is simply magical. As I write this, I'm looking out of my office window, watching the children bring in their amazing Christmas decorations for our tree. We're all counting down to when the entire school and community will come together to celebrate with Christmas songs around the Christmas tree.

If you'd like to be part of this festive joy, please join us for our Christingle service next week. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and heartfelt thanks for an amazing autumn term!



Ed Anderson
Headteacher



Christingle on Thursday 19th December at 2:30pm.

We shall be holding our annual Christingle service at St. Helena's Church on Thursday 19th December at 2:30pm, the last day of term.

Please come along and join the children in their remembrance of those less fortunate at Christmas time. Nationally, nearly a million children take part in these candlelit services every year, which are organised by the Children's Society. Each child receives a Christingle (an orange bearing a candle, red ribbon, fruit and sweets).

Please remember to bring the collection candle, that the children brought home, back to school. All money raised will be for Save the Children.



School Dinners/Breakfast Club/After School Fun Club.

Polite reminder - As a school with very tight budgets we are unable to offer credit for any of the above facilities. Therefore please ensure your account is always up to date.

Thank you.



Office Opening Times.

Please note the new office hours are:

8:30am until 3:15pm

There is a little 'School Bag' hanging by the hatch for any paperwork.

Thank you

EMAILS

We kindly request that all correspondence with staff members at St. Helena's be directed to admin@st-helenascofe.lincs.sch.uk in the first instance. Recently, there have been instances of parents emailing teachers and the headteacher directly. To ensure a smooth and efficient communication process, we ask that all emails go through our admin team.

Our admin inbox is monitored Monday to Friday, and any necessary information will be promptly forwarded to the relevant staff members. This approach helps us maintain proper work-life balance for our team, ensuring they can focus fully on their responsibilities during school hours.





We're looking for volunteers to listen to children read!

As you know, reading is essential for success across all areas of learning. To support this, we're working to increase opportunities for children to read with an adult at school. If you're interested in volunteering, please reach out to Mr. Anderson. We'll arrange a DBS check for you, which will enable you to volunteer at St. Helena's. Thank you for your support!



Our Reception children are in need of dressing up clothes!

If you have any unused dress-up outfits at home, especially ones representing different careers (like police, nurse, doctor, or builder outfits), we'd be so grateful for your donations. Please bring any contributions to Mrs Storr.

Thank you for your support!



PTA Events:

Spring Outdoor Film Night – Date TBC

5th July 2025 – Summer Fair



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

Monday	Gymnastics with JB Sport for Y3 and Y4
Tuesday	Choir with Miss Wickland for KS2 (for those already taking part)
Wednesday	Kurling with Charlotte for Y5 and Y6



Year 5 are taking part in the Rotary Club Carol Concert.

On Monday 16th December, Year 5 will be taking part in the Rotary Club Carol Concert at The Dunes Complex, Mablethorpe.

Letters have been sent out to parents with ticket information. If you still haven't got your tickets please see Mrs Brown/Mrs Storr in the school office.



After School Clubs - Starting Week Commencing Monday 6th January 2025.

The following clubs will be running next term:

Monday Goal Ball Y5 & Y6 with JB Sports (maximum 12)

Tuesday Choir continues with Miss Wickland

Wednesday Boccia Y3 & Y4

Thursday Chess continues with Mr Anderson

Friday Cricket Skills Y1 & Y2

If your child would like to take part in any of the clubs above please complete the slip below and return to the school office.



After School Clubs

I/We consent tojoining the following after school clubs (please circle your choices):

Monday Goal Ball
Wednesday Boccia
Thursday Chess
Friday Cricket Skills

Signed

Date.....

No to Drugs.

Following a recent concern raised about a member of our school community, we understand that this matter is now known by some people in our community.

At the request of the family involved, we wish to clarify the situation. The father of the family voluntarily went to the police station to take a drug test, which he requested himself to demonstrate that he does not use drugs. The test result was negative.

While this concern was initially brought to the school's attention, the wider awareness of this matter has led us to address it publicly to protect the family's reputation. We hope this clarification helps prevent any potential harm to their personal or professional life.

Additionally, we want to strongly emphasise that it is completely irresponsible and unacceptable to use any drugs, particularly on or near school grounds. On Wednesday evening, following the Year 1 & 2 nativity performance, there was a noticeable smell of cannabis in the school car park. This behaviour is absolutely not acceptable and goes against everything we stand for as a school.

Thank you for your understanding, cooperation, and support in maintaining a safe and respectful environment for everyone in our school community.





Louth Winter Sunday Market

Sunday 15th December 2024

Variety of Stalls including crafts, food and gifts

- 🧡 Louth Lions Santa 🧡
- 🧡 Moonshiners Band 🧡
- 🧡 Cheeky Face Entertainments Face Painter 🧡
- 🧡 Twist and Make Balloon Modelling 🧡





Starting School – Reception September 2025

Applications open from the 15th November 2024 and close by 15th January 2025

Parents, please include the name of your child's EY's setting on the application form.

This will really help your child's new school to be able to contact the Early Years setting and start planning for their transition.



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