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ST HELENS PRIMARY

Friday 14th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another exciting week where we have welcomed back another Pioneer to the school. Everyone of course is delighted to see the return of George.

We have seen our clubs continue in earnest with the sailors in year 5 honing their skills.

I cannot believe there are only 3 more Mardi Gras sessions before the actual event of the 6th July.

Thank you to all the volunteers who support the club.

Thank you to FOSH for representing the school at St Helens Fayre. Over £1000 was collected which is particularly impressive and will help to provide more exciting opportunities for the children at the school.

On Wednesday the staff received useful training on Colourful Semantics delivered by the speech and language team.

We all always looking at ways to support all our children and this another 'tool in the box'

What is Colourful Semantics?

Colourful semantics is an approach to support spoken and written language learning across the curriculum, and it is also a common approach used in speech therapy. It aims to help children develop skills when it comes to sentence development, understanding questions, developing narrative, understanding written text and developing vocabulary. As a teaching approach, colourful semantics can be particularly useful for children who struggle in any of the following areas:

- **Putting sentences together in a meaningful order.**
- **Confusing the order of words in sentences.**
- **Missing out verbs and other key details in sentences.**
- **Having a habit of having to restart a sentence to get it in the right order when speaking out loud.**
- **Always using the same sentence structures.**

However it can easily be adapted to support all children by adding additional challenge.



In class Evie enjoyed making elephants on Monday
 Whilst Ellie and Alba were successful with their crystal growing in science.



Outside of the classroom year 5 'enjoyed' their sailing in the inclement weather. A few 'enjoyed trying capsizing whilst Alba and Alexis went one step further by getting extra friendly with the groynes.

In Discoverers Finnlay enjoyed finding fractions of amounts, Abbie the lessons based on their new text and Taylor enjoyed his work on the Saxons.

Rock Pooling was a favourite in Adventurers. Raif loved looking for lots of sea creatures with a number of children locating spider crabs including John and Alena.
 In class, Miles enjoyed his work on habitats, William work on the Emperor penguins, Luke finding about the titanic, Noah making the clay penguins and Alena using commas in her writing.

Explorers also had a great week. Jamie enjoyed the hot air balloons, Eleanor the class book about the chameleon and his new friend and Isabella constructing the classroom ticket office.



Blue chameleon is lonely, so turns himself into a variety of things in an attempt to make a new friend.

He curls his tail up like a swirly snail's shell, hangs from the washing line like a stripy sock, rolls himself up like a spotty football and leaps across the page like a green grasshopper, but friendship eludes him.

Just as he has given up hope, and blended into the white page in despair (readers can trace his raised outline with their fingers), he finds a colourful companion and the gorgeous rainbow colours of his skin reflect his happiness!

This gently humorous book from the multi-award-winning Emily Gravett introduces young readers to a range of colours and objects through one of the author's most endearing characters yet

Attendance has improved for many since half term but I am concerned about the amount of time being missed by a small number of children. It is essential that children attend regularly to get the best education available. If your child is well enough to attend they should be present. Please rest assured that the school will contact parents or carers if a child is unwell.

Next week the Pioneers venture to Avon Tyrell in the New Forest for three days of fun and excitement. I have actually visited the venue on two separate occasions in the past with different schools. In fact my first visit was with my first ever school in Kent who visited when I was new to the profession. More recently I returned with my previous school from the island. I recall both trips were amazing experiences for all the children (and staff!). I'm sure these group of hardy travellers will enjoy the experience as much as I did. I'm sure there will be wonderful stories to tell on their return.



Have a great weekend

Mr Wake

Attendance week from: 03/06/2024 to 07/06/2024

Class	Attendance	Late Arrivals	Minutes Lost Through Lateness	Unauthorised Absences	Authorised Absences
Explorers	94.6%	0	0	0	7
Adventurers	90%	0	0	6	23
Discoverers	89.6%	1	18	12	13
Pioneers	90%	0	0	12	15

Although we strive for 100%, our whole school attendance for this week was 91.05% which is **below** the national expectation of 96%

If your child is too unwell to attend school please contact us to let us know. You can phone on 872442 or email us on admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk If you let us know by phone please can you put the reason for your child's absence in writing when they return to school otherwise the absence will be marked as unauthorised. We are required to ask you for this in order to follow the Local Authority attendance procedures, and if we don't receive a letter or email we have to follow it up.



THIS WEEKS AWARDS



<u>Class</u>	<u>Worker of the Week</u>	<u>Star of The Week</u>
Explorers	Harvey	Betty
Adventurers	Amelia F	Ruby
Adventurers	Seb	Sam
Discoverers	Lottie	Belle
Discoverers	Luke	Logan
Pioneers	Alexis	Ellena
Pioneers	Millie-Jay	Evie



We would like to wish a very 'Happy Birthday' to the following children who celebrate their special day this week:

Noah age 8

School Dinner Menu (£2.75) per day or free to Reception, Year 1 & 2 pupils)

On **TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS only**, the children will be able to order baguettes - fillings cheese, tuna or ham.

Chartwells		WEEK 1				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	NOF SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Half a Jacket Potato	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	BBQ Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes	Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	BBQ Quorn Filled Served with Wholegrain Rice	Vegetarian Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Cheesy Ploughman's Plink Plate	Chilli No Cheese with Crispy Tortilla Served with Wholegrain Rice	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
	DESSERT	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayo sauce	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with panna pasta						
All main meals are served with two vegetables						
		Crispy Oadkle Bar with Fruit	Raspberry Jolly	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice	Vanilla Ice Cream	Original Rapjack
		PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE Ham, Cheese or Tuna baguette available daily with veg sticks and fresh fruit or dessert of the day	AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit		Vegetarian Oily Fish Wholegrain Fruity! Nutritionist's Choice	

Chartwells SCHOOL

WEEK 2

WC: 22/04, 13/05, 10/06, 01/07, 22/07, 16/08, 02/09

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Beef Bolognese 🍝🍷 Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Pork 🍖 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gavy	Butter Chicken Curry 🍛🍷 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Southern Fried Chicken 🍗 Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Vegetarian Bolognese 🍝🍷 Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Veggie Burrito 🌯🍷	Quorn Roasts 🍖 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gavy	Macaroni Cheese 🍝	Veggie Fingers 🍷 Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayo/mousse 🐟	Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍟 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with panne pasta 🍷🍷						
All main meals are served with two vegetables						
DESSERT	Chocolate Cookie	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice 🍰🍷	Orange Jelly	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruit 🍰	Orange Drizzle	

PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE
 Ham, Cheese or Tuna baguette available daily with veg sticks and fresh fruit or dessert of the day

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY
 Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit

🍷 Vegetarian 🐟 Oily Fish 🍷 Wholegrain
 🍷 Fruity! 🍷 Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be advised that all certified special diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for. www.chartwells.com

Chartwells SCHOOL

WEEK 3

WC: 29/04, 20/05, 17/06, 08/07, 02/08, 23/08, 14/09

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages 🍖 Served with Mashed Potato and Beans	Roast Chicken 🍗 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gavy	Cottage Pie 🍷 Served with Gavy	Fish Fingers 🐟 Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Tomato and Herb Lentil Pasta 🍷🍷	Vegetarian Sausage 🍖 Served with Mashed Potato and Beans	Cheese and Onion Pie 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gavy	Meatless Balls in Tomato Sauce 🍷 Served with Rainbowrice	Quorn Dippers 🍷 Served with Chips
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All main meals are served with two vegetables						
DESSERT	Chocolate Brownie with Fruit 🍰🍷	Strawberry Jolly	Banana Cake 🍰	Lemon Sicilian Coolée	Chocolate Ice Cream	

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If your child would like the vegetarian option on a particular day, please can they let their teacher know so we can order enough portions from The Bay kitchen.

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 17 th June	- DT Day – RNLI Schools project
Monday 17 th to Wednesday 19 th June	– Year 5/6 Residential trip
Thursday 20 th June	- Sight for Wight Hat & Sunglasses Day
Friday 28 th June	- FOSH Charity Bingo event 4.30-6.00pm
Monday 1 st July	- performance by 'Wight Noize' winner – Marnie Marie
Friday 12 th July	- FOSH Summer Fayre
Tuesday 23 rd July	- Sports Day 9.30am-12.00pm
Wednesday 24 th July	- Back-up sports day (in case of rain) 9.30am-12.00pm
Friday 26 th July	- Leavers Assembly 11.00am-12.00pm
Friday 26 th July	- Whole school picnic & leavers races 12.00-3.00pm
Friday 26 th July	- School closes at 3.00pm for Summer holidays
Monday 2 nd September	– Staff Development Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 3 rd September	- Staff Development Day – school closed to children
Monday 24 th February 2025	- Staff Development Day – school closed to children
Monday 28 th July 2025	- Staff Development Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 29 th July 2025	- Staff Development Day – school closed to children

Platform One Embark On Island Wide Schools Tour

The established music college aim to perform in 20 schools in 10 days with a live performance from the 2024 Wight Noize winner.

Platform One, who have been the leading music education provider on the island since 1999, will be capitalising on the excitement created by the Isle of Wight Festival and transferring that to primary school children across a 10-date tour.

Platform One 'On The Road' will see recent Wight Noize winner 'Marnie Marie' and her band perform a selection of tracks just days after opening the mainstage at Seaclose.

Andy Booth, the Music Industry Liaison at Platform One, says encouraging young people to engage in music has many benefits.

"We have a duty to ensure that we are inspiring and educating young children through music. Research suggests that both listening to music and playing a musical instrument can help reduce stress and anxiety, as well as strengthen muscle memory and coordination."

Booth, who also has a seat on the Futures Board at UK Music reiterates the new national plan for music education. *"Music should be represented in every school's leadership structure. The vision is to enable all children and young people to play an instrument, learn to sing and create music together. They should all have the opportunity to pursue interests and talents"*

In addition to the live performance, Platform One will also be discussing the selection of instruments being used with members of the band showcasing their respective specialism.

"We would have loved to have been able to visit every single school on the island, but we are restricted by the end of the school term. The response has been fantastic and we have been inundated with requests to visit"

The schools tour will begin on Wednesday 26th June and run until Wednesday 10th July. The trip will be documented and can be followed on Platform One social media @platformoneiow.

For enquires about studying at Platform One at FE or HE please email study@platformone.org or phone 01983 537550. Saturday Rockschoo is also available for those in Years 8 to 11 and will commence in September. Interest can be registered at rockschool@platformone.org.



ON THE ROAD

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▶ VISITING 20 SCHOOLS IN 10 DAYS ◀

FEATURING LIVE PERFORMANCES FROM WIGHT NOIZE WINNER 'MARNIE MARIE'

Binstead Primary | Oakfield Primary | Greenmount Primary | St. Mary's Primary | Nettlestone Primary | Bembridge Primary
 Hunnyhill Primary | St. Helens Primary | Newport Primary | St. Thomas Primary | Carisbrooke Primary | Northwood Primary
 Cowes Primary | Queensgate Primary | Barton Primary | Newchurch Primary | Gatten & Lake Primary | St. Blasius Primary
 St. Francis Primary | Shalfleet Primary | St. Saviours Primary | Freshwater & Yarmouth Primary

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This Week's Class Updates

Explorers

We have had a great week back in Explorers!

In phonics we used a magic bag and did some phonics games with the phonics fairies.

We have also started learning our phase 4 tricky words "said", "have", "like", "so", "do" the children have enjoyed using the whiteboards on the carpet to create their own sentences.

In maths we have started to look at tangrams. The children enjoyed looking at the book 'Tangram Cat' by Maranke Rinck and Martijn van der Linden. They then cut out their own shapes and made their own cat picture.

The school nurses came in and gave the children an oral health presentation. The Explorers enjoyed the toys the nurses brought in to help them demonstrate the importance of brushing their teeth. They also spoke about flavouring water with chopped fruit instead of squash which the children were keen to try.

We walked to the shop to give the shopkeeper a thank you card the children had made for him. They also picked him some daisies. In the home corner we have been creating a ticket office! The children have made tickets using rectangles to draw around and then cut and label.

Our new 'No Outsiders' book this half term is Blue Chameleon by Emily Gravette. We have been discussing how even if we are different we can still be friends.

Have a lovely weekend!



Adventurers

We've had another great week! At beach school on Tuesday we were able to do some rock pooling as the tide was low; the children had a great time.

In maths year 1 have been exploring 2d and 3d shape, whilst year 2 have been learning all about rotational language, including: full turn, half turn, quarter turn, clockwise and anti-clockwise! See if they can show you what these are over the weekend.

In English we learnt some interesting facts about Emperor penguins. Did you know the male penguin looks after the egg for the first two months? Did you know that once a baby emperor penguin is 4 months old, that they have their adult feathers and can go hunting in the sea? We used our newly learned facts to write sentences with commas.

In RE Friday afternoon, we thought about things we are thankful for that are natural. John said he was thankful for 'life', Athena said she is thankful for flowers.

We hope you all have a wonderful Father's day on Sunday celebrating the males in your life. As part of this, Adventurers submitted their own Father's day messages to the County Press! It is available until Thursday and you will find their messages in their special 8-page pull out.

Mr Wake is looking forward to teaching Adventurers on Monday whilst Mrs Rees is away on the residential.

Have a great weekend



The advertisement features a central graphic with a white shirt, a blue tie, and a pair of glasses. The text reads: "County Press Isle of Wight's Father's DAY Messages for Isle of Wight's extra special men". At the bottom, there is a small image of a family and a promotional message for LOCALiQ: "Are you open all hours? 49% of global consumers say they're shopping more on their smartphone since COVID-19 began. We can help you enable e-commerce for your business, so your goods and services ride the new consumer wave. Check out www.localiq.co.uk/digital-marketing-services LOCALiQ localiq.co.uk".



The pull-out is titled "Father's Day - St Helen's Primary School" and is dated "Friday, June 14, 2024". It features a central image of a blue sky with red hearts. The pull-out contains several messages from children:

- To Daddy, I would like to say Happy Father's Day, love from Jude x
- To Dad, Happy Father's Day to you, John
- Dear Melly, I love you so much I hope you have a wonderful day, love from Ruby xxx
- Dear Dad, I love you so much xx Love Lila
- Dear Dad, I hope you have a wonderful father's day, love from Mabel x
- Dear Daddy, I love you and to Uncle thanks for teaching me how to ride a horse, luf from Alfred
- To Daddy, I love u love from Amella xx+
- To Dad, love William Th
- I love you lots of love from Margaux
- Dear Dad, I love you love from Oakleigh
- To Dear Daddy John, Wishing you a very Happy Father's Day love you so much love from Mary xxx Age 31
- Dear Daddy, I love you love from Luke
- Dear Dad, I love you your really nice happy fathers day love from Hollie xx thanks for being a nice person

At the bottom right, there is an image of several colorful crayons.



Discoverers

This week in English we started a new book called *The Search for the Giant Artic Jellyfish* and writing a descriptive paragraph of a sea animal in our new book. In maths this week we have been learning about 2D shapes and fractions. This week in Art we have practised drawing a dragon. In History this week we have been searching up things about Anglo-Saxons. In Science this week we have been learning about all the layers in the Earth.

Macie Sanders

Pioneers

Hello

This week in science we have begun the *Year 6 Science Takeover*. This is now an annual event wherein the Year 6 children work in pairs to create individual science lessons to be enjoyed by the rest of the class. The children are encouraged to think in terms of Chemistry, Physics and Biology lessons to complement their transition to secondary school.

So on Tuesday Ellie and Nikola were organising Pioneers to create and grow their own salt crystals. This will be an observation over time and when we return from our Residential we will also be growing some edible crystals. Here is a slide created by Ellie from her powerpoint.

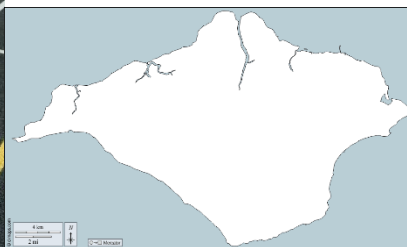


How to make salt crystals.

1. Boil your kettle and let it cool slightly.
2. Pour water into a jug or jar and then add several teaspoons of salt to the water. Mix in the salt until it all dissolves. Keep adding teaspoons of salt, one at a time, until no more salt can be dissolved. **40 grams of salt per 100ml of water**
3. Leave your container in a sunny place and watch what happens.
4. Observe your crystals as they grow. Record their growth in drawings in your science book.



In geography this half term we are looking closely at the Isle of Wight and this week we were practising 6 figure map references using Ordnance Survey maps.

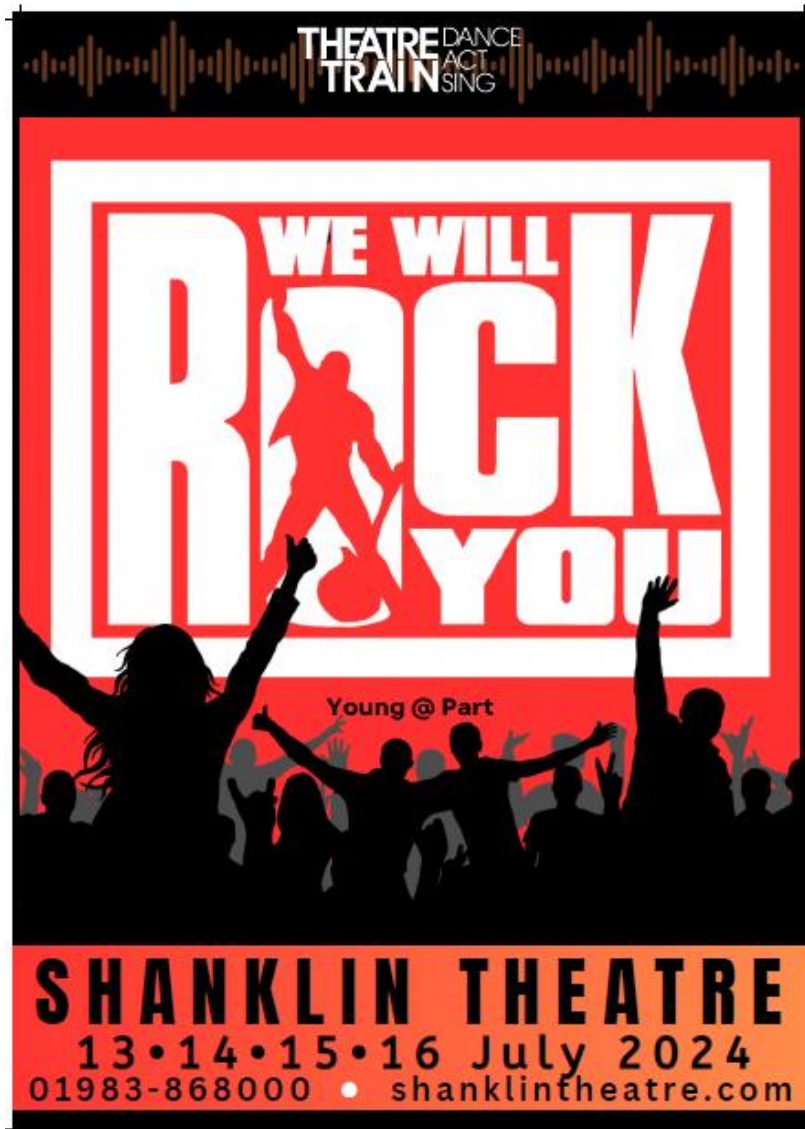


Pioneers are very excited about their residential next week. I am happy to answer any last minute questions so if any parents have any questions over the weekend please do not hesitate to contact me by email. sarah.maloney@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk

Textile Bank

Don't forget that we have a textile bank where you can donate unwanted **clothes, belts, paired shoes, bags, hats, (in a tied bag)**. The donated items will be collected and weighed fortnightly and the school will receive 20p per kilo towards our funds. **Donated items (bagged please) should be left near to the front entrance of the school. Please let the office know you have left items!** ***Please do not donate duvets, pillows, cushions, household textiles, soiled rags, curtains, blankets as the recycling company will deduct the cost of disposing of these items from our overall total raised.***

Remember to look at the school website for the latest school updates and information at www.sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk



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