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ST HELENS PRIMARY

Friday 28th June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week again. It was nice to see all of the Pioneers back after their exciting three days. Mrs Maloney has kindly provided some after-the-event memories.



I really like these images. One child holding on for dear life. I am not sure if I would have got that far along the tree branch if I'm honest. It is also so great to see such determination and bravery from Liam sporting his trendy earrings!

This week we have continued the amazing sports clubs, sailing and Mardi Gras Club. Next week is the 'dress rehearsal' before the event itself on Saturday.

However the 'star of the week' was Well-being Day.

The children gathered in their houses to work together on a four different activities, three class-based and one in based in our environmental woodland.

Mrs Maloney organised the event and all the staff were allocated different work stations and supported the children in the way that St Helens always do.

The theme was water safety so children were tasked with a range of different activities including making boats, designing a t shirt image.

As always the children impressed. During my regular walks, I noticed excellent collaboration and teamwork with the Explorers and Adventurers opening alongside older children or family groups working together to great effect.

Meanwhile in Explorers, Harvey and Ronnie have loved making helicopters and Eleanor enjoyed visiting the environmental area.

In Adventurers, George has been painting clay penguins, Alena designing and sketching habitats whilst Athena has enjoyed a re-focus on handwriting, spelling and sentence structure.

In Discoverers, Taylor has enjoyed his work on capacity and Cai looking at the layers in the earth.

In year 5 reported Alba reported there were no capsizes in sailing, Millie-Jay is exciting about all things leavers and Blossom and Katie reported on all the fun things at the Wellbeing Day.

Yellow house were successful again winning the house point trophy for the second week on the trot.

On Monday we are all looking forward to being entertained by Marnie Marie and her band. I know they performed at the recent Isle of Wight Festival so it will be interesting to see whether any children who attended recognise any of the songs.

The FOSH have been busy fund-raising in order to provide the children with future extra- curricular events or money to support the school with much needed equipment.

On Friday at 4pm, parents and children will gather for a session of bingo and on Monday the children will come to school dressed in all manner of interesting fashions. This is an optional event of course but I be will at the gate with a large envelope to ensure the children pay the fines for breaking the rules.

Please remember if your children wants to participate in the event, they will need to bring the money with them at the beginning of the day.

Have a great weekend

Mr Wake

BREAK THE RULES DAY
 Organised by FOSH
MONDAY 1ST JULY 2024

FOR ONE DAY ONLY YOU CAN BREAK THE SCHOOL RULES. BUT THERE IS A CATCH. WE ALL KNOW DELIBERATELY BREAKING THE RULES IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. THEREFORE YOU WILL BE FINED £1 FOR EVERY RULE YOU BREAK!

RULES YOU CAN BREAK

- Bring squash in water bottle
- Wear nail varnish
- Wear crazy hair or a silly hat
- Wear trainers
- Extra 10 minutes at break
- Bring an unhealthy snack
- Bring a cuddly toy to school
- Wear your own clothes
- Wear temporary tattoos
- Wear face paint or glitter

Please return this slip along with your fine on Monday 1st July

Child's Name	Rules Broken (Please circle each one)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring squash in water bottle • Bring an unhealthy snack • Wear nail varnish • Bring in a cuddly toy • Wear crazy hair or a silly hat • Wear your own clothes • Wear trainers • Wear temporary tattoos • Extra 10 minutes at break • Wear face paint or glitter
Class	
Total paid £	

BACS payments can be made to Friends of St Helens Account No 45260627 Sort Code 544207

Attendance week from: 17/06/2024 to 21/06/2024

Class	Attendance	Late Arrivals	Minutes Lost Through Lateness	Unauthorised Absences	Authorised Absences
Explorers	100%	3	135	0	0
Adventurers	97.2%	0	0	2	6
Discoverers	94.2%	2	60	2	12
Pioneers	90.4%	1	85	3	24

Although we strive for 100%, our whole school attendance for this week was 95.45% 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	Marley	Eleanor
Adventurers	Luke	Oakleigh
Adventurers	Jude	William
Discoverers	Travis	Zach
Discoverers	Clara	Atticus
Pioneers	George	Alfie
Pioneers	Liam	Milly



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

Josiah age 11

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.

Hola!

Baguettes & Tomato pasta also available.

MAINS
Spanish Chicken Paella
OR
Spanish Veggie Paella

SIDES
Peas
Patatas Bravas
Roasted Mediterranean Veg
Fresh Tomato Salsa

DESSERT
Strawberry Ice Cream

Wednesday 3rd July

Comamos!

Class of 24

Baguettes Jacket Potatoes Tomato pasta also available

MAINS
Classic Hot Dog or available
Quorn Dog

SIDES
Chips
Crudités

DESSERT
Chocolate Cookie

Thursday 4th July

*Menus may be subject to change

WEEK 1

W1: 15/04, 04/05, 03/06, 24/06, 15/07, 09/08, 30/09

SPRING/SUMMER 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT 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 Fillet Served with Wholegrain Rice	Vegetarian Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Cheesy Pabaghan'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 Mayonnaise	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					
DESSERT	Crispy Crackle Bar with Fruit	Raspberry Jelly	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice	Vanilla Ice Cream	Original Rajjack

PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE
Honey, 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 aware that all modified and/or diet and allergy requirements will be subject to availability.

WEEK 2

W2: 22/04, 13/05, 10/06, 01/07, 22/07, 16/08, 03/09

SPRING/SUMMER 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Potato Wedges	Beef Bourguoise 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 Bourguoise Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Veggie Bunto Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Quorn Roast Served with Roast Potatoes and Gavy	Macaroni Cheese	Veggie Fingers 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 Mayonnaise	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					
DESSERT	Chocolate Cookie	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice	Orange Jelly	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruit	Orange Drizzle

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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
	Tomato and Herb Lentil Pasta	Vegetarian Sausage Served with Mashed Potato and Beans	Cheese and Onion Pasty Served with Roast Potatoes and Gavy	Meatless Balls in Tomato Sauce Served with Rainbowrice	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
JACKET POTATOES	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayo dressing	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 Pesto Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with panne pasta					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Chocolate Brownies with Fruit	Strawberry Jolly	Banana Cake	Lemon Sicilian Cookies	Chocolate Ice Cream
PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE Mini Chicken 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	

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 1st July - **BREAK THE RULES Day!**
- Monday 1st July - performance by 'Wight Noize' winner – Marnie Marie
- Friday 12th July - **FOSH Summer Fayre**
- Tuesday 23rd July - Sports Day 9.30am-12.00pm
- Wednesday 24th July - Back-up sports day (in case of rain) 9.30am-12.00pm
- Friday 26th July - Leavers Assembly 11.00am-12.00pm
- Friday 26th July - Whole school picnic & leavers races 12.00-3.00pm
- Friday 26th July - **School closes at 3.00pm for Summer holidays**
- Monday 2nd September - **Staff Development Day – school closed to children**
- Tuesday 3rd September - **Staff Development Day – school closed to children**
- Monday 24th February 2025 - **Staff Development Day – school closed to children**
- Monday 28th July 2025 - **Staff Development Day – school closed to children**
- Tuesday 29th July 2025 - **Staff Development Day – school closed to children**

This Week's Class Updates

Explorers

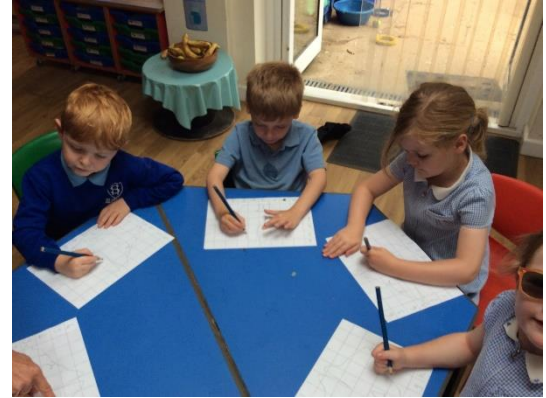
The Explorers have had a fun week in the sun. They have been using their phonics knowledge in the woodland area, writing lists of things they could see and hear. They have also been playing treasure and trash game, separating real and nonsense words and even writing their own words for their friends to read.

They have been working very hard at perfecting their number formation and becoming stronger at understanding the teen numbers. They have enjoyed plotting shapes on a map of the Isle of Wight using a grid.

This week the Explorers have also enjoyed some science, predicting if objects would float or sink and also making their own paper helicopter propellers, which to the delight of the children spun when they were dropped to the ground.

Wellbeing day was also a highlight of the week as the Explorers always enjoy the opportunity to spend the day with the older children.





Adventurers

It seems that summer finally arrived this week! Thank you for keeping the children kitted out with hats and water bottles; we have restricted football at break time this week and encourage use of the shaded areas.

Wednesday we had our wellbeing day which had the theme of the RNLI. We split into house colours for this and in Adventurers classroom our task was to design and create boats with sails that will hopefully float! We look forward to completing and testing these out.



We have finished our text 'The Emperors Egg' this week and will now be working on spelling, grammar, handwriting and sentence composition in English. In maths we have been adding this week using a variety of strategies, followed by subtraction.

In science our living things and their habitats topic is coming to an end! This week we have chosen a habitat and its creatures to hopefully make a 'diorama' (a 3 dimensional scene) of our chosen scene. In order to do this however we do need a plea of boxes for next Thursday!! Shoe boxes are ideal.

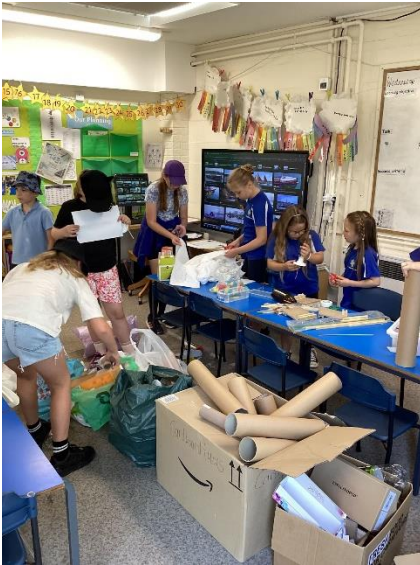
Have a great weekend.

Discoverers

This week we have been learning volume and capacity in maths, whilst in English our amazing class has been working on writing their own story inspired by 'The Giant Arctic Jellyfish'. We have mixed history with a bit of art by drawing the sutton hoo mask, an ancient mask worn by the king in the viking era. We are coming to an end with our (ks2) pshe with pretend party elections. The winning group for discoverers was the football boys.

By Clara Hughes

Pioneers



WELLBEING DAY this week

Opposite : Photos of lifeboat making action.

It was lovely to see all the children engaged and happy in all the activities.



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Four sessions around the themes

The children were divided into their houses so a vertical split in terms of age, this means that the children develop their ability to work collaboratively and are considerate and nurturing.

Staff	Mrs Cascarino Mrs Ferrier	Mrs Sharp Mr Popple	Mrs Jenvey Mr Enser am only Mrs Ashdown	Mrs Maloney Mrs Royal
Location	Adventurers classroom	Wakes Wood , outdoor classroom	Discoverers Classroom	Pioneers Classroom
Activity	Design a Lifeboat This has to float and be a maximum of 60 cm long. Plastic containers are ideal.	Water Safety Drills Teach 4 steps children obtain passports Stop and think. Stay together. Float. Call 999 or 112.	Design T - shirt for Inshore Lifeboat (this is a Competition with closing date 28th June).	Childrens' annual Well Being Questionnaires Pupil Voice
9:10 - 9.50	Red	Blue	Green	Yellow
9:55 - 10:40	Yellow	Red	Blue	Green
	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00 - 11:50	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00	Blue	Green	Yellow	Red

In Pioneers Class this week we were getting back into the swing of school work after our residential last week and we used this experience as an opportunity to write persuasively. The Year 6 science takeover continues, this week we were looking at ants and we have our own class formicarium.

A formicarium or ant farm is a vivarium which is designed primarily for the study of ant colonies and how ants behave and for the enjoyment of ants as pets.



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



Only 2 days to go until our second annual FOCAS (Focus on Conservation & Science) Festival!

We invite all children to immerse themselves in a world of wonder where they can connect to our natural world and see how science can have an immensely positive impact on the planet, and most importantly for them to understand ways they too can help save our planet.

There will be 2 sessions on each of the two dates – June 29th & 30th – morning and afternoon.

Morning session – 9:30am to 1pm

Afternoon session – 1:30pm to 5pm

Booking for this event is [Online only](#). There is limited availability to book early to avoid disappointment.

Book via our What's On Page: <https://wildheartanimalsanctuary.org/whats-on/2024/focas-festival-29th-30th-june-2024/>

Join us to experience a host of fantastic exhibitors who will help kids connect with nature by immersing themselves in a variety of conservation and science based activities including:

- How to rescue a beached dolphin?
- Learn how to make a bug hotel, plant seagrass and make wool
- Explore the old and new worlds of dinosaurs and underwater robots
- Learn more about our natural world, hedgehogs, birds, bugs and bats
- Step into the secret and scientific world of Gases, with liquid nitrogen and Co2 demos, and explore the skies with telescopes



- Find out what you can you do to help save our wildlife and our planet?

And lots lots more...

We are also linking with the Biosphere Festival this year!

A weekend for local businesses, organisations and communities to celebrate our Biosphere status together, with events for everyone, all over the island! Find out more on the Festival webpage [here!](#)

Bonding with Bump & Baby



'Bonding with Bump & Baby'
drop-in session



Find out about our services
Give us your views
Children welcome

Monday 29th July 2024
10am-12pm
Newport Family Hub
Furrlongs,
Newport,
PO30 2AX

We welcome anyone interested in knowing more about mental wellbeing in relation to pregnancy/parenting

Subject matter experts available to chat to on the day:
Lianne Santer & Sarah Goddard - Barnardos
Katie Jubb - NHS
Alison Griffiths - Home-Start

Find out more or request transport using the details below

 familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk
  IWfamilyinfohub
  rosie@aspireyde.org.uk



The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme is back for Summer 2024.

The HAF programme is funded by the Department for Education so that local authorities can offer healthy food and enriching activities in the school holidays to children who receive income-related free school meals. A small number of places are also available on HAF schemes for other vulnerable families. Further information on HAF and eligibility can be found on the [holiday activities webpages](#).

This summer we have our most varied programme, activities include:

- animal care
- arts and crafts
- creative play
- dance
- day trips
- football
- gymnastics
- skateboarding
- tennis
- theatre skills
- water sports

All the sessions provide a hot, nutritious meal or a substantial packed lunch for day trips and where possible, providers encourage the children to get involved in preparing and serving food as part of the overall experience.

Full details including booking information can be found on the Isle of Wight [Family Information Hub webpage](#).

Please share with families you are working with and encourage them to book on to activities should they be eligible.

If you have any questions, please contact the HAF Team on holidayactivities@iow.gov.uk

