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ST HELENS PRIMARY

Friday 12th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sadly my weather forecasters predicted that the rain would fall throughout the day on Friday meaning we had to postpone the planned summer fayre. The ground was wet when I arrived at school, so it was probably the right call.



I must remember to check with Mrs Taylor, who is a meteorological guru as well as an oracle of all things St Helens before Sports Day arrives as another cancellation would not be what we want.

However with two extra months to plan, I'm sure we can look forward to an even better in September.

The week began early this time of course. Children, school staff and parents met in Simeon Park, Ryde on Saturday at 1400 to prepare for the Mardi Gras at 1500.



After costumes were added along with face paint, the children and adults were ready. Thanks to Miss Gorman for her efforts on the make up front (as well as Mrs Maloney and Mrs Callaghan of course).

The rain stayed off as we walked through lower Ryde across Melville Street, down Union Street, along The Esplanade and finally back to the park. The children and adults were amazing of course and all the weeks of planning were worth

it of course.

Thank you to Margaret and Brian, teachers, parents and children for many weeks of fun. Carnival time is upon us and I'm sure there will be plenty of other opportunities for people who missed the event to watch or participate in.

Other events this week have included transitions of course. Children have joined their new classes on Tuesday for our internal transition, new Explorers visited again and our amazing year 6ers had a day (or two) in their new secondary schools.

Year 5 have now officially qualified as new sailors. Hannah has said us that she will be asking her parents to purchase a dinghy to continue her sailing development in St Helens Bay!

Home visits have been continued, Reception's Teddy Bear's picnic, visits from peripatetic teachers, clubs, fire drill (sorry preschool for waking the children, FGB and much, much more).

Despite only two weeks before the end of term things are still going very strong. It is a myth (at St Helens at least) that school takes it foot off the pedal at the end of term!

The next two weeks will continue to be full and filled with fun. Just a few of the treats will include the final home visits, visit to Open Minds, Sports Day, a beach visit for Explorers, the wonderful Leaver's assembly, a visit from Bembridge Library and the end of term picnic.

In class Explorers have loved making habitats. Sea life was the focus. Reggie's jellyfish, Marley's fish and all the rest of the sea life have made up quite an aquatic classroom this week. Away from the water Eleanor and Rowan have enjoyed subtraction and addition respectively.

In Adventurers, Alena loved sketching her penguins, William making dioramas and maths time. Athena-Rose's mini beast diorama was a treat of the assembly this week.

In Discoverers Lottie enjoyed art, Macie typing up English work and Clara learning about blackstones.

In Pioneers, Alba enjoyed watching dodgeball tennis and Hannah the last day of sailing. Pippa and the rest of year 6 really enjoyed their transition days.

Paint Request

Mr Andre has made a request for white paint for the field. Please check your garages, sheds, stables, lodges, bothy or any other outbuilding for any spare white paint which can be used to paint our lines.

Have a great weekend

I know we have a few newly converted football fans. Mrs Anderson will be glued to the TV on Sunday hoping for a victory!!



Mr Wake

Although the school fayre had to be postponed the children didn't miss out completely. Green Watch from Ryde Fire Station brought their planned visit to the fayre forward, parking up in the school playground for 30 minutes and giving all the classes and pre-school a very informative and visual tour of the fire truck and its equipment (including the hoses!)

Many thanks to FOSH for organising the visit and of course to Green Watch crew.



Balance Bikes

A massive thank you to the following companies who Courtney and Tammy have contacted and who have donated brand new balance bikes to St Helens School reception class to replace the old ones.



<https://choiceiow.co.uk/>

Choice Carpets & Furnishings

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CARPET & FURNISHINGS



Gary and Scott who also donated 20kg of play sand

<http://fillyanddillyvintage.etsy.com/>

<http://www.spirit-events.org/>

Attendance week from: 01/07/2024 to 05/07/2024

Class	Attendance	Late Arrivals	Minutes Lost Through Lateness	Unauthorised Absences	Authorised Absences
Explorers	98.5%	0	0	0	2
Adventurers	100%	0	0	0	0
Discoverers	89.3%	2	77	0	25
Pioneers	91.8%	0	0	9	14

Although we strive for 100%, our whole school attendance for this week was 94.9% which is **below** the national expectation of 96%

In line with the school policy, **please inform the school every day of absence**, wherever practically possible, of the reason for their child’s absence and the predicted date of their return.

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	Reggie	Betty
Adventurers	George	Noah
Adventurers	Athena	Hollie
Discoverers	Belle	Noah
Discoverers	Georgie	Taylor
Pioneers	Lylah	Alexis
Pioneers	Rowan	Lottie



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

Thomas age 9
 William age 7
 Mrs Ferrier

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.

MENU CHANGE

On **Thursday 25th July** the menu will be Fish & Chips as we have our whole school picnic on Friday 26th July

Chartwells		WEEK 1				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	NOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Half a Jacket Potato	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	BBQ Chicken Served with Rice and 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 Paboussin's Pencil Pasta	Chilli No Nuts with Crispy Tortilla	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips
		Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Steamed 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 penne pasta						
All main meals are served with two vegetables						
DESSERT		Crispy Ockle Bar with Fruits	Raspberry Jolly	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slices	Vanilla Ice Cream	Original Rajjack
PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE Warm, Cheese or Tuna baguette available daily with veg sticks and fresh fruit or dessert of the day		AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Water, soft, freshly baked bread, yogurt & 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, 02/10

		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 Roast 🍖 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

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Chartwells SCHOOL

WEEK 3

WC: 29/04, 20/05, 17/06, 08/07, 02/08, 23/08, 14/10

		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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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 15 th July	- Visit from Bembridge Library to launch the Summer Reading Challenge
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

This Week's Class Updates

Explorers

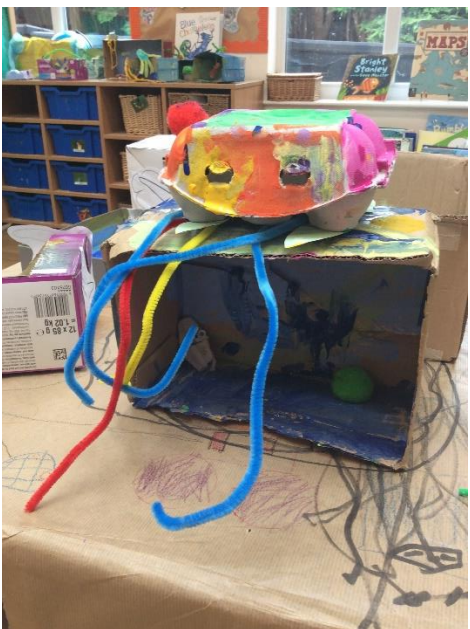
What a busy week in Explorers!

This week the children enjoyed another transition morning up into Adventurers where they got to spend some time with Mrs Rees.

We have continued with our under the sea activities. The children have cut out and decorated their own fish to display in our home corner. Over the last two days we have been creating our own mini habitats. The children have each decorated the inside of a box to represent the ocean and have created their own sea creatures to live inside. We have used a wide range of materials and the children have enjoyed discussing and creating different ways to represent parts of the sea.

Have a lovely weekend!





Adventurers

We started the week with some transition activities. The children are all getting excited about starting in their new classes!

This week we have worked on some comprehension activities in English. We have scratched up on making predictions, and we have considered how authors use vocabulary to paint a picture in our imaginations. This also linked nicely with Mrs Cascarini's assembly this week on creativity, where we talked about daydreaming and using our imagination!

In maths, we have started some multiplication and fractions. The year 2s have been counting in $\frac{1}{2}$'s; whilst the year 1s have been making equal groups.

In Science, we worked together to research our favourite animals, using some of our knowledge of this terms topic. We had to find out their habitat and where they are in the food chain! The children are still talking about their dioramas from last week: see below for some photos of these.



Discoverers

In English we finished our descriptive write up about our planet. This week in Maths we've been looking at statistics using pie charts, bar graphs and tallies. In History/R.E this week we have been learning about the religious black stone or stones in different faiths. During Art this week we have learnt some old English language writing, we have then drawn initials before colouring in a metallic style using metallic pens. Finally in PSHE we were making a school advertisement leaflet promoting our school.

By Taylor Rolf

Pioneers

This week in Pioneers class we have been completing our elephants and in Science flying paper planes and considering our rubber eggs. It was transition day too on Tuesday and everyone enjoyed being in a different year group.





Southampton Hospitals Charity
WILD IN ART

Find out more about our art trail #LighttheSouth taking place in summer 2024

www.lightthesouth.co.uk

@lightthesouth | @southamptonhospitalscharityuk / @charity_shc

Little Light update.

This Saturday 13th July sees the start of the Light Light trail in Cowes and Southampton.

If you want to see our Little Light, it has been placed in Willetts & Doig Opticians

Location: 21-22 High Street, Cowes



- Parents are encouraged to download the Light the South app when it goes live – your sculptures are on it, as well as the large ones, plus events and when a large sculpture is ‘captured’ on the app, a reward pops up for many of them. The Red Funnel reward is a stonker – 50% off family travel to the Isle of Wight, so well worth getting the app just for that!

Light the South Art Trail 2024

From 13th July 2024 get ready to explore Southampton and Cowes like never before! Discover 40 8ft lighthouses, and 40 mini lighthouses on the Light the South art trail.

Designed by some of the UK’s most talented artists, schools, and community groups, these unique sculptures will take you on a cultural tour of Southampton and Cowes on the Isle of Wight, letting you discover and engage with our region like never before!

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Cowes Little Lights



Willetts & Doig Little Light

Location: 21-22 High Street, Cowes

Goose Island: St Helen's Primary School created by St Helen's Primary School



Rosalie's of Cowes Little Light

Location: 74 High Street, Cowes

Inclusion in Action created by St George's School



Roly's Fudge Pantry Little Light

Location: 19 Shooters Hill, Cowes

Godshill's Glow created by Godshill Primary School



Medina Bookshop Little Light

Location: 50 High Street, Cowes

Our Future is Bright created by St Catherine's School



Helly Hansen Little Light

Location: 121 High Street, Cowes

The Needles, Isle of Wight created by Cowes Enterprise College



BINGO NIGHT!

Saturday 13th July

Eyes down 2pm

At The Vine, St Helens

Tickets £5 for 5 games

Plus a raffle!

Raising funds for a
reading seat for
Reception Class at
St Helens Primary
School



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

 Sandown Soccer - Isle of Wight

SANDOWN SOCCER

at The Bay CE Secondary

FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-11

Week 1: 29th July - 2nd Aug
Week 2: 5th - 9th August
Week 3: 12th - 16th August

10AM - 3PM

Mini-Soccer camp for children. Aiming to provide a fun and enjoyable environment whilst developing and improving players footballing ability!

- FA Qualified coaches with enhanced DBS and up to date first aid and safeguarding training.
- Fun football games to develop agility, balance, coordination and speed!
- Win medals by becoming Penalty, Keepy-uppy, Crossbar or Speed Champion as well as our Best Attitude, Most Improved and Future Star awards!
- Take part in the Sandown Soccer World Cup where one team will be crowned **WORLD CHAMPIONS!!!**



5 hours of fun EVERY day!
10am - 3pm
inclusive football for ALL abilities!

Only £14 a day
Special Discounts!
5 days only £65!
Sibling Discount available!

Win Player Of The Day trophies and t-shirts!

Have questions or would like more information?
Contact Lewis (Mr Mitchell)
sandownsoccer@yahoo.com
07594 389531

SANDOWN SOCCER

Children are welcome to come for one day or for ALL the days!

Attend at least 4 out of the 5 days during the week and win a medal for all of your hard work!

To book a place text your child's name, school year, dates and your name to **07594 389531**



SUMMER HOLIDAY

Football and Multi-sport Camps
Coming to COWES and RYDE

COWES - Westwood Park
10am - 2:45pm

RYDE - St Marys School
10am - 2:45pm

Reception - Year 8

Tuesdays are Sports Challenge Day
Wednesday and Thursdays are different Multisports
Friday is World Cup Day

WEEK 1
Tuesday 29th Jul - Friday 2nd Aug

WEEK 2
Tuesday 6th Aug - Friday 9th Aug

WEEK 3
Tuesday 12th Aug - Friday 16th Aug

WEEK 4
Tuesday 26th Aug - Friday 30th Aug

£13 per child a day

Please use the following link to book your child on
<https://ljrcoaching.classforkids.io>

Entitled to Free School Meals please use the following link to book
<https://forms.gle/Rvrh4CKeNBjiSDuo6>

Summer Pottery Club!

- Potters Wheel
- Model Making
- Pottery Painting

£25

EVERY MONDAY IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

July 29th
August 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

Sessions are available:
10 - 12 & 2 - 4

Book online now at;
www.isleofwightpottery.com






**'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 - Barnados
 Katie Jubb - NHS
 Alison Griffiths - Home-Start
 Matt Foster & Harry - Dadzclub
 Ginny Dupont & Charlotte Curley - Breastfeeding Network

Find out more or request transport using the details below
familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk [iwfamilyinfohub](https://www.facebook.com/iwfamilyinfohub) rosie@aspirenyde.org.uk



Family Hubs **Summer Pop in and Play information sessions**

During the Summer Holidays we will be holding **FREE** Pop in and Play sessions within some of our centres. Play sessions will be running for you to pop into and find out information about our services and to reach out for advice and support. Find us at the following centres on these dates from 10.30am -12pm. No need to book, just pop in and play!

- West Wight Family Centre – Monday 5th August**
- Cowes Family centre – Wednesday 7th August**
- Ventnor Family Centre – Wednesday 14th August**
- East Cowes Family Centre – Thursday 22nd August**

Join us for our Open Morning at **Newport Family Hub** on **Wednesday 21st August** from 9am – 12pm. Come along and spot your favourite character, enjoy our play session and talk to our experienced team for advice and support.

