

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the parents who were able to stay for our first 'Drop Off - Drop In' this morning. It was really lovely to see you all. Everyone is very welcome and we look forward to seeing even more of you at the next 'Drop off - Drop In' on Friday 2nd November.

Happy St Francis Feast day! The children and adults in St Francis' House gathered together this afternoon to celebrate his feast day. Everyone enjoyed a biscuit and lots of laughter could be heard from the Hall. It was also lovely to see the adults in St Francis House wearing something yellow and lots of the children wearing yellow ribbons and corsages too.

Please note that all children must come to school every day in a warm coat and be in full winter uniform after the October half term - NO Polo Shirts or Summer Dresses. Girls must wear navy pinafores as NO SKIRTS are allowed. **Please, Please label all items of uniform.**

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Sebastian Perera	Class 1
Ethan Paul	Class 2
Sara Cristescu	Class 3

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WORKERS OF THE WEEK

Class 1	Erin Burke	&	Abisha Philby James
Class 2	Isla Ruby Smith	&	Ava O'Sullivan
Class 3	Jacob Edwards	&	Amelie Munday

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PLEASE REMEMBER NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL PREMISES INCLUDING THE CAR PARK AREA.

On Wednesday all the children had a fun skipping day. The Year 1 and Year 2 children practised skipping skills and tricks with individual ropes. They also conquered their fears and ran into a turning double rope and skipped. The Foundation Stage children all practised jumping like "Tigger" while a rope was turned around them! Their faces when they realised they were skipping was a delight! (For further ideas and skills to try at home visit dantheskippingman on you tube.)



KITCHEN CORNER
Monday 8th October
Menu Week 3

KARATE STARS

Fleur Gain - Class 9

MULTI SKILLS STARS

Erin Geeves - Class 9

GYMNASTICS STARS

Tallulah Butler
Class 8

Attendance League Table

Remember the class with the greatest attendance will be rewarded.

Class	%
4	99.39
3	98.57
5	98.35
7 & 8	98.26
6 & 9	97.58
1	97.28
2	96.51

PARENT/TEACHER APPOINTMENTS
Tuesday 16th & Thursday 18th October
Please remember these consultation evenings are for PARENTS ONLY.
Thank you

We have a clothes rail in the foyer full to the brim of various 2nd hand uniform items. Thank you to everyone who has donated. Please do look through the clothes and purchase from the office anything that you want.

From Monday 5th November, parents can, if they wish, sign up and enjoy a school dinner in the hall. This will give you an opportunity to sample the delicious food that is available on that day. There will be 6 spaces available each day. In order to cover costs we will ask for a payment of £1.50. **Please note that there is no guarantee that your child will be in the hall whilst you are there.** You will need to arrive between 12.10 and 12.20 having booked a space via the school office prior to this. We are unable to offer more than 6 spaces each day due to the capacity for cooking meals and seating availability. We look forward to welcoming you for your lunch.

TAG RUGBY STARS

Rithik Prabhu - Class 8 and Pippa Howlett - Class 9

Well Done to **St. Clare's House** for being the winners this week.

House	This Weeks Points	Accumulative Points Autumn Term
St. Bernadette	140	676
St. Clare	150	577
St. Francis	123	546
St. Martin	95	499

P.E. STARS OF THE WEEK

Mollie Kavanagh	Class 4
Oliver Polacik-Solecki	Class 5
Thibaud Racon	Class 6
Sonny Perera	Class 7
Lilah Tregidgo	Class 8
Nicco Rossi	Class 9

Late Arrivals

There were 11 late arrivals this week. Please remember that the doors open 8.45a.m and anyone that arrives after 9.00a.m. is officially late.

Year 2

ENGLISH - We have written facts about Brentwood, highlighting all the things that you can see and do. Yesterday was National Poetry Day. We had fun reading poems and writing our own too.

MATHS - We have discussed the properties of 2D shapes and compared them.

This week's common exception words are:- **beautiful, after, fast, last, past**

Could you please check that your child knows how to spell their surname? This would help them to log onto the computer more independently.



Year 1

MATHS - The children have been using resources such as cubes or a number-line to take-away a number from 20.

Shape of the Week - Pentagon. How many corners does a pentagon have?

SCIENCE and ART - Year 1 have been creating pictures of things they like to see/hear/smell/taste/touch.

Sense of the Week -Taste

COME AND SEE - While exploring Judaism this week, the children have learnt about how much Abraham loved and trusted God.

Invitation to the Year 1 Christmas Activity Session

We would like to invite you to join your child for a Christmas crafts session. We can accommodate 1 adult per child. This can be a parent/other family member or carer. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate younger siblings. Please select from the 2 available sessions for your child's class.

Class 4 + 6 - 9.00am - 10.30am - Tuesday 4th December 2018
 9.00am - 10.30am - Wednesday 5th December 2018

Class 5 9.00am - 10.30am - Thursday 6th December 2018
 1.30pm - 3.00pm - Thursday 6th December 2018

Places will be given on a first come first served basis. At 8.00am on Monday 8th October you will receive a Parentmail inviting you to select your session. You will then need to book your chosen time slot.



FOUNDATION STAGE

This week we have continued our phonics. We have learnt the sound 'g', 'o', 'c', and 'k'. We have started to blend all the sounds taught. The children might be able to tell you the words 'can', 'dog' and 'mop'.

Now all the children have their reading books. Please keep writing in their diaries when they read with you at home.

We have all had PE lessons this week. The children did really well trying to change on their own. Please, please, please make sure that all items of clothes are labelled as once the children take their clothes off, it is difficult to work out who they belong to.

Thank you to our first mystery guest Mrs Churchill, who came to read to all the classes. The children really enjoyed listening to your story.



School Councillors for 2018-2019

Class 4	Isabella Moreira	Luke Veale
Class 5	Ivy-Rose Hallahan	Jack Hersey
Class 6	Callie Mullen	Charlie Mears
Class 7	Isabella Souza	Jenson Darby
Class 8	Isla Lapena	Freddie Fordham
Class 9	Erin Geeves	Charles Kayode

SKIPPING CHALLENGE

During the last week of this half-term (**Week of Monday 15th October to Friday 19th October inclusive**) each child in school will be completing our skipping challenge - how many skips can you do in 2 minutes?

The challenge will take place every morning of this week between 8.45a.m. and 9.30a.m.

We really need some help to count the skips. So if you have half an hour to spare on any of these mornings, please contact the school office. Everyone is welcome to help.



OPEN MORNING 18th OCTOBER 2018

- Open Morning (not suitable for young children) on Thursday, 18th October at 9.15am, for a prompt start at 9.30am. This is for **parents of children due to start school in September 2019**. Refreshments will be served

PA Christmas Card Fundraiser

Please return all completed order forms and payments to the school office no later than Thursday 11th October. Correct money only please as we are unable to give change. Cheques made payable to St. Helen's Parents School Association. Any queries please contact Nina at sthelenapta@gmail.com

Please see diary dates on the website

Permanent Kitchen Assistant Vacancy – starting 28th October, 2018

Duties will include washing up, serving food, helping the children by cutting up food etc.
 Hours - 11.50am to 1.20pm Monday to Friday, term time only. Closing date for applications is Monday 15th October, 2018. For further information and an application form please contact the School Office or visit the school website.