



St Helen's Catholic Infant School

Newsletter

Friday 3rd October 2025

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Prayer of the Week: Class RR

Dear God,
Thank you for the gift of our families who love and care for us.
Amen.

With Jesus alive in our hearts, we celebrate each other and learn together as a family.

Best Attendance:

2B – 100%

Whole School Attendance:

96%

Dear families,

Thank you Class 2S for their Liturgy about St Francis. The children told us about his life, his devotion to God and his compassion for all living things. We heard his significant prayer, 'Make me a channel of your peace'. We were delighted to see so many parents there. Well done Class 2S, Mrs Simmons and Mrs Guy. Thank you also, to all our families for their generous donations.



Parent Consultations: Tuesday 21st /Thursday 23rd October 2025:

3.30pm-6.30pm

Parents/carers are now able to book a 10 minute appointment **on site** to discuss their child/ren's progress this term. Alternatively If you wish to arrange a **telephone** meeting to discuss your child/ren's progress, please contact your child/ren's teacher directly via the year group email address to arrange.

School Council: Foodbank Project

The School Council are still collecting donations for Brentwood Foodbank and Food Hub until **Monday 6th October**. We ask all families who would like to make a voluntary donation to send an item/items into school with their child/ren.



World Space Week: Monday 6th - Friday 10th October 2025

On Monday 6th October we will be celebrating World Space Week and throughout the week, children will be learning about space and the galaxy around us. **On Friday 10th October, children are invited to dress as anything related to space.** This could include space prints, the colour of a planet, a black hole, a space scientist etc. They just need to explain why they chose to wear their outfit.



URGENT: Flu Vaccinations: Thursday 23rd October 2025

The Flu Vaccination Day has now been re-scheduled to Thursday 23rd October 2025.

- If your child did NOT received the Flu Vaccination on 18th September (original date), please ensure you register their CONSENT or DECLINE for the flu vaccination via the E-consent link [Vaccination UK East Anglia Immunisation](#) THE VACCINATION TEAM HAVE REASSURED US THAT THE LINK IS NOW WORKING.
- Please ensure consent is given correctly if you want your child to receive the flu vaccination otherwise they will NOT receive.
- Consent for vaccinations is given directly to the vaccination team and the school has no involvement or access to forms.

Prospective Reception Parents 2026-27

There will be tours of the school for prospective parents (Reception 2026) on **Tuesday 26th November, Wednesday 27th November, Thursday 28th November and Friday 29th November at 9.30am.** Please contact the school office to book a slot.

Phonics Workshops for Parents/ Carers: Wednesday 12th November 2025

The aim of the workshop is to introduce parents/ carers to our phonics scheme, Little Wandle and provide support for parents/carers when reading with their children at home. The sessions will run virtually via TEAMS:

- Reception: 6pm - 6.20pm
- Y1: 6.30pm - 6.50pm
- Y2: 7pm - 7.20pm

The TEAMS link will be sent out nearer the time.



ST HELEN'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL

Reception ADMISSIONS 2026

We'd love to welcome you!
Book your place on one of our Open Morning visits to explore life at St Helen's and see our wonderful school in action.

- 25th November 2025
- 26th November 2025
- 27th November 2025
- 28th November 2025

Ofsted Outstanding Early years provider 2024

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This Week's Awards

Stars of the Week		
Reception Class RS - Theo Class RR - Joshua	Year 1 Class 1Mc - Mabel Class 1A - Autumn	Year 2 Class 2S - Kiki Class 2B - Olivia
House	This Week	This Term
St Bernadette	168	502
St Clare	187	524
St Francis	163	494
St Martin	206	**539**

Parents Association

Please register onto the platform [here](#) as this is where you will be able to find information and purchase event tickets. You can also follow us on [Facebook](#) [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#)

Please support St Helens School PTA - Brentwood on easyfundraising today - you'll raise FREE donations for us with all your online shopping. The lead up to Christmas really is the best time to sign up! Just one supporter could raise over £45 for us during the festive period - imagine what we could do : <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/sthelenspta/70vzvp/s2s/ivmwk6U/PRO84/whatsapp>

St Helen's Catholic Infant & Junior School
Make the rules day 2025

Wear Pyjama's _____

Wear a football kit/sports kit _____

Wear make-up _____

Wear face/body paint _____

Have temporary coloured or crazy hair _____

Wear large hair accessories/hats _____

Wear nail varnish or have temporary tattoos _____

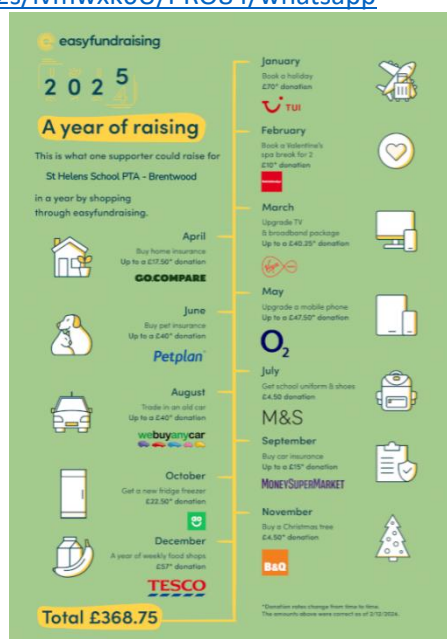
Wear a fancy dress costume _____

Wear trainers/boots/non school shoes _____

Wear casual clothes from home _____

**Make/Break the Rules Day:
Friday 17th October 2025**

**PA AGM: Wednesday 22nd
October 2025: 8pm the Junior
School.** We encourage as many parents/ carers to support our PA as possible as funds raised are crucial to the enhancement of our children's school life.



Park and Stride: William Hunter Way/ Chatham Way

Please be aware we have been reminded by Brentwood Council that all parents using the Park and Stride scheme need to also obtain a free 30 minute parking ticket from one of the machines in the car park, as well as show the Park and Stride sticker.

Safeguarding Update

To find out information on 'What is Child Abuse':

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/>



Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs C. Morris (Deputy Headteacher)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Ms A. McAuliffe (Headteacher)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs J. Seaman (EYFS Leader)

Reminders

- Next week the school dinner menu will be **Week 2**

Diary Dates

- **Friday 17th October:** Break the Rules Day: PA Event
- **Tuesday 21st October 3.30pm – 6.30pm:** Parent Consultations (on-site or telephone appointments available)
- **Wednesday 22nd October:** School Photographer
- **Wednesday 22nd October:** PA AGM
- **Thursday 23rd October:** Flu Vaccinations
- **Thursday 23rd October 3.30pm – 6.30pm:** Parent Consultations on-site or telephone appointments available)
- **Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October inclusive:** Half Term

- **Monday 3rd November:** Children return to school



God Bless all our families,

Ms A. McAuliffe

Headteacher



Artsmark
Silver Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England

