



# St Helen's Catholic Infant and Nursery School

## Newsletter

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026



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### Prayer of the Week: Class 1Mc

Heavenly Father

Thank you for dying for us to save us. Help us to be kind just as you showed us.  
Sorry for the times that we have forgotten. You taught us to be helpful and friendly.

Amen

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

**Best Attendance:  
Class 2S – 99%**

**Whole School Attendance:  
95%**

Dear families,

Welcome back to all our families and well done to all the children in Reception and Year 1 who are using 'Drop and Go' more often in the mornings. It is a great start to each day seeing children coming into school confident, independent and ready to learn. We encourage all Year 1 children to use 'Drop and Go' in the summer term as part of their transition into Year 2, where 'Drop and Go' is compulsory.

Also, as the weather warms up, it would be great to see more families walking to school/ the length of Sawyers Hall Lane to reduce congestion and pollution on Sawyers Hall Lane.

Please Note: Children can wear either summer or winter uniform until May half-term. Please see the school website for details: [Parents – Uniform information – Uniform Policy](#)

### Fundraising: CAFOD Lenten Appeal

A huge thank you for all your donations for the Cafod Lenten Appeal. The school councillors counted the money for each class and the winning class was Class RS. The total amount raised by all the classes was £371.41. This money will help communities hugely.



### Extra-Curricular Clubs: Summer Term

Information and booking details for some summer term clubs are now available on the school website: [Parents – Extra-Curricular Clubs](#).

Please note: All bookings and payments are made directly to the club provider.

Spring Term	Before School Clubs: 8am-8.45am	After School Clubs: 3.15 – 4.20pm
Monday	Ballet (Rec/Y1)	Gymnastics (Rec/Y1/ Y2)
Tuesday	Tennis (Y1/Y2)	Football (Y1/Y2 – 4.10pm finish)

<b>Wednesday</b>	Karate (Y1/2)	Street Dance (Rec/Y1/ Y2)
<b>Thursday</b>	Spanish (Rec/Y1/Y2)	Tag Rugby (Y1/ Y2)
<b>Friday</b>	Dodgeball (Rec/Y1/ Y2)	Nerf Wars Club (Rec/Y1/ Y2)

### **Diary Dates: Summer Term**

Please see the attached flyer for summer term diary dates.

Please Note:

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2026 - 2.50pm:** Class RR Liturgy, parents and carers are invited to attend.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - 2.50pm:** Class RS Liturgy, parents and carers are invited to attend.

### **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026: May Procession 2.15pm**

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May: 2.15pm, families are invited to join us for our May Procession Service. On the day, all children are encouraged to bring in a bunch of flowers to present to the statue of Mary in the peaceful garden. We look forward to sharing this event with you all.



### **This Week's Awards**

<b>Stars of the Week</b>		
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>
Class RS - Mabel Class RR – Shae-Marie	Class 1Mc - Finn Class 1A - Yuvaan	Class 2S - Zyana Class 2B - Joshua
<b>House</b>	<b>This Week</b>	<b>This Term</b>
St Bernadette	204	204
St Clare	214	214
St Francis	215	**215**
St Martin	213	213

### **Safeguarding Update**



If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact:

**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**

- The school dinner menu next week is **week 2**

### **Diary Dates**

- **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2.50pm:** RR Celebration of the Word
- **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2.50pm:** RS Celebration of the Word
- **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April:** Y2 Trip to Thriftwood
- **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May:** Doughnut Sale (PA Event)
- **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2.15pm:** May Procession

- **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May:** Half Term
- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June:** INSET Day
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Children return to school

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# WE'RE HIRING

## *Early Years*

# PRACTITIONER VACANCY

Join our friendly Early Years team as we open our brand new school-based nursery.

Term-time only  
8:15am – 3:10pm  
Pay Scale: Scale 5  
Level 3 Childcare qualification required  
Closing Date: 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026




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*St Helen's Catholic Infant and Nursery School is committed to safeguarding children. The post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.*

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God Bless all our families,

*Ms A. McAuliffe*

Headteacher



**Artsmark**  
Silver Award  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England

