



St Helen's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 23rd May 2025

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Prayer of the Week: Class 1S

Dear loving Father,
Please help us to work together as a team and to love one another.
Amen

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

**Best Attendance:
Class 2A – 99%**

**Whole School Attendance:
97%**

Dear families,

Well done to the children who joined in with the 'Walk to School Week' activity this week and shared their walking to school, they make a big difference to our environment and their own physical/mental wellbeing every day! Children have also been reminded of the simple yet profound ways we can connect with God's creation. Walking to school offers us an opportunity to slow down, take in the beauty of our surroundings, and reflect on the blessings of health, safety, and community.



Essex Teaching Awards 2025

We are delighted to inform you that Mrs Simmons has been nominated and successfully shortlisted for an Essex Teaching Award 2025 in the **Teacher of the Year in a Primary School** category. Mrs Simmons is invited to an awards ceremony in June where the winners will be announced. I'm sure you will join me in congratulating Mrs Simmons, we are all incredibly proud of her and all she does for our school.



School Uniform: Summer Uniform

Please ensure all children return to school after May half-term in summer uniform. Please see the Uniform Policy attached.

This Week's Awards

Stars of the Week		
Reception Class RS - Luca Class RR - Harley	Year 1 Class 1S - Alice Class 1Mc - Gracie	Year 2 Class 2A - Kanishka Class 2S - Ronnie Class 2B - Maya
House	This Week	This Term
St Bernadette	195	596
St Clare	169	579
St Francis	239	**645**
St Martin	209	624

St Helen's Wraparound Trip: Colchester Zoo - Monday 2nd June 2025

- Wrap Around open as usual: 7am - 6pm
- Coach leaving at 9am, returning for 4pm.
- Breakfast & Tea provided by St Helen's Wraparound.
- Bookings via Magic Booking.
- Open to any St Helen's Infant and Junior children just book via the above system.

For further information contact: Sthelenswraparound@outlook.com

Safeguarding Update

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)

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

PA News

Grand Summer Picnic: Friday 6th June 2025: 3.45pm-7pm

Father's day/special person pop up sale: Friday 13th June 2025

All events can be booked via the PA Website:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/st-helens/>



For this month only, you can raise money for our school each time you shop with Tesco:



https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/retailer/tesco-groceries/visit/?user_id=2362729&utm_source=Iterable&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tescocommunitypledge-2025&origin=TCP54

GRAND SUMMER PICNIC 6th June 3.30-7pm

At the Grand PA Summer Picnic, some of the teachers have volunteered to help raise some extra money for the school.

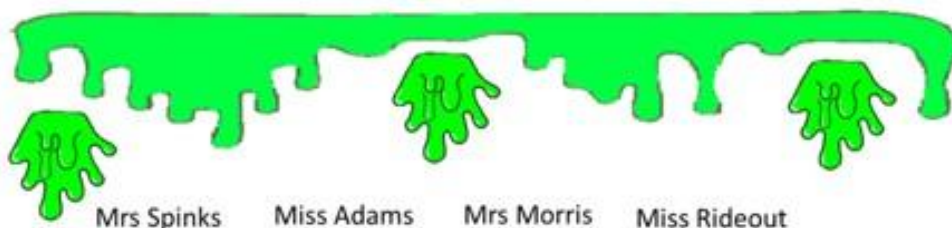
Vote for
your
favorite
teacher
to get
slimed!



How to vote: via the PTA platform, £1 per vote for the teacher you want to see get slimed, or cash donations to be dropped at the junior office, there will be bottles for you to fill, one for each teacher.

The teacher that receives the most votes by the 6th of June, will get covered in slime live at the picnic . . .

Who will you choose?



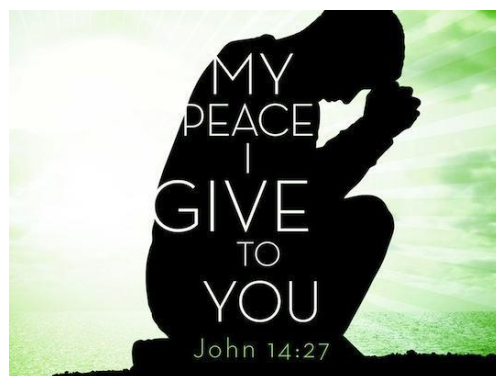
Reminders

- The menu for the first week back will be **week 3**

Diary Dates

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May: Half-Term

- Monday 2nd June:** INSET Day
- Tuesday 3rd June:** Children return to school
- Friday 6th June:** Sports Day (children to wear PE Kit to school)
- Friday 6th June:** Summer Picnic 3.45pm-7pm on Junior Field (PA Event)
- Monday 9th June:** Phonics Screening Week
- Friday 13th June:** Father's Day Pop Up Sale (PA Event)
- Monday 16th June:** Glee Club trip to Beeches Care Home
- Tuesday 17th June:** Y2 trip to Cathedral to visit the Holy Door
- Wednesday 18th June 9.30am or 5pm:** New Parents Meeting (Reception 2025-26)
- Thursday 19th June:** Rock Steady Concert for Parents/Carers of children in RockSteady
- Wednesday 2nd July 9am-9.30am:** SEND Coffee Morning for Parents/Carers of children with SEND
- Wednesday 2nd July 2.45pm – 4.15pm:** End of Year Disco for Y1 and Y2 children



God Bless all our families,

Ms A. McAuliffe

Headteacher

