St Helen Auckland Community Primary School Newsletter - November 2022

This Term's News

Thank you for your continued support, it is lovely working with parents and FOSH to provide opportunities for our children.

Children really enjoyed the Science Dome. Staff tried to take photographs inside so you could share the experience but it was too dark. It's lovely to hear lots of children excited to talk about it when they went home.

Special Events/Activities/News/Focus

Remember school is closed until Tuesday 1st November.

Important Dates

11th November Cross country – a team of children from across KS2 (Staindrop) Year 1 multi-skills 15th November (held at St Helen primary school) 14th November – anti-bullying week 18th November – Children in Need 24th November - photographs 3rd December – 10.30 Christmas Fayre (FOSH) 5th December- KS1/2 performance pm 6th December- KS1/2 performance am and pm 7th December- EYFS performance am and pm 14th December- Christmas jumper day/ Christmas dinner day **15th December Pantomime morning 19th December parties** 20th December- visit to the church time to be confirmed Information about these events will be sent nearer the time

Reminders:

- Just a reminder that if pupils are wearing earrings they should only be small studs.
- School uniform policy includes not wearing any jewellery for health and safety reasons. Also, nail varnish should not be worn in school.
- Safety in school- if someone else is collecting your child could you please let the office know before 2:45. Thank you.
- Remember we do have a breakfast club which is £1.00 per day if you would like your child to attend Reception to Year 6 just give us a call and we will add their name to the list.

Social Media

Remember to check Facebook to see what is going on in school. This is updated regularly by school staff and a member of FOSH. Any information regarding events will be sent out on Parent Mail.

Important messages

Friends of St Helen (FOSH) are always keen to see new faces. If you would be interested in getting involved please give school a ring or speak to one of our governors.

PE Times for Autumn 2

FS2 – Thursday GAGU Year 3 - Monday and Thursday Year 1 – Tuesday and Friday Year 4 –Tuesday and Wednesday Year 2 – Monday and Thursday Year 5 –Wednesday and Friday Year 6 – Swimming on Tuesday and Blast on Wednesday

Message from the Eco Council Dear parent/carer Following our meeting, we would like to announce that during the next half term we will be collecting any spare toys/books/teddies that don't get used. This is to try and reduce the number of toys that are wasted in landfill. Starting on 1 st November any unwanted toys should be brought in bags and given to the Year 6 eco members. We would ask that you wash teddies. Other toys will be washed/disinfected by the Eco council. The toys must be in good condition and working order. Please can we have donations by 25 th November so we can prepare them for the school fayre on 3 rd December.	Key Contacts Headteacher Mrs Janet Elmes Deputy Headteacher Mrs Lisa Brown Parent Support Advisor – Mrs Rachael Carroll Main office/ Number to report absences 01388 604168 St Helen Auckland Community Primary School St Helen Auckland Bishop Auckland County Durham DL14 9EN Tel: 01388 604168 www.sthelenauckland.durham.sch.uk	
Quote of the month If you have good thoughts, they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely! Roald Dahl	 2 Year old and nursery provision We have spaces in our 2's and nursery provision. This is for funded places as well as parent paid places. Funded places can be 5 sessions which is every morning/ every afternoon or all day Monday/Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Please come and have a look around and see what a lovely environment and friendly staff we have. Mrs McGeary has sent a parent mail about a sponsored read. She will give further details when we return after half term. 	
FOSH Coffee Afternoon Friday 21 st Oct from 1.30pm. Remember our coffee afternoon. This was on the last newsletter but left it on as we have any late comers. You don't have to let us know you are coming. Children are welcome to join you and can be taken home with you after you have had your coffee.	Mrs Thompson is asking if anyone has the following that they do not use anymore and would be willing to give to school:- Car mats, camouflage, army netting, non fiction books age 5	Friday 21 st Oct Halloween Disco Remember if you have booked your place, come and have some fun! Reception/ KS1 will be 3.15 until 4.15pm KS2 will be 4.30-5.30pm. KS1 pupils If you want to send a costume into school we will help get children ready and you can collect them at 4.15