St Helen Auckland Community Primary School Newsletter - February 2023

This Term's News

Year 1 have been enjoying Grab a Grown up. Thank you to all the parents who have been able to attend. Early years have stay and play/ craft sessions in February, it would be lovely to see lots of families joining us.

KS2 are enjoying taking part in our Dodgeball competition.

- 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 starts at 8am and 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.

Please remember-

We can support families with issues which extend beyond your child's education.

If you have any concerns we may be able to help with please feel free to speak to Mrs Elmes or Rachel on the gate or arrange to come in to speak to us.

Please remember –

We no longer use Parent mail for messages. This feature is available on Parent pay. If you don't have a log in can you contact the office as we will not be able to contact you using email and you will not received messages sent out from school.

School breaks up on Friday 17th Feb and returns on Monday 27th Feb.

A new date on your holiday calendar, school will be closed on Monday 8th May for the Kings coronation.

Dates to remember

Friday 3rd February – number day. Children can come into school dressed in something to do with number.

7th February is internet safety day. The theme is life on line. ALL parents are invited to an assembly presented by KS2 (yr. 3,4,5,6) on Wednesday 8th February at 2.30pm.

Thursday 9th Feb – 3.00 pm -phonics information for parents- details to follow

Tuesday 14th Feb- 11.15 a.m. children - Friday 17th Feb 2.15 p.m children – 2's and nursery stay and play

Wednesday 15th Feb 2.15 – Reception story and craft session

Health and Safety

Thank you once again for supporting us in keeping your children safe when entering and leaving school.

Children's safety is our top priority and adults need to supervise children are they come into and leave school. If you need to speak to an adult can you leave a message with staff on the gate or ring the office. If you can't leave a message someone will ask the teacher to ring you at a convenient time.

Staff are concerned that they can't properly supervise children and concentrate on messages given.

Staff on the gate are there to make sure messages are passed on.

Pre loved uniform	Key Contacts
 Please come and use our pre-loved uniform shop. We have jumpers, t shirts and trousers in there, some of them are new. We only ask for a donation into the school fund. If you are struggling for any clothes, equipment for school please come and ask as we do have links to help provide these. Everyone is finding it really hard at the moment with increasing fuel bills. Please don't worry or suffer in silence. We may be able to help or point you in the right direction for support. 	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	Maths Parents are enjoying our maths sessions on Monday mornings at 9.15. Please give us a ring if you are interested in attending Reading Thank you to staff who organised the reading workshop and parents who attended. Reading is an important part of the curriculum and we ensure children are reading to an adult at least 3 times a week. You can support us in this by listening to your child read at home and sign the booklet. Please remember the book needs to be in school every day so we can continue to read with your child.
Valentine Dance- Reception to Year 6 Tuesday 14 th February 3.15-4.15 for Rec, Yr. 1,2,3(children can come to school in party clothes) Tuesday 14 th February 4.15-5.15 for Yr 4,5,6 Tickets are £1 available through parent pay. Children will get a drink and a valentine biscuit.	 PE times FS1 – Monday pm, Wednesday am FS2 – Tuesday Year 1 – Tuesday, Thursday 9.00am (Grab a Grown up, parents can join the children for the session Year 2 – Monday and Thursday Year 3 – Thursday and Friday Year 4 – Swimming on Tuesday, Blast on Wednesday Year 5 –Tuesday and Wednesday Year 6 – Wednesday and Friday