

St Helen Auckland Community Primary

School Newsletter - January 2023

This Term's News

Hard to believe it is 2023 already, the years just fly by! Lots of exciting things taking place this year. Remember to look at the PE timetable, there have been one or two changes since December, Year 1 will be enjoying Grab a Grown up. We have an internet safety assembly and stay and play sessions for 2's nursery and reception

News

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.

Reminders:

- Just a reminder for nursery, reception and KS1, if you haven't completed your collection sheet can we have it back in school as soon as possible. If we do not have other names on the collection sheet we will assume that only the main carer will be collecting them.
- 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.

Important messages

Health and Safety

Thank you so much for your support in helping to keep your children safe when entering and leaving school. We are going to have a new gate fitted at the bottom of the steps to make the yard more secure.

Children's safety is our top priority and adults need to supervise children as they leave school. If you need to speak to the teacher can you speak to the adult on the gate to leave a message or ring the office. If you can't leave a message and need to speak to the teacher we will ask them to ring you back.

Jewellery - Please remember if children wear earrings they should be small studs which can be removed by the child or covered with plasters for PE

Internet Safety -Tuesday 7th February is internet safety day. The theme is 'life on line.'

All parents are invited to an assembly presented by KS2 (years 3,4,5,6) **Wednesday 8th Feb at 2.30**

School Day

The school day at the moment is 9.00 until 3pm. It is really important that your child is in on time or they will miss valuable learning.

We do have flexibility at the beginning and end of the day 8.50-9 and 3.00 until 3.10.

Teachers are working with children from 8.50 and until 3.10.

Schools are required, from September 2023, to provide a longer school day (32.5 hours) and the flexibility in teaching time is preparing children and staff for this change.

PE times

FS1 – Monday pm, Wednesday am

FS2 – Tuesday

Year 1 – Tuesday and 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

Pre loved uniform

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.

Key Contacts

Headteacher Mrs Janet Elmes

Deputy Headteacher Mrs Lisa Brown
Parent Support Advisor – Mrs Rachael Carroll
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Quote of the month



2-Year-old and nursery provision

Please feel free to come and have a look around our nursery provision. If you are interested in coming to look around or are interested in 2 year old or nursery place please contact our office for further details.

We now provide a breakfast club 8.00-8.50 at a cost of £1.50 and offered paid places until 4pm.



Eco Council

Eco council are still working with Hannah Turner from Oases and are working on more ideas to help our school become a green eco school.

School council

The school council are working together on ideas for our new library. We have lots of new books thanks to all of our families who took part in the Ready Steady Read.

Nursery and Reception

2's and nursery Stay and play

Tuesday 14th Feb- 11.15

Friday 17th Feb 2.15

Reception- story and Craft session

Wednesday 15th Feb 2.15

Nursery gate, nursery door and reception door will be open for you to access school

