

St Helen Auckland Community Primary

School Newsletter - May 2023

This Term's News

Its has been a busy term with lots of visitors and activities. Children really enjoyed seeing Jet and Ben and learning about how a police dog is trained.

Year 5 took part in Auckland Food festival activities and really enjoyed the science demonstrations.

We have had a visitor in school singing with a group of children, hopefully you will get a demonstration of this at the Coronation Celebrations.

Remember- If you need to speak to your child's teacher or a member of the leadership team we are always willing to have a conversation. However, we would ask that you contact the office (by phone or pop in) and they will ask the person required to ring you or organise an appointment for you to come into school.

Important Dates

May – KS1 Sats

Monday 1st May (closed) – May Day

**Tuesday 2nd May (closed) – Teachers strike,
Closed to Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 4,
Year 5, Year 6**

Friday 5th May Coronation celebrations

Monday 8th May (closed) - Coronation

Tuesday 9th May KS2 SATS week

Monday 29th May- Friday 2nd June- Half term

PLEASE NOTE

**MONDAY 5TH June Teacher
training Day**

We will be holding an open evening in June where you can speak to staff, look around your child's new class and meet their new teachers. This will also be open to any other visitors who would like to come and look around school.

Dates to follow.

PE times

FS1 – Wednesday am, Monday pm

FS2 – Tuesday

Year 1 – Thursday, Friday

Year 2 –Thursday am (Grab a Grown up, parents can join the children for the session), Wednesday

Year 3 – Wednesday and Thursday

Year 4 –Tuesday, Friday

Year 5 – Swimming Tuesday and Blast Wednesday

Year 6 – Monday and Tuesday



Friday 5th May – Coronation celebration

Thanks to Friends of St. Helen (FOSH) there will be lots of activities to take part in. We would like to invite parents/carers to attend from 1pm.



Facebook page

Lots of activities going on in school. Please remember to check our FB page.

Year 2 enjoying sporting activities



All of the children loved seeing Jet and Ben, the police dogs, and finding out more about them.

We are working on our new library.

All classes have been timetabled to spend some time in there.

It looks like they are enjoying it!

Thanks to FOSH for their contribution to making this a welcoming space.



Quote of the month

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.



Aesop

Eco Council



A huge thank you to these superstars from Year 6, who took it upon themselves all week to litter pick the school grounds. All the staff are very proud of them.

Book Swap Shop



This half term we have set up our Book Swap Shop to help people save some money. If there are any books at home your child has read and would like to exchange for something different, send it into school. The book swap shop is in the hall, simply place your donated book into the box and take one that you would like in exchange. If you have any books you don't mind donating any books to us to get it started.

Key Contacts

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Litter Picking

We received our brand-new litter picking equipment this half term. Three year six pupils have been litter picking around the school premises at break time they have collected a good amount of litter. We will soon be starting to litter pick outside the school as there is quite a lot of litter around the school grounds.

Big Battery Hunt

We have recycled over 2000 batteries this half term, with thanks to you! Don't forget to send your dead batteries into school so we can recycle them for you.

How can I reduce the number of batteries I use?

Use rechargeable batteries wherever possible or plug electrical equipment into the mains electricity.

Try to buy appliances that use renewable energy, a wind up radio or torch, dynamo bicycle lights or solar powered garden lights.

