## St Helen Auckland Community Primary Newsletter February 2024

What a lovely start to 2024 we have had in school. Lots of lovely activities and thank you to everyone for the lovely number day outfits we had.


Thank you to everyone who attended our reading café. It seemed really popular so we will be continuing this in the future


Year 5 have been to King James to learn all about becoming a mini medic. Year 2 are also going to start their own course to become a mini medic.
Year 4 have been going to King James to use their library and have a member of their staff supporting reading.

PE - next half term beginning $26^{\text {th }}$ Feb
FS1 - Wednesday
Year 1 - Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2 - Wednesday and Thursday is Grab a grown up
Year 3 - Wednesday and Friday
Year 4 Swimming on Monday and PE Thursday
Year5 - Tuesday and Thursday
Year 6 - Monday and Friday

## Upcoming dates for your diary

Tuesday $13^{\text {th }}$ Feb -Yr 3 Dance Festival (Bishop Auckland College)
Wednesday $14^{\text {th }}$ Feb - Valentine disco - details to follow
Thursday $7^{\text {th }}$ March - World book day, story in a jar competition, dress as your favourite character or in your pj's

Thursday $7^{\text {th }}$ march -9.00-9.30 Reading café please come along Friday $8^{\text {th }}$ March- Mother's Day activities in school- details to follow Friday $15^{\text {th }}$ March - red nose day

Tuesday $19^{\text {th }}$ March - parents' meetings 2pm - 5.30 (details/ invitations to follow)

Tuesday $26^{\text {th }}$ March Year 3 Tennis festival (details to follow)

# Half term -last day in school is Friday $16^{\text {th }}$ Feb and children return to school on Monday $26^{\text {th }}$ Feb. <br> Easter holidays - last day in school Wednesday $\mathbf{2 7}^{\text {th }}$ March, return on Monday $15^{\text {th }}$ April 

You will have received a parentpay message regarding children being late.
The gate opens at 8.40 and closes again at 8.55. If you child arrives after this time and staff have closed the gate you will need to bring them into reception and sign them in using the signing in system. If you take your child out for an appointment we would ask that you do the same.
This is the impact, over a school year, it can have if you child is regularly late for school.

| 5 minutes late each day $=3$ days lost $!$ |
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| 10 minutes late each day $=61 / 2$ days lost $!$ |
| 15 minutes late each day $=10$ days lost! |
| 20 minutes late each day $=13$ days lost $!$ |
| 30 minutes late each day $=19$ days lost |

