



St. Helena's Weekly Newsletter

It is our responsibility to learn and achieve our dreams as a family.

Opening minds, widening horizons and developing a better world.

Valuing Community, Compassion, Endurance, Friendship, Hope, Respect, Thankfulness, Wisdom

Dear Mums,

Happy Mother's Day!

I am going to take this opportunity to celebrate you just before Mother's Day, a group of brave, bold, beautiful people who, selflessly put their families first. I have had the privilege of chatting with many of you over the last few weeks and your wisdom, wonderful parenting ways and smiles makes me realise how lucky our children are.

For this reason, if you are able to spare an hour on a Friday afternoon, it would be lovely to get together to help each other out with the hardest job of all, parenting! Mrs Lomas has the kettle on and boxes of biscuits ready and waiting for you at the POP café!

Talking is vital for sharing and learning; it is a teaching strategy we use in every subject across the day - children need to articulate their thoughts, their understanding and their knowledge to fix it into their long term memory.

I was talking to one Mum though who was sad that her child didn't share much about their day at school. Remember school is their domain and often it is the setting where they can become independent and their own person. Wait patiently and their stories will come out at bedtime - just when you can't help and you want them asleep!

So, have a lovely day on Sunday with the family and look after yourself!

Love Mrs Belton x

Relationships, Sex and Health Education.

Miss Wickland will be talking to the Year 5 children about Relationships, Sex and Health next week. The children will be watching videos about growing up and reproduction . If you would like to see the videos before the session please speak to Miss Wickland or Mrs Belton on MONDAY. Thank you.

Spilsby Music Festival

The children will be doing an all day rehearsal during the school day at Spilsby on Tuesday 21st March. There is no cost for transport, this will be provided by the Music Festival organisers.

Children will need to wear school uniform, a coat as they will be walking between rehearsal venues, a packed lunch and plenty to drink.

PLEASE NOTE: in your child's lunch there can be NO food which may contain traces of nuts as there is a child with a very severe nut allergy—Thank you.

Please make sure the children know their words! —Thank you.

**The "PROUD" song which was performed at
Young Voices with Heather Small is now
available on Amazon for 99p.
All proceeds will go to the Children's Mental
Health Charity Place2B.**

"Power of Parenting" - POP Café

With Mrs Lomas

Every Friday in the school hall

2:15pm until the end of the school day

Come along and share stories, worries, ideas and strategies on being the best parent you possibly can be for your children, whilst enjoying a cuppa and a biscuit together.

No judgement!



Parking

Reminder, please park with consideration to the village residents.

Please do not block cars or driveways. Please do not park on both sides of the roads or on pavements.

Thank you.

Attendance between 06.03.23 and 10.03.23

St Helena's attendance for the whole school is 91.01% (Ofsted's expectation is above 94%)

28 late arrivals have been recorded this week and due to this 6 hours and 31 minutes learning time has been lost

2 children left school early this week and due to this 3 hours and 20 minutes learning time has been lost

Total learning time lost by late arrivals and early leavers = 9 hours and 51 minutes.

After School Clubs

The following after school clubs will be running next week

Monday Basketball for Years 3/4/5 & 6 with JB Sports.
Netball for Year 4, 5 and 6 with Mrs Storr.

Wednesday SATs club.

Thursday Girls football has now finished until after Easter holidays.

All clubs finish at 4:30pm.

School Association Dates for the Diary

Friday 24th March 3:30pm Easter Fair

Saturday 13th May 9am-11am Breakfast with a footballer

Thursday 27th April 3:15-5pm Film Night

Friday 16th June 7pm Pamper Night and Fashion Show

School Uniform

New School Uniform is available from Nationwide Uniform at Spilsby and pre-loved uniform is available from Alford Hub, which is opposite the butchers in Alford.

Alford Hub are always grateful for any good pre-loved uniform your children may have outgrown.



Diary Dates 2023

MARCH

21st Spilsby Music Festival Rehearsal
22nd Spilsby Music Festival
23rd Spilsby Music Festival
24th SA Easter Fair
29th Reading Café
7pm SA Meeting
31st Easter Service
End of Term 4

APRIL

17th Staff Training Day
18th School Open—Term 5
26th Reading Café
27th SA Film Night

MAY

3rd Class Photographs
8th BANK HOLIDAY-School Closed
9th-12th Year 6 SATS
13th 9am-11am SA Breakfast with Football
26th End of Term 5

Throughout the month of May Y2 assessments will be taking place.

JUNE

5th School Open—Term 6
16th SA Pamper Night & Fashion Show
Throughout the month of June Y1 Phonics assessments will be taking place.

JULY

21st End of Term 6

SEPT

6th School Opens-Term 1



School Association

The School Association would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Dickie Bows and Diamonds Disco. There was a brilliant turnout and the children had a fantastic evening of games, food and LOTS of dancing! We really love doing activities that not only raise money that goes back into the school but also includes giving the children events which are just about them. We made just over £350, all of which will go back into school to help your children learn, buy new resources/equipment and pay towards or for school visits! We could not, of course, do this without the support of you...the parents! Thank you for your ongoing support and keep an eye out for our upcoming events!

With many thanks,
April Burrell - Chairwoman



How would you like to win some cool
Lincolnshire Police goodies and a visit from
the Neighbourhood Team to your school?

We are looking for pupils in years 4 & 5 to take part in our
Summertime Policing poster competition to tell us,

**How will Police keep you safe over the
Summer..?**

The entries will be used to decorate the conference rooms at
Skegness Police Station and may even get used to create a digital
slide for our mobile screen.

There will be goody bags for 5 lucky runners up, the overall winner
will receive a special winners bag along with a visit from the
Neighbourhood Team to your school.

Entries will be collected from school on Friday the 28th of April,

Lucky winners announced by the 26th of May.





PRESENTS

EASTER IN ALFORD



FRIDAY 7TH APRIL - 10AM TIL 1PM

EASTER BUNNY HUNT

register online at **EVENTBRITE** - easter in alford - easter bunny hunt
& bring your completed hunt to the event to claim your prize

MORE INFO: WWW.ALFORD.INFO



Ticket link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/easter-in-alford-easter-bunny-hunt-tickets-545308802307>