

From Mr Chappell On Monday, we had a review visit from our CSP (Challenge School Partner) to review our provision for reading across the school, which was a really good morning with lots of positives. One thing that did hit home is our relentless desire for all our children to develop their reading skills from their starting point and have a passion for reading. Dave Smith, our challenge partner said that we have some really good systems in school and can tell that the teaching of reading is good but one thing for us to try and develop is the feeling that our school is one, where our children have a real passion for developing their pleasure for reading. This is certainly something for us to target and will make up some of our SDP (school development plan) targets next year as we build on the new library opening. I used to have a saying in my classes '*Reading is the Key*' and this is a vision that we want for all our children (and parents/carers) to develop. Have a great weekend- share a book, read together and see you at the Summer Fair.

Staff Update: We are delighted to be able to share our staffing structure for the next academic year. Over the next few weeks staff will be working with each other closely on different tasks so that we can have a very thorough transition to share with each other all about the children in our current classes. This process has started already this week when in our staff meeting we looked at and shared each others writing – moderating the standard of writing, getting to know the standard of writing in some of our new classes.

Cherry Class EYFS	Miss Fletcher
Holly Class Year 1	Miss Paul
Beech Class Year 2	Miss Pearce: Monday, Tuesday Miss Hurd: Wednesday ,Thursday, Friday
Oak Class Year 3	Mr Daniels
Ash Class Year 4	Mr Adams: Monday, Tuesday Wednesday, Thursday Mr Chappell: Friday
Sycamore Class Year 5	Mrs Hardy: Monday Tuesday Miss Adams: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Elm Class Year 6	Mr Leeming

As you can see there are some very slight changes to the staffing structure and a number of job shares which are currently already in school. I will also be teaching one day a week alongside Mr Adams whilst we are still working on our TA deployment structure so will communicate this when we can. We were delighted that recently Mr Daniels was successful in becoming a permanent member of staff, after recently covering one of our many maternity leaves. Although the structure of the staffing team is a good time to share, it is also tinged with some sadness. Mrs Boffin's time with us will come to an end. Over her time at St.Helen's Mrs Boffin, has predominately been in EYFS as the class teacher and over the years has decided to reduce her role. This year she has been working one day a week covering PPA and ECT (Early careers Teaching non -contact time) and now currently working for two days a week in Year 2. She has had a tremendous impact on many children and families over the many years she has been here and although we will be saying good bye to seeing her weekly in her role, I am sure it is not the last time we will see her at St.Helen's in another capacity of some sort.

Reminder that the **FOSH Summer Fair** is taking place this **Saturday 24th June 12 pm to 4 pm**. Once again a huge thank you to all the FOSH members who work so hard to put on the different events to enable us to provide resources and equipment for all our children. We can't wait for tomorrow's Summer Fair and the animal theme of 'Be Wild'. Please spread the word about this amazing day! It is not too late to help and volunteer- if there is anyone who can help on the day, please make sure you get in contact! There are some amazing prizes as part of the raffle.

Message from FOSH: Summer Raffle - we have had such amazing support from local businesses and individuals, so we have a bumper crop of prizes. With something for everyone to enjoy, from deluxe afternoon cream teas, family days out, gym passes, bottles of wine and more...Please do take a look at our wonderful prizes and PLEASE share



this link far and wide with your friends and families. As they say 'you've got to be in it, to win it!' Click on the link below to enter the raffle.

https://raffall.com/340824/enter-raffle-to-win-fosh-summer-draw-hosted-by-frankie-hunt?fbclid=IwAR3Xe3QRlquMzcEaATgP6SbhngiQ65XclXXSn7P65GghJmXTHceiUcwBF8M_aem_th_AZpNf89A5JiVcmgEjyS-rqpBrAsoACTcrAFzwhbYNU9S4pAqoov_AuX_o3VyEs6BSs

Sports Day: A reminder that on Thursday July 6th July will be the schools sports day!

KS1 Sports Day will start at 9:20am and KS2 will start from approximately 10:45am. FOSH will be selling refreshments on the day. As in previous years the children will be positioned by the muga with chairs for spectators in the middle of the oval track. Please do not encroach on the finishing line which will be manned by children from Marlwood Secondary school and in no circumstances can you cross the track to talk to children. Likewise please note that there are no toilet facilities for you to use on this day.

Strike Days: Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July. Please note the date of the new NEU strike days. As these dates have been given to us at very short notice please note it is very likely that we may need to close the school on both of these days. Like in previous occasions we will write to you and let you know if we are closed due to lack of capacity, as soon as we can.

Glos CCC County Final: Good luck to the Year 5 and 6 school cricket team who today play in the County Finals. In previous years we have lost in the semi-finals and even last year lost in the final! Can the team go one better and win the county final for the first time ever!? Let's hope so!

Dates for your diaries: One of the suggestions made in the parent/carers survey was more notice on forthcoming dates. Please see below some key dates over the next term and beyond.



Saturday 24 th June	FOSH Summer Fair 12pm to 4pm.
Thursday 6 th July	Sports Day KS1 9:20am to 10:30am approx KS2 10:45am to 12pm approx
Friday 7 th July	Sports Day reserve day in case of bad weather.
Weds July 12 th	Year 5 and 6 production – Hoodwinked 2pm
Thurs July 13 th	Year 5 and 6 production – Hoodwinked 6pm
Friday 14 th July	FOSH End of Year Discos
Tuesday 18 th July	End of year reports to parents.
Friday 21 st July	2pm – 3pm Year 6 Leavers Service to Parents/Carers in Church Year 6 Parents/Carers only.
Friday 21 st July	Last Day of Term.
Monday 4 th September	First day of the new academic year 2023-24 – 100% attendance on this day is expected.

Please note the Inset days for the next academic year 2023-24.

Friday 1st Sept 2023
Monday 27th November 2023
Friday 15th March 2024
Monday 22nd July 2024
Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Well done to those children who were awarded a certificate and awards today and last term.

Cherry Class – Lakshan, Lili, Emily, Prithvika.

Holly class – Martha, Ed, Hallie, Molly

Beech class – Rosa, Zara, Helen, Harrison

Oak class – Oliver, James, Everly, Dougie

Ash Class – Emily, Harry, Michael, Bear

Sycamore class – Rose, Amber, Charlotte, Zack

Elm class – Sophia, Martha



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