

From Mr Chappell: Although it is my final newsletter there isn't a lot for me to say, as everything I wanted to express about this amazing community was shared as sincerely as I could in yesterday's letter to parents and carers. Therefore, quite simply – **thank you for everything!** It has been a privilege, and I have been so proud to be part of the St. Helen's community and have lots of amazing memories to take away with me. Have a wonderful summer.

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Year 6: A huge thank you, good luck and good-bye, to all our incredible Year 6 children! You have been an amazing year group! You have been amazing all year! You've all made fantastic progress (see results below), and time and time again you have represented our school with excellence on so many different occasions. You've followed our school values every single day and **quite simply - you have been brilliant!** Today, in church we said our goodbyes with a wonderful leaver's service, followed by our unique St Helen's tradition of 'Flying High' of leaving through the front door, a symbolic and special send-off. Each and every single one of you will be missed! To all parents/carers thank you for your amazing support throughout years! The best compliment I can pay you is that I hope my new Year 6's are just like you! Thank you.



Year 6 SATs results 2026:

As we do every year we wanted to share the great attainment of our year 6's - every single one of them has been brilliant! You may have seen that there was an issue on returning SATs results back to school this year and we literally heard their results yesterday. A huge well done to Mr Leeming and Mrs Woolford for all their hard work with the Year 6's this year and the contribution of all previous teachers, and of course the children themselves and you as parents. Our results shows that:

	Reading	Writing (TA)	Maths	SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)
Year 6 SATs School	EXS = 89% GDS = 33%	EXS = 78% GDS = 22 %	EXS = 85% GDS = 41%	EXS = 85% GDS= 44%
National Averages	EXS= 75%	EXS= 73%	EXS= 75%	EXS= 74%

EXS = Expected Standard GDS= Greater Depth above the Expected Standard.

As you can see from the data above, as a school for Year 6 SATs we continue to be significantly above national averages, which is a great achievement. Indeed, Maths GDS is one of our best ever! Thank you for your continued support, Year 6 parents/carers, and a huge well done to all children that did their best and have all made tremendous progress from their starting points. Indeed, across all year groups, there have been huge successes, and we know that **ALL children whatever their final achievements**, have tried their best. This is all that we ask for, that children try their best and aim to be Flying High.

Safeguarding over the summer:

Our greatest priority is to always ensure the safety, well-being and happiness of all our children. The safeguarding of all our children remains our number one priority always even over the summer holidays. If you have any safeguarding concerns regarding our children, even over the summer holidays, please contact us as a matter of urgency via the school email which is regularly checked. As you know I am the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) (Mr Chappell) and Mrs Simpson and Mr Leeming DDSL (Deputy Safeguarding Leads) I am still in post to 31st August so, if anything arises, please feel free to contact me. We are always contactable via the school email sthelensprimary@gmail.org.uk

South Gloucestershire Council's Safeguarding Access and Response Team (ART) is also available to report concerns about a child: 01454 866000 Monday to Thursday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm (4.30 on Friday) and 01454 615165 out of hours and at weekends

Key Dates:	
Inset Day:	Tuesday 1 st September 2026

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