



From Mr Chappell

Once again walking around the school corridors, it has been so nice to hear and see all the great enthusiasm that children have been putting into their learning. As we edge ever closer to the summer holidays, it has also been great to see some of the work that has been posted on Tapestry and Class Dojo by those children who are continuing to work really hard at home. Well done everybody!

As you may have seen or heard, at the end of the last week the government released guidance to schools about planning for September. As I've previously mentioned, we have, as a partnership Health and Safety committee, been meeting every fortnight to review our current systems in school. Yesterday we met again, and we hope to write to you with our thoughts and plans about September by Monday 20th July. The final newsletter of the year will be sent next Thursday.

Have a great weekend.

Reports: In recognition of all the children's hard work, within school and outside school during the lockdown, teachers have worked incredibly hard over the last few weeks to develop a school report for every single child. We have thought very carefully about what is presented in the reports and, in line with Government guidance about 'reporting to parents' in the current climate, we have decided to continue to send out reports in a similar format to previous years. For those children who have not been able to get back into school, teachers have written comments based on the children's work over the first four terms and, alongside this, we will report on children's assessment up to the end of Term 3, which was our last collected data point. Please note we are not predicting where children would have been at the end of the year but have decided to report the most accurate assessment data that we have, based carefully on concepts that the children have covered in school. For those children who have been able to return to school since the opening weeks of June, assessments will be based on information up to the end of Term 3 and any other assessment information teachers may have gathered over the last month or so. More information about this system will be provided in the letter accompanying your child's report.

Collection of reports – Wednesday 15th July

The vast majority of reports will be able to go home with children who are currently in school or with siblings who are in school. We have thought carefully about other means to let you have the reports, such as emailing or posting, but have decided that the best way will be for parents and carers to collect them, following social distancing protocols. We can then also let you have other things, such as PE kit, which may still be in school and also some curriculum books. The parents of children in each year group have been allocated a time to arrive at school and, following our current one way system and maintaining social distancing protocols, you will be able to come onto the school playground to pick up your child's report. If it is raining we will use the covered area.

Collection times – Wednesday 15 th July	
Year 5 children: 1pm- 1:20pm	Year 4 children: 1:30pm – 1:50pm
Year 3 children: 2pm to 2:20pm	Year 2 children 2:30pm to 2:50pm

For the small number of children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 who are not currently attending school, the collection time is **1pm on Thursday 16th July.**

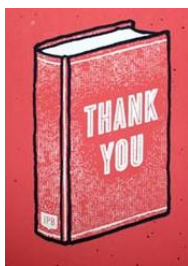
Please note that we will not allow other parents to collect reports on your behalf.

St Helen's Virtual Sports Week

A huge thank you to Mrs Boffin for organising our first ever virtual Sports week! It has been great this week to see so many children enthused in the sporting activities that they have been participating in. I have heard and seen some amazing achievements, with some children in Year 1 even telling me that they had broken the world record for long jump! The enthusiasm that they have shown for the different activities has been great, and although we couldn't hold a full sports day, hopefully the children still had fun! Well done to everybody who participated in school and those who took part in different challenges at home.

Help us to start September with some refreshed reading corners!

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the annual St Helen's Summer Fair will not be able to take place this year. Together with the Friends of St Helen's, we've come up with an alternative way for families, friends and neighbours to support the work of the school, by buying a book or two from one of our Wishlists on Amazon. The teachers have compiled a list of books that they would love to have in their book corners. These books cover reading for pleasure, but also some will support our global curriculum and so contain books that tackle issues such as identity, diversity and the environment too. You might want to buy a book for the class that your child/ren will be in next year, or a book for the class that they are in this year, or just go for a book that you like the look of! The office staff have also created a 'wishlist' of equipment that we will be needing for the next academic year and Miss Kitching and Jo Bushell, our artist in residence, have created a 'wishlist' of some art supplies that would enable us to continue developing Art in school next year.



If you feel able to support us in this way, please use this link to take you to the school's Amazon wishlist which can be found on our website.

<http://www.sthelensprimaryalveston.org.uk/wishlists/>

THANK-YOU! We have already started to receive some of the really generous donations of books from parents (see photo above). These will be grouped per class and handed over to class teachers ready for September!

INSET days 2020/21

Please find below the Inset Days for the next academic year.

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Friday 4th December 2020

Monday 15th March 2021

Friday 2nd July 2021

Partnership assemblies: Don't forget to check out the Partnership's YouTube Page. These come out on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8am. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXhs6M7J3aPHn8iwOhjUE6Q>
Also look out for Jo, our artist in residence 'Lockdown Art Challenge.' <https://youtu.be/VrHZ2fZPK9U>

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns, contact the school or South Gloucestershire's Access and Response Team. Our greatest priority is to always ensure the safety, well-being and happiness of all our children. During school closure, the safeguarding of all our children remains our number one priority Mr Chappell is the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and Mr Spens is Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL). We are contactable at all times via the school email: sthelensprimary@sgmail.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.

Congratulations to all those children who have received school certificates in our class bubbles.

EYFS Bubble A: James and Avah-Grace

EYFS Bubble B: Everly and Isabelle

Year 1 Bubble A: Harry C

Year 1 Bubble B: James B

Year 6 Bubble A: Isla and Katie T

Year 6 Bubble B: Neve

Keyworker children Bubble: Evie R

