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St Helens Business Awards

St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary School were in the top three schools in the Business Award 'Skills of the Future'.

Last night school staff attended the ceremony at the Totally Wicked Stadium to receive the award which is now displayed in our school entrance.



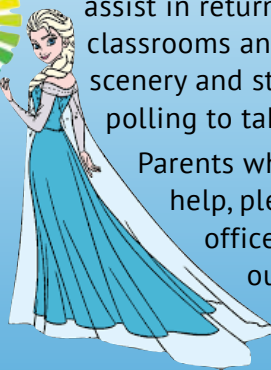
Other schools chosen were St Cuthbert's Catholic High School and Carmel College. St Cuthbert's won the category on the night and many congratulations go to their staff and children.

Pre-Polling Day Team

Our juniors will be performing The Snow Queen in the hall on the Wednesday evening before the general election.

The hall needs converting afterwards from an 'Ice Palace in a Snow Storm' to a polling station, ready for 6am on the Thursday morning!

We would really appreciate the help of some parents who would be able to stay after the Wednesday performance to assist in returning 200 chairs to classrooms and take down some scenery and staging to allow polling to take place.



Parents who are able to help, please let the school office know to improve our planning.

Many thanks.

Parent Meeting

St Helens Drug and Alcohol Support group are offering an information for parents evening on Thursday 14th November 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Please book a place by ringing 01744 675605.

The course will be informal and relaxed offering parents advice about how to speak to their children about drugs and alcohol.

Archdiocesan Visit

Three inspectors visited on Tuesday to look at the Catholic Life, Religious Education and Collective Worship we offer.

Staff and children made them very welcome and some fabulous comments were delivered to leaders and governors at the end of the day. A full report will be available in the coming weeks.

★	% Attendance	Number of Lates	Star of the week	Good Manners
Reception	98.6	2	-	-
Year 1	93.0	1	Jack	Freya
Year 2	93.1	1	Heidi	Jack
Year 3	94.4	2	Arly	Lexie
Year 4	97.6	0	Kai-John	Abbie
Year 5	88.3	2	Jacob/Emma	Noah
Year 6	93.8	1	Jack	Isabel

Dementia Friendly Carol Service

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon has sent an invitation to come to a carol service at the metropolitan cathedral on Thursday 19th December at 2pm.



The service is specially designed for people living with dementia and all will be warmly welcomed. Save the date if you would like to attend.

Parents attending may take their children from school at lunchtime if they want them to travel with a relative who would benefit from this event.

Snow White Pantomime



Many thanks to all our fundraising friends who paid for a pantomime for all the children today. Snow White was fabulous and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

There is a meeting next Wednesday, 13th November, at 6pm for any parents, grandparents or friends of the school who would like to help plan and run the Christmas Fair. Please come along if you can.

Sporting Update



Year 6 swimming lessons start next Friday afternoon. Please remember costumes and towels.

Forty Year 5 and 6 children took part in St Helens Primary School Sports Day today and performed brilliantly.

Our girls football teams will start competing against other schools from next week. Best wishes to them.

Pop-Up Café

Next Friday, 18th October is our next Pop-Up Café at 9.05am for parents and grandparents. Babies and pre-schoolers are welcome: there are lots of activities for them!



Christmas Dates Changes

Carols by Candlelight will now take place on Monday 16th December in church at 7pm and the Infant Nativity will take place on the afternoon of the 3rd December and the evening of the 4th December.



Changes are due to our wonderful choir being asked to sing at The Parish Church on 5th December.

Our Christmas Bingo has to move to Wednesday 18th December, due to polling for the general election taking place in our school hall.



House points	previous total for this half-term	points this week	new half-term total
Matthew	0	230	230
Mark	0	194	194
Luke	0	140	140
John	0	229	229

Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th November

- Year 6 Remembrance Assembly 3pm all welcome

Wednesday 13th November

- Fundraising meeting 6pm

Thursday 14th November

- Artist in residence working with Year 3 designing and making chandeliers from recycled materials

Friday 15th November

- Own clothes day for bottles

Wednesday 20th November

- Rock Concert in school hall 9.30am, families welcome

Friday 22nd November

- Own clothes for chocolates and sweets

Thursday 28th November

- Christmas Fair 6pm

Friday 29th November

- Advent Assembly Year 4 at 3pm. Families welcome

Tuesday 3rd December

- Infant Nativity matinee

Wednesday 4th December

- Infant Nativity evening performance

Wednesday 11th December

- The Snow Queen - all juniors 2pm and 7pm

Thursday 12th December

- Polling Day - school is open!
Hot dinners delivered to classrooms:
turkey dinosaurs, chips, cookies and juice

- Christmas Sing Performance at Parish Church
- Cathedral visit for 40 junior children

Monday 16th December

- Carols by Candlelight in church 7pm: choir, readers and ballet performances, all welcome

Wednesday 18th December

- Party Day
- Christmas Bingo 6pm

Thursday 19th December

- Breakfast with Father Christmas 8am: book in advance please so we know numbers for catering
- Christmas Dinner 12 noon
- Christmas Film afternoon

Friday 20th December

- Mass 9.15am School finishes at 1.30pm

Cuddly Toy Tombola

Pre-loved cuddly toys should be sent to school before the Christmas Fair to be washed and spruced up for our cuddly toy stall.