St Helen Auckland Community Primary

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Newsletter

'Where learning is a lifelong adventure'

Dates for your diary

Last Day of Term Friday 24th October - return Monday 3rdNovember
Parents meetings – 4th November
Anti bullying week – week beginning 10th November
Children in Need – 14th November – dressing up in CIN merchandise or bright colours
Christmas performances – EYFS – Monday 15th December 9.30
KS1/KS2Monday 15th December pm
Tuesday 16th KS1/KS2 December am and pm
Christmas lunch 17th December
EYFS/ KS 1 party Thursday 18th December
KS2 party Friday 19th December

End of term Friday 19th December return on Tuesday 6th January

New PE timetable for next half term September

Rec - Friday

Year 1 – Monday, Thursday

Year 2 – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

Year 3 – Thursday, Friday

Year 4 – Wednesday, Thursday

Year 5 - Tuesday, Thursday

Year 6 - Monday swimming, Wednesday PE

Children can come to school dress in School PE kit or can bring it with them to get changed.

This must be school PE kit and children must have suitable footwear

School uniform- the children look so smart in their school uniform and I know it helps getting them ready on a morning. We want to see everyone in unform so we ask that children wear either:-

White or red polo shirt Red school jumper/cardigan Black or grey trousers/skirt Black/Dark shoes or trainers

For Health and Safety reasons children should not wear jewellery, false nails or footwear that is not suitable for children to run around outside.

Please ensure children's names are in all clothing for school.

الإقراقي **Attendance Incentive Scheme** Our attendance continues to be an issue. We understand sometimes you may have problems getting children to school or getting here on time. Please speak to us and we can work on this together. We aim for every class to achieve over 96% attendance each term. To support this, we're continuing our attendance reward system to encourage regular school attendance. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring your child attends school every day unless they are unwell or have a medical appointment. Thank you for helping us promote good attendance and a positive learning environment! Autumn 1 half term class attendance was as follows: -

Reception - 92.6%

Year 1 - 90.7%

Year 2 - 92.4%

Year 3 - 97.7%

Year 4 - 90.6%

Year 5 - 94.5%

Year 6 - 89.6%

Government guidelines requires at least 96% attendance. Any attendance figures are sent to the education dept and they can issue fines. After 10 unauthorised attendances in any 10 week period parents can be fined.

Well done year 3 our only class above 96%. Year 5 you are nearly there!!

Wrap around care

We have sent out a forms questionnaire regarding wrap around care. We have approached an outside agency who work in one of our trust schools and they are interested in providing this service, if there is an interest. Please remember to complete the form if you are interested.

Why Breakfast Club is Beneficial for Children

Breakfast Club - Price Update

We would like to remind you that our Breakfast Club runs every day and has previously been kept at the low cost of £1.00 per day for a considerable time. However, as with many services, rising costs are having an impact, and our school continues to heavily subsidise the running of Breakfast Club.

To help cover some of these increasing expenses, the Governing Body has agreed that the daily cost of Breakfast Club will increase from £1.00 to £1.50. We have held off making this change for as long as possible, but the new price will take effect from November, when children return to school.

We remain committed to providing a high-quality, affordable service for our families and we appreciate your understanding and continued support.

Attending breakfast club can offer a great start to the day for primary school children. Here are some of the key benefits:

الإفراق 1. A Nutritious Start Children receive a healthy breakfast, which helps with concentration, energy levels, and overall wellbeing throughout the school day. 2. Improved Punctuality and Attendance Breakfast clubs encourage a good morning routine, helping children arrive at school on time and ready to learn. 3. Supports Learning A full stomach and a calm start to the day can lead to better focus in lessons and improved academic performance. 4. Positive Social Time Children can spend time with friends in a relaxed setting, helping to build social skills and confidence. 5. Reduced Morning Stress for Families For busy parents and carers, breakfast club can ease the pressure of the morning Breakfast club starts at 8am. If you would like your child to attend please just ring the office and they will be added to the list. **Safeguarding** Keeping children safe from harm is our number one priority. We will always act upon any concerns individuals have, or any disclosures from children. However, if you have any concerns outside of school, or if you have a concern about a child or young person's welfare, it is essential that you call First Contact on: 03000 267979. Every child is a different kind of flower, and altogether make this world a beautiful garden. As always, if there is anything at all you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you have any concerns about a childs safety our Designated Safeguarding lead in Mrs Elmes. Deputy Safeguarding leads are Mrs Brown and Miss Parker