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From Mr Spens:

We are racing towards the end of the year and there has been so much going on at St Helen's! Last week, our Reception class visited Avon Valley Country Park and had a fantastic time there. Our Year 5's and 6's are busy preparing for their end of year play and across the school everybody is working so hard, despite the heat! I've had a stream of visitors to my office this week showing off amazing learning, which is fantastic!

Moving up Monday

On Monday 9th July, we'll be holding our 'Moving up' afternoon, where our children will have an opportunity to spend some time in their new classroom and meet their new teacher.

Lost Property

Over the next few weeks, there will be an opportunity to rummage through the lost property which will be laid out in the covered area outside of Year 6. Look out for text messages announcing the days that this will take place.

Summer Fair

A big thank you from FoSH for making our Summer Fair such a success and helping to raise £2,600.



Wrong Trousers Day

Thank you for supporting Wrong Trousers Day; we raised £192 for Bristol Children's Hospital.

Reception Class Visit to Avon Valley Country Park

The children had a fantastic time on their first school trip! They went on a beautiful nature walk, did some pond dipping, represented animals through art and even had time to watch pig racing! The children were such a credit to the school, they were so well behaved and coped brilliantly with the really hot weather. Many thanks to our adult helpers who helped make the day special.

The 2nd Annual Arthur Gardiner Cup!

Yesterday, we held the second ever Arthur Gardiner Cup on the MUGA. This year five local schools took part: St Peter's, Almondsbury, Severn Beach, Olveston and ourselves. It was a closely fought competition and St Helen's entered two teams who each did incredibly well in the competition.

The tournament built up to a big final match, where St Helen's took on St Peter's. In a close encounter, St Helen's ended up the winners of the competition after a fantastic strike from Jackson (Y6) saw them winning the final 1-0.

St Helen's have brought the Arthur Gardiner trophy back home where it belongs. It's over to England now to do the same!

FoSH School Disco and Year 6 Leavers' Party Monday 16th July 2018

Reception & KS1: 6pm - 7pm KS2: 7.15pm – 8.15pm.

£3 entry per child includes drinks, a bag of sweets and glo sticks.





The Year 6 Leavers' Party will take place from 6pm to 7pm during the KS1 disco.

Please note that, as per school policy, children should NOT bring mobile telephones to the Disco. The children will need to be checked in at the door and will be checked out at the end from the Hall.

Diary Dates

Monday 16th July – FoSH School Disco (see overleaf for details)

Tuesday 17th July – Winning House trip to Axis Trampoline Club

Wednesday 18th July – Bug Day in Reception class & parents visiting at 3.30pm - Please note this is a change of date

Wednesday 18th July - Trip to Clifton Suspension Bridge (Years 3 & 4)

Wednesday 18th July – Daniel, A Hard Act to Swallow, 2pm (Years 5 & 6)

Thursday 19th July – Daniel, A Hard Act to Swallow, 7pm (Years 5 & 6)

Friday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers' Service (9:30am)

INSET Days for 2018-19

We have now set our 5 INSET days for the 2018/19 academic year. These will take place on:

Monday 3rd September 2018 Monday 11th March 2019 Tuesday 4th September 2018 Monday 3rd June 2019

Monday 7th January 2019

Out of school achievements

Imogen F in Cherry class has achieved the Stage 1 swimming award.

- Emelia in Holly class has achieved the 15 metres distance swimming award.
- Evie in Cherry class has achieved the 15 metres distance swimming award

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Cherry Class - Amelia, Ava, Zack and Imogen F Holly Class – Liam, Katlyn, Harry, Cerys and Huw

Beech Class – Bede, Aliona, Alfie and Harry M Oak Class – Yasmin, Max M, Lola and Max C Ash Class - Summer, Joe, Lilie and Joshua D Sycamore Class – Josh, Logan, Ruby and Lily

Elm Class - Sophie, Rhonaugh, Jackson and Sidonie

Attendance Update:

Congratulations to Year 6, Elm Class, whose attendance for this week was 98.7% Congratulations to Year 3, Oak Class, whose attendance for last week was 100%

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2018

mischief-makers.org.uk

Our local library team have been telling children how to take part in Mischief Makers, this year's Summer Reading Challenge.

The children will tell you all about it! All they have to do is read SIX library books and visit the library regularly over the summer, collecting special stickers and incentives along the way.

Please encourage your children to visit the library and sign up so you can see the difference the Summer Reading Challenge makes to their reading.

PLUS Find out about FREE Fizz Pop Science workshops and fun craft activities at www.southglos.gov.uk/childrenslibrary.

Join Mischief Makers at any library during staffed opening hours. All libraries staffed days and hours changed in October 2017 –

find our new ones at www.southglos.gov.uk/libraries.







IT'S FUN!

IT'S FREE!

IT'S LOCAL!