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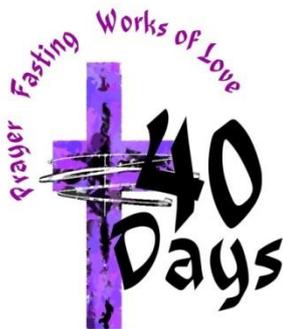
Dear Parents

3 March 2017

As always we are delighted to share our good news stories of the great achievements of the children.

Thought for the week

As we begin our Lenten journey to ask the Lord to help us grow closer to him through our fasting, praying and works of love.



God, heavenly Father, look upon me and hear my prayer during this holy Season of Lent.

By the good works you inspire, help me to discipline my body and to be renewed in spirit.

Send your Spirit to make me strong in faith and active in good works.

Amen

Dates for your diaries !

March

- 7 School photos being taken
- 8 Book swap day
Assembly - 9.00 - 4Y
- 9 Mass - 9.15am - 5B
- 10 French school to visit St Helen's
Assembly - 9.00am - RY
- 16 Mass 9.15am - 5Y
- 17 Next newsletter

Highlights

On Friday 10 January we held our annual French day. Children enjoyed class activities to find out about countries where French is spoken; sang songs; spoke French and visited the "French market" to taste French food



Our Shakespeare focus has continued with children from Year 1 to year 6 building on their workshop knowledge and improving their vocabulary and writing.



During our Shakespeare focus children are also enjoying weekly peer reading sessions with older children sharing stories with younger children.



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Continuing with our school theme of enjoying and loving reading teachers read their favourite story to children.



Please remember you can encourage your children to read and buy books at www.wordery.com/sthelens

A group of year 5 children attended an RE conference to discuss tolerance with children from other schools.



We are trying to encourage our younger children to eat a balanced and healthy diet, and to use their knife and fork correctly.

The children in Year 5 have been helping the Reception children.



It has been wonderful to see the Reception children eating more and the older children chatting to them.

We plan to continue and develop this scheme to make lunchtime a really enjoyable experience.

On Tuesday 28 February, representatives from the Mini Vinnies joined with children from other Newham Deanery schools to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary and St Dominic Church in Haverstock Hill. The church is now a national Rosary shrine.



Fr Thomas celebrated mass with children and they visited chapels dedicated to each mystery. The children were also inspired to hear about work of the Mini Vinnies in the other schools.

Reminders

Our website contains a wealth of information about St Helen's, including key policies, for example

Anti-bullying
Child Protection

We celebrate events and class activities and share all newsletters.

We would welcome your thoughts and comments on our guest book and on Parent View:

<http://www.st-helens.newham.sch.uk/6-376678sthg32-3678/default.asp>

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