



"Guided by the light of Christ, we grow, learn and shine together."

Friday, 16th October 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

As we approach the final week of this half term, I would like to congratulate all our pupils for settling into school so well. It has been wonderful to see all the new learning

Attendance, including punctuality, continues to be a big focus for us this year. This first half term's attendance figure is lower than our target, so I am asking everyone to take responsibility and help us improve our overall attendance. It is essential that your child is in school and learning alongside their peers, so that they have a happy and enjoyable school experience.

This week we again opened our doors to prospective parents on our open days, and it was lovely to showcase all the wonderful things happening in school.

We have also had some rather unusual visitors this week! Our scarecrow competition has certainly gained momentum, and some of the designs have been extraordinary. A huge thank you to everyone who took part. The designs will be shared early next week and sent out for voting.

Next week we have a lot to look forward to, particularly our Halloween disco on Thursday, followed by our Harvest Festival on Friday for Year 1 and Year 2. We will be collecting food products for our harvest festival, with all donations going to St Helens foodbank.

Have a lovely weekend, everyone.

Mr Hale

Weekly Attendance Award

Congratulations to our Y1 class who received the Attendance Award again this week. Well done and thank you to those pupils and parents. You recorded a fantastic 100% attendance!!

Weekly Awards

Class	Star of the Week	Values	Recognition
R	Melody	Emile	Patrick
Y1	Ada	Elsie	George S
Y2	Ben M	Alice	Ameya
Y3	Arabella	Tate	Belle
Y4	Bessie	Zara	Ruby
Y5	Elise	James	Zach
Y6	Lucy	Christopher	Isobel

Dates for Your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Event Information</u>
19.10.2026	Harvest Festival Celebration Week	
22.10.2026	Halloween Disco	See details below
23.10.2026	Y1 and Y1 Harvest Festival Assembly	9am School Hall
9.11.2026	Anti-Bullying Week	
18.11.2026	Cinema Trip. Reception – Y6	9am
23.11.2026	Book Fair	Mon, Tue, Wed 3.15pm
9.12.2026	Nativity Play Rec/Y1/Y2	9.30am
10.12.2026	Nativity Play Rec/Y1/Y2	9.30am
10.12.2026	Christmas Jumper Day	
16.12.2026	Carol Concert	9.30am and 3.45pm
16.12.2026	Christmas Party Day	

Y1 and Y2 Harvest Festival Assembly

On Friday, 23rd October at 9am, parents of our Y1 and Y2 classes are invited into school to celebrate Harvest Festival with an assembly.

This will be held in the school hall.

Y3 and Y4 Afterschool Football Club

This is a reminder that there will be no Football Club on Thursday, 22nd October due to us holding the Halloween Disco.

The club **will not** continue next half term; the plans are to start again after the February half term.

Thank you

Poppy Appeal

Our annual **Poppy Appeal** in support of the Royal British Legion will begin next week. Our Year 6 pupils will be visiting each class to sell a variety of poppy-themed products, with a minimum donation of £1 per item. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to show our support for the Armed Forces community and remember those who have served and sacrificed for our country. Thank you for your support!



Santa Dash 2026

A poster for the St. Helens Santa Dash 2026. The background is light blue with white snowflake patterns. At the top left is a Santa hat icon. The title "St. Helens Santa Dash" is in a large, red, handwritten-style font. Below it, the date "Sunday 29th November" and "11.00am start At the BrewDog Stadium" are in a dark blue sans-serif font. On the right is the Willowbrook Hospice logo, which is a circular emblem with a blue bird and the text "WILLOWBROOK HOSPICE" and "Every Contact Counts". There are four circular photos: one of a man in a Santa suit holding a medal, one of a family in Santa suits, one of a group of people with a dog in a Santa suit, and one of a group of people running in a race. The ticket prices "Adult €10, Child €5, Family of 4 €20" are written in a red, handwritten-style font. At the bottom left, it says "In partnership with St. Helens R.F.C." in red. At the bottom right, it says "BOOK HERE:" above a QR code. The bottom of the poster features three logos: the Fundraising Regulator (FR) logo, the KCC (Knowsley Community College) logo, and the St Helens College logo. The Willowbrook Hospice logo is also repeated at the bottom right with the website "www.willowbrook.org.uk" and the tagline "Every Contact Counts".



Children in EYFS/KS1 who will be attending the disco may come into school dressed in their Halloween outfits. KS2 children attending the disco must come to school in their school uniform as they will be going home to get changed.

Halloween Disco Tuck Shop

We will be selling sweets, extra drinks, crisps and extra hot dogs on Thursday.

Sweets 20p per pack

Crisps 50p per pack

Fruit Shoots £1 each

Extra Hotdogs 50p each

Cash only please and it would really help us out if you sent in lots of change as opposed to notes!

Thank you

Afterschool Club Bookings

We are now able to remove the limit we had applied to our Friday After School Club. If you wish to book your child a place on a Friday, you will now find it on the usual After School Club tab on MCAS. The collection time remains the same for Friday at 4.30pm.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

The date to return your Cauliflower Card designs has been extended. You now have up to 23rd October 2026, which is the last day of this half term. Designs should be brought into school in the morning.