



Inspiring Changemakers:

Year 5 have had the most wonderful of weeks at St George's House this week, enjoying the full range of activities.

They surfed, kayaked, climbed, learned archery and fencing and enjoyed the absolutely excellent food.

A massive thank you to Baz and his team as always for hosting us but an especially huge thank you to Mrs Fidler, Mrs Gagg and Mr Brown for organising and staffing the trip.

Taking children on residential trips really does go above and beyond the call of duty and being at work for 4 full days and nights with no break at all is no mean feat. It is testament to the commitment of the team that they give up this time voluntarily to ensure these experiences can happen. Thanks, all of you for your unwavering commitment.

What's new?

Mrs Walton's new gardening club has been a great success and it got us thinking. What clubs would you like to see running at St Helen's?

We can't promise that they are feasible but we would like to ensure that our offer is what the community wants! On that note, if you would like to run or support a club, or an area of the curriculum, please speak to Rachel Hall in the office about volunteering opportunities.

Community updates:



A huge thank you to Bridge Books of Exeter who have very kindly gifted us £250 of books about Religion and World Views for our library. We are really grateful.

Thank you also to our lovely vicar, Rev Jules who has re-started Open the Book as part of Collective Worship. This is so popular with the children, who love to perform as well as watch and something that they missed loads since it stopped during lockdown.

Key learning this week:

This week, we focus on learning across the curriculum.

Across the school, children are learning about a range of exciting scientific concepts, including plants and habitats. It has been really lovely to see so much of the learning being taken outside now that the weather has finally brightened up and become a bit more seasonally appropriate.

I have seen learning about mountains in Year 4, some fantastic D&T projects in Y3 (I learned a thing or two about fixed and loose pivots!) I've really enjoyed playing glockenspiels in Year 2 and talking about religion and world views with Y6 as we consider what kind of king Jesus is. Reception and Year 1 have got some fabulous play projects on the go and as always, there is always such a great buzz around our lovely school.