



### Inspiring Changemakers:

We are trying to see how far how our weekly updates reach so here's a challenge. The first five people to email "I read it!" to [sthelens.sch@alumnismat.org](mailto:sthelens.sch@alumnismat.org) will win a Cadbury's Dairy Milk, which they can collect from the school office on 3rd June! Gotta be in it to win it!

A huge well done and thank you to the entire staff team for keeping St Helen's driving forward and supporting me in my new role as school improvement partner across two other schools in our trust. I thought it would be hard to be away from St Helen's but I have such faith in our fabulous team and I know we will continue to go from strength to strength. What has been brilliant is how much I have learned from working across such a diverse range of settings and that can only be a win for St Helen's! A particular thanks to Mrs Fidler and Mrs Barkwill who are leading the school on the days I am elsewhere, I am sure you agree they are more than capable!

### What's new?

Sunshine! That's what's new! It has been so lovely to enjoy some sunny weather and I really hope it continues over the half term. We have finally been able to open up The Wilderness and seeing our children enjoying our fantastic outdoor learning environment has brought us all such joy! We would love to start funding for a Trim Trail so if you have any contacts or know of a business that might like to sponsor this, please let us know!

### Community updates:



Year 3 had a wonderful trip to Appledore to learn about the work of some inspiring people in our community. They visited the fire station and lifeboat station as well as exploring some of the victorian exhibits in the museum. Thanks Mr Kent and Mr Brown!

You may have seen our Year 6 children wearing their fabulous new leavers' hoodies. They will wear these from now until they leave our community at the end of the school year as a mark of their readiness to transition to their new learning communities. Thanks to Mrs Barkwill and Mrs Fidler for organising these symbolic and exciting tops as part of the celebration of all they have achieved in their time at St Helen's.

### Key learning this week:

It has been lovely to see the culmination of lots of this half term's enquiries this week. I have also (as always) loved seeing the breadth of the curriculum this across the school, with cooking, forest school, French, computing, music, art and PE all going on during the afternoons. It is always so busy here at St Helen's - we love it!

We are always learning as adults too, and the fabulous social inclusion team have put together this brilliant briefing to help us as parents and carers understand how we can help keep children safe and happy whether online or in our community. I hope it is useful and I am sure Mr Creek and the team will welcome your feedback.

Please click on this [Link](#) to access the Parent/Carer Briefing