



THURSDAY 22ND MAY

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SHERDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



## A note from Mr Gawne ...



As we come to the end of another half term, I want to start by thanking all our families for their continued support. As always, the weeks seem to have flown by, and it has been a busy and positive time across school.

This half term has brought a real mix of events, and I'd like to begin by recognising our brilliant Year 6 children who completed their end of Key Stage 2 SATs earlier this month. Tests can naturally bring a few nerves, but the children approached the week with maturity, resilience and a really positive attitude. I reminded them beforehand that all we ever ask is that they try their best – and they certainly did. Whatever the results, we know they will continue to go on and achieve great things.

Next half term, the rest of our year groups will complete their end of term assessments, and our Year 1 and Year 4 children will take part in the Phonics Screening Check and Multiplication Tables Check. As always, my thanks go to our teachers and support staff for preparing the children so well and helping them feel confident and ready and also to you – our families – for the continued support you provide to the children at home.

This week, it was also exciting to welcome our new families into school who will be joining us in Reception for September, it was lovely to meet you all and we can't wait for you to join us for your 'Stay and Play' sessions.



**Sherdley's Whole School Attendance Target for this Academic Year:**

**96%**

**Sherdley's Whole School Attendance since returning in September:**

**94.8%**

ATTENDANCE HERO  
*Here, Every day, Ready,  
On time*

Family

## A note from Mr Gawne ... Continued

We've also enjoyed some lovely enrichment opportunities. Year 3 had a fantastic visit to Chester as part of their Roman Empire topic, and last night, our Drama Club children from Years 4 to 6 put on a brilliant performance of *Wicked*! They showed great confidence, humour and teamwork, and sang beautifully – with a few solos too! Thank you to families for supporting the children, and to the staff who have given their time to make this possible.



In staffing news, today we say goodbye for now to Mrs Clayton and Miss Furnival as they begin their maternity leave. We wish them both lots of luck and joy as they prepare to welcome their new arrivals. It is also Miss Furnival's last day at Sherdley, as she will not be returning after her leave. We thank her for her commitment, passion and care for the children she has taught during her time with us, and we know she will always be part of the Sherdley family. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Williams and Mrs Kerr into their new roles in Year 6 and Reception, and to Mrs Kerr's return from her own maternity leave.



After the break, our Year 6 children will be heading off on their residential to Barnstondale from 3rd–5th June, which they are very excited about. I would also like to ask for your support in ensuring children do not bring toys, fidgets, gadgets or items from home into school. We are seeing more toys marketed as “fidgets” appearing in classrooms, and these are beginning to disrupt learning. Mrs Stroud will continue to support any children who need fidgets in school, and we ask that any from home stay at home please.

Finally, after half term we will be carrying out a practice lockdown drill, as part of our statutory procedures alongside our regular fire drills. I understand the wider concerns felt nationally, and I want to reassure you that this drill will be handled sensitively and in an age appropriate way. Sherdley remains a safe site with strong safeguarding procedures, and it is important that children are familiar with all safety routines, as they are when they have our fire drill alarms.

Thank you to everyone who joined us today for our Colour Run and for your generous sponsorships. We can't wait to share some of the photos with you when everyone has dried off and cleaned up a little!

I hope you all have a lovely half term break as we look ahead to the final half term of the school year.

Best wishes,  
Mr Gawne & The Sherdley Family



## COLOUR RUN 2026

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our second Colour Run — what a fantastic success it was! The event was filled with fun, laughter and plenty of bright colours, and it was wonderful to see our school community coming together. Beyond the excitement, the Colour Run also had a brilliant impact on the children's wellbeing, giving them the chance to be active, joyful and outdoors with their friends.

**Please send any sponsor forms and money back to school after half term.**

Thank you once again for helping to make this such a memorable event for our pupils.

Photos will be sent out on the app after half term.

## Year 6

A huge well done to our Year 6 pupils for their incredible effort and determination during the SATs. They approached each test with maturity, resilience, and a positive attitude that made us all proud. Regardless of the results, their hard work, teamwork, and commitment have truly shone through. A big thank you as well to the staff and families who supported them every step of the way. What a fantastic achievement for everyone involved.

*Congratulations!*

In the coming weeks, Year 1 will be taking their Phonics Screening Check and Year 4 will complete their Multiplication Tables Check. These assessments give pupils an opportunity to show the fantastic progress they've made throughout the year, and we know they will approach them with enthusiasm and confidence. Staff have been working hard to prepare the children, and your support at home continues to make a real difference. We wish all pupils the very best as they take on these important milestones.



## Safeguarding

Last month, I shared that the Safeguarding Team at Sherdley routinely checks and updates our procedures to keep them as effective as possible. I informed you of a new measure that will further strengthen the way we manage visitors attending events such as celebration assemblies, class assemblies and other school occasions.

Invitations are now being sent via the school app, but from now on each message will include an image that will act as your entry 'ticket'. Thank you for bringing the screenshot of this image with you on the day.

We appreciate that sometimes you may be unable to attend and may ask a family member to come in your place; in these cases, please ensure they have the image so they can enter on your behalf. If you have any questions, please speak to the office or a member of the senior team. The new system is working very well, and we would like to thank all parents and carers for supporting this new approach and helping us maintain strong safeguarding practices across the school.

# Summer Events Calendar



## Summer Term Events



Event	Date
School opens for Summer Term 1	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April
School Nurse Drop In – 9am	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
Year 5 Debt Awareness Workshops	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April
2F Class Assembly – 2:40pm	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April
RR Class Assembly – 2:40pm	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April
Parent's Evening – 2:00-6:30pm	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April
Year 3 Trip to Chester - Romans	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Year 6 Parent Residential Meeting – 3:20pm	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May
Year 6 SATs	w/c 11 <sup>th</sup> May
5R Class Assembly – 9am	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May
Year 5 & 6 Trip to The Sutton Academy for Panto – pm	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May
Sherdley Colour Run – 1:30pm Gates Open	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May – 1:30pm Gates Open
<b>School closes for half term</b>	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>
School Opens for Summer Term 2	1 <sup>st</sup> June
Multiplication Tables Check – Year 4	w/c 1 <sup>st</sup> June – over 2 weeks
School Nurse Drop In – 9am	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Year 6 Residential	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June
Phonics Screening Check – KS1	w/c 7 <sup>th</sup> June – over 2 weeks
Sherdley Fest	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June
3W Class Assembly – 2:40pm	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June
Sports Days	w/c 21 <sup>st</sup> June – Days & Times TBC
2E Class Assembly – 2:40pm	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June
Transition Days – taster days in new class/school	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July – 3 days
Sherdley Oscars Night – Invitation Event – 5:00pm	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July
Reports go home	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 5 Trip to Blue Planet Aquarium	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July
Pre-School Graduation Day	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly for Parents – 9am	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>School closes – end of term – 1:30pm</b>	<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>

## Recycle and Raise Money



The 'Sherdley Blue' Clothing Bin positioned near to KSI playground has arrived. Help us to fill the bin and raise money for school every month. The bin has already been emptied once since being here. Thank you.

# St Helens Heritage Festival

## Heritage Festival

St Helens Heritage Festival will return on Saturday 30 May 2026, 10am-3pm at St Helens Town Hall



### Exhibitors

The Assembly Room - St Helens Town Hall  
10am-3pm



### Talk: 150 years of St Helens Town Hall

Pilkington Room - St Helens Town Hall



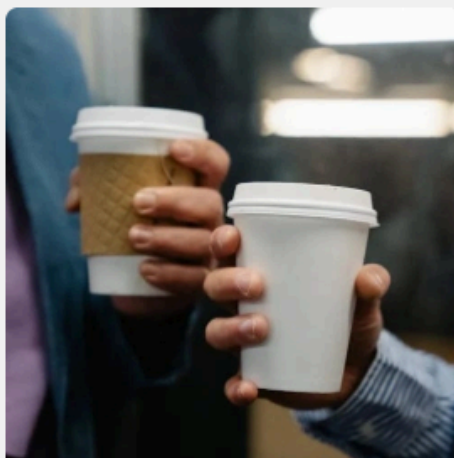
### Mucky Mountains Morris

Victoria Square  
Times TBC



### Classic Cars

Victoria Square  
10am-3pm



### Refreshments

Assembly Room - St Helens Town Hall  
10am - 3pm



### Vintage bus

Victoria Square  
10am-3pm



### Mobile Museum

Victoria Square  
10am-3pm



### The Art Club of St Helens

Pilkington Room - St Helens Town Hall  
10am-12.30pm



### St Helens Rotary - Sit Down Walk

# Advanced Solutions – Summer dates

## What's on in St Helens

Summer Term 2026



**ADDvanced Solutions**  
Community Network  
Supporting you to find the answers

### ADDvanced Solutions Community Network

supports the emotional health and wellbeing of neurodivergent children and young people, their families and the professionals that work with them. **No diagnosis or referral is needed to access the offer.**

#### ST HELENS Community Network Group

**Tuesday afternoons during term time**



Join us from **12:30pm-2:30pm**

**Venue:** Willowbrook Hospice, The Living Well, Borough Rd, St Helens WA10 3RN

**No booking needed, just come along**

Come along and meet our team, to learn more about neurodiversity from those who can share lived experiences and practical strategies. Our groups create a welcoming, accepting and relaxed environment for parents and carers, you are not on your own.



The Living Well is located on Borough Road, reachable via the 10 bus routes from St Helens town centre.

#### Topics this term:

Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Introduction to Autism
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Developing Theory of Mind in Neurodivergent Children
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	No Session due to Venue Closure - join us on Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Sharing a Diagnosis of a Neurodevelopmental Condition
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	We will be joined by <b>Independent Travel Training</b>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Tantrums V Meltdowns - what is the difference?

#### Half Term Break

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Introduction to ADHD
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	We will be joined by the <b>0-19 Team SEND Lead</b>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Preparing for Meetings with school and relevant professionals
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Encouraging Friendships for Neurodivergent Children
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Preparing for the Summer Holidays
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Encouraging Independence and Building Confidence



Family



## Advanced Solutions

### If you can't make it face-to-face, join us online...

Online opportunities to learn more about neurodiversity from the comfort of your own home! With your camera and microphone off for your privacy, you can interact using the chat/Q&A feature to ask any questions you may have. Come along, learn more and get some strategies.

#### Monday Online Community Network Group

Mondays during term time



9:30am - 11:00am  
Online via Zoom

[Click here to register](#)

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Open Session</b> seek advice around any problems
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Supporting Organisational Skills and Planning</b>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Using Music to Support Neurodiversity</b>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>No Session due to BANK HOLIDAY</b>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Preparing Neurodivergent Young People for the Future</b>
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Developing Theory of Mind in Neurodivergent Children</b>

#### Half Term Break

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	<b>Supporting Transition and managing changes</b>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Supporting Neurodivergent Children to Access Learning</b>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Autism with a Demand Avoidant Profile (PDA)</b>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Choosing a School making an informed choice</b>
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Preparing for the Summer Holidays</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Encouraging Independence and Building Confidence</b>

#### Wednesday Online Community Network Group

Wednesdays during term time



5:00pm - 6:30pm  
Online via Zoom

[Click here to register](#)

Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Developmental Delay Supporting Areas of Need</b>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Tantrums V meltdowns what is the difference?</b>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Using Music to Support Neurodiversity</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Preparing Neurodivergent Young People for the Future</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Supporting Transition and managing changes</b>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Specific Learning Difficulties</b> Including dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia

#### Half Term Break

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>Supporting Neurodivergent Children to Access Learning</b>
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Open Session</b> seek advice around any problems
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Using Social Stories to support understanding</b>
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Neurodiversity and Mental Health</b>
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Preparing for the Summer Holidays</b>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>ADHD, Autism and Masking</b>

If you are using a phone, you will need to download the Zoom app beforehand. Please be mindful of your data usage. If you do not have an unlimited data plan, you may need to connect to a Wi-Fi connection to prevent charges.

## Advanced Solutions

### Additional Online Workshops

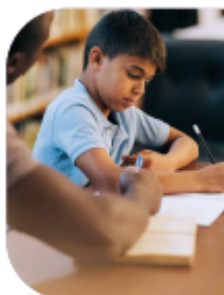
Short, online webinars to help you better understand a topic related to neurodevelopmental conditions. Interact via the chat and Q&A with any questions.

#### Introduction to Autism

An introductory session to autism, how it presents in children and young people, and strategies to support at home and in school.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April** - 9.30am - 12.00pm

[Click here to register](#)



#### Introduction to SEND Process and EHCPs

An introduction to navigating the SEND Process to ensure relevant, appropriate support is in place for your neurodivergent child or young person in their educational setting.

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May** - 9.30am - 12.00pm

[Click here to register](#)

#### Sensory Processing Difficulties

Exploring how our bodies receive and process sensory information, and the common challenges experienced by children and young people who have difficulty processing this information.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - 9.30am - 12.00pm

[Click here to register](#)



#### Executive Functioning Difficulties

Discussing how to support neurodivergent children and young people to develop their executive functioning skills - providing strategies to support organisation, sequencing and time management.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** - 9.30am - 12.00pm

[Click here to register](#)

If you are using a phone, you will need to download the Zoom app beforehand. Please be mindful of your data usage. If you do not have an unlimited data plan, you may need to connect to a Wi-Fi connection to prevent charges.

[See Page 6 for our upcoming Professionals Training](#)

## Oral Health

# ORAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN

ST HELENS WELLBEING



### TOOTHBRUSHING

- Teeth should be brushed as soon as they appear in the mouth.
- An ideal toothbrush should have a small head with soft/medium textured bristles.
- There is no fluoride in the local water supply.
- For children under 3, use a smear of ordinary family fluoride toothpaste (1350-1500 ppm). Fluoride helps to make teeth stronger.

- For children over 3, use a pea-sized blob.

PEA-SIZED



- Brush teeth and gums last thing at night before bed and one other time during the day – ideally for 2 minutes.
- Children need help with toothbrushing up to the age of 7.
- Your child should spit out after brushing and not rinse. This helps the fluoride to work for longer on the teeth.

SMEAR



### SUGAR FREE MEDICINES

- Always ask for sugar free medicines for your child and check with the doctor if they need a prescription.
- If they contain sugar, they can cause tooth decay.
- Medicines are often given at intervals during the day and may be given at night.

### VISITING THE DENTIST

- Your child should visit the dentist to have regular check ups.
- Take your child as often as the dentist recommends.
- In agreement with national guidelines, dentists offer fluoride varnish applications 2 – 3 time per year to every child and young person aged 3 – 16 years.
- A list of local dental practices is available from <https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-dentist>



## 0-19 School Nurse Support

School Nurse Drop in at Sherdley

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June from 8:45am

No appointment required



Download our School Nurse  
Service information leaflet



**Support children from Reception to 19<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday (25 for young people with SEND)**



## Next Year's Term Dates - 26-27



### Term Dates for September 2026– July 2027

**Autumn Term:**

Open on the morning of  
Close on the afternoon of

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026

Open on the morning of  
Close on the afternoon of

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2026  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026

**Spring Term:**

Open on the morning of  
Close on the afternoon of

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2027  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2027

Open on the morning of  
Close on the afternoon of

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2027  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2027

**Summer Term:**

Open on the morning of  
Close on the afternoon of

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2027

Open on the morning of  
Close on the afternoon of

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2027  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2027

**Easter Bank Holiday:**

Good Friday: 26<sup>th</sup> March 2027  
Easter Monday: 29<sup>th</sup> March 2027

**Bank Holiday During Term Time:**

May Day: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027

**Inset Days:**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2027  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2027  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2027

# SAFEGUARDING AT SHERDLEY



## Designated Safeguarding Leads



**MRS BENNETT**



**MRS ECCLESTON**

## Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



**MR GAWNE**



**MRS STROUD**



**MR DAVIES**

Contact us: [sherdley@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:sherdley@sthelens.org.uk)  
01744 678683

DSLs and Deputy DSLs are outside, around school most mornings. If you have any worries or concerns, please speak to one of us. We can also be contacted via the Sherdley email - [sherdley@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:sherdley@sthelens.org.uk) or the Parent App. If you would rather not share information with the office team, you can request a call back regarding a safeguarding worry.

## Sherdley Shares

### Sutton Family Hub Offer

#### Monday

- 1.00pm - 3.00pm **IASS (Information Advice Support Service) Parent Coffee Afternoon (Term time only)**  
1.30pm - 2.30pm **Little Wizz Kids (6-36 months)**

#### Tuesday

- 9.30am - 11.30am **Healthy Child Clinic (0-19+ Service)**  
9.30am - 11.30am **Sleep advice drop-in**  
9.30am - 11.30am **Family Library Time**  
10.00am - 11.00am **Sensory Baby group (0-12 months)**  
10.00am - 12.00pm **Stepping Stones (0-12 years, by invitation)**  
10.00am - 12.00pm **St Helens Mobile Food Pantry**  
10.00am - 2.00pm **Breastfeeding Support Group drop-in**  
10.00am - 2.00pm **Mill Green Hangout Cafe (term time only)**  
1.00pm - 2.00pm **Baby Massage (Please call to book)**

#### Wednesday

- 9.00am - 5.00pm **Speech and Language Therapy (by invitation)**  
9.30am - 11.30am **Coffee/Tea Tots**  
9.30am - 11.30am **Specialist Infant Feeding Clinic (please book)**  
10.00am - 12.00pm **PAACES (Adults)**  
2.00pm - 4.00pm **PAACES (Children/Young People)**  
3.30pm - 5.00pm **Family Matters group (5-11 years)**

#### Thursday

- 9.00am - 12.30pm **Developmental Checks for 0-5 years (by invitation)**  
9.30am - 10.30am **Little Wizz Kids (6-36 months)**  
2.00pm - 6.00pm **YMCA Listening Service (by invitation)**

#### Friday

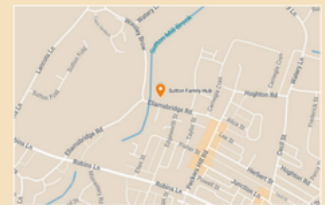
- 2.15pm - 3.15pm **Sensory Baby Group (0-12 months)**

#### Saturday

- 9.00am - 5.00pm **VIBE Saturday Club 8-18 years (by invitation)**  
10.00am - 12.00pm **Parents in Mind (1st Saturday of the month)**  
10.00am - 12.00pm **M.A.T.CH (Men And Their Children) Monthly starting 2nd May**

#### Sutton Family Hub

Elmsbridge Road WA9 3PY  
01744 673420



## Sherdley Shares

**FREE** **Creative Cake Sessions** for Little Ones!

**27th & 28th May**  
10:00 am – 12:00 noon  
Parr Sports & Community Centre  
St Helens

**Chocolate Crispy Cakes!**

**All Equipment & Ingredients Provided!**

**Build Confidence with Food**

**Learn Teamwork & Responsibility**

**Practice Kitchen Safety**

**Be Creative & Have Fun!**

**Goodies to Take Home!**

**Wash Hands • Use Tools Safely • Keep the Kitchen Clean!**

**A Fun, Friendly Place to Make New Friends!**

**Spaces Limited – Don't Miss Out!**

## Sherdley Shares

**Play & Stay Sessions**  
at Parr Sports & Community Centre

Is your child starting school this September?  
Join our fun sessions to get ready for school!

Every Wednesday in August  
10:00am - 12:00 noon

- ✓ Play nicely with other children
- ✓ Tell an adult when they need the toilet
- ✓ Learn to wash hands after the toilet, after play & before eating.

Light snacks provided at the end of each session!

**LEARN • PLAY • GET SCHOOL READY!**

For more info, contact Parr Sports & Community Centre.

## Sherdley Shares

# Community Food Pantries

### St Helens Mobile Community Food Pantry

Pantries operate as a member-led neighbourhood hub and are just like a shop, in that you choose the food you want from the shelves. Members pay a small subscription each week they visit, and in return can choose groceries worth many times more, often saving up to £1,000 a year on shopping bills.

## How it Works

**STEP 1**

Find your nearest pantry (you must live in the area in which it is based).

**STEP 2**

Go along and join on the day it is open, remembering it is open to everyone in that community.

**STEP 3**

Pay your membership each time you visit.  
Sit and have a cuppa while you wait for your turn.

**STEP 4**

Choose your shopping, which will always be worth more than your weekly membership fee.

**STEP 5**

Tell your neighbours and get them to join too.

## Sherdley Shares

**There are five community food pantries available to residents in St Helens town centre, Thatto Heath, Haydock, West Park and Sutton.**

### **HOPE Pantry Wesley**

Wesley Methodist Church,  
Corporation Street, St Helens WA10 1LF  
Opening times: Tuesday, 11.00am - 13.00pm

### **St Mark's T.A.N.G.O. Pantry**

Park Street, Haydock, St Helens WA11 0BH  
Opening times: Thursday, 8.50am - 11.00am

### **St Matthew's Centre Pantry**

St Matthews Grove, Thatto Heath, St Helens WA10 3SE  
Opening times: Monday, 6.30pm - 8.00pm  
& Wednesday, 8.45am - 11:30am

### **St Luke's Pantry**

Knowsley Road, St Helens WA10 4PU  
Opening times: Wednesday, 3.30pm - 5.30pm

### **Sutton Pantry St Michael & All Angels Church**

Gartons Lane, St Helens WA9 2RA  
Opening times: Sunday, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

**There are also four mobile community food pantries available to residents in Sutton, Newton-le-Willows, Moss Bank, and Peasley Cross.**

### **Sutton Family Hub**

Ellamsbridge Road, Sutton, St Helens WA9 3PY  
Opening times: Tuesday, 10.00am - 12.00pm

### **Cross Lane United Church**

Earlestown, Newton-le-Willows, WA12 9PT  
Opening times: Monday, 10.00am - 12.00pm

### **Park Farm Community Centre**

54 Kentmere Avenue, Carr Mill, St Helens WA11 7PG  
Opening times: Thursday 10.00am - 12.00pm

### **Peasley Cross URC**

Beaufort Street, St Helens WA9 3BQ  
Opening times: Friday 8.45am - 10.15am

## Sherdley Shares

### What's on for families with special educational needs and disabilities?



#### **Paediatric Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy drop in sessions.**

Drop in at Sutton Family Hub from 1.00pm – 4.00pm on Thursday 15th January, Thursday 19th February and Thursday 19th March. No need to book. For more information, telephone **0151 351 8800**.



#### **Listen 4 Change Parent Carer Forum**

A local Forum run by Parent Carers for Parent Carers. If you're a parent/carer of a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and/or a Disability (SEND) aged 0-25 in St Helens, then join us now.



#### **Advanced Solutions Community Network**

is an open access offer that supports the emotional health and wellbeing of neurodivergent children and young people, their families and the professionals that work with them. Contact the team on **01744 582172**



#### **IASS Information, Advice and Support Service**

is a statutory service providing information, advice and support on matters relating to children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. You can drop in at Sutton Family Hub on Monday 1-3pm or contact [IASS@sthelens.gov.uk](mailto:IASS@sthelens.gov.uk) for more information.



#### **The Bridge Centre**

offers a specialist service to children from birth up to the age of 5 years old, with:

- A recognised disability/diagnosis where significant development delay is likely to feature
- Complex health needs and neuro-developmental conditions
- A significant delay in 2 or more areas of development

A parent/carer or a professional involved with a child can ask us to see the child, please contact **01744 673131/3132** for more information. The 0-19 team in St Helens have a Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) team to support you and your family which includes, Health Visitors and specialist nurses. For more information contact **01744 411277**

For more information and help, check out the new SEND Information Hub is a user-friendly website designed to help families, young people, and professionals easily find the support, services, and resources they need in one accessible place.



## Sherdley Shares



### What's on in the community?

**Chester Lane Library**  
Four Acre Lane, Clock Face, WA9 4DE

Monday	11.00am	Read and Rhyme
Thursday	10.00am - 12.00pm	Healthy Child Clinic (0-19+ Service) (Clinic does not run on the 2nd Thursday of the month)
	10.00am - 12.00pm	Sleep advice drop-in
	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Sensory Baby Group (0-12 months)
Friday	11.00am	Read and Rhyme

**Thatto Heath Library**  
Thatto Heath Road, St Helens WA10 3QX

Monday	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Sensory Baby Group (0-12 months)
Tuesday	2.15pm	Read and Rhyme
Friday	11.00am	Read and Rhyme

**Grange Valley Primary School**  
1 Heyes Avenue, St Helens WA11 0XQ

Tuesday	10.00am - 11.00am	Sensory Baby Group (0-12 months)
Wednesday	1.30pm - 2.30pm	Baby Massage (please call to book)

[www.sthelens.gov.uk/article/1816/chil](http://www.sthelens.gov.uk/article/1816/chil)

### Coming soon!

#### Baby Showers

Central Link – Monday 2nd March 10.00am – 12.00pm  
Sutton Family Hub – Friday 5th June 1.00pm – 3.00pm  
Parr Children's Centre – Tuesday 8th September 10.30am – 12.30pm  
Newton Family Hub – Wednesday 4th November 10.30am – 12.30pm

#### Pregnancy & Beyond

Central Link starting – Thursday 12th March 4.30pm – 6.00pm  
Sutton Family Hub – Thursday 11th June 4.30pm – 6.00pm  
Parr Children's Centre – Thursday 17th September 4.30pm – 6.00pm  
Newton Family Hub – Thursday 12th November 4.30pm – 6.00pm

Look out for more updates on our social media.



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# MAKING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ACCESSIBLE



Scan for everything you need to support children aged 0-19 (and up to 25 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) in St Helens, including registration services, school & education advice, childcare, health and wellbeing and more. Visit: [sthelensfamilyhub.sthelens.gov.uk](https://sthelensfamilyhub.sthelens.gov.uk)



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## SOCIAL CARE

- Tell us about a child being abused or neglected
- Get help, support or social care
- Children's services
- Contact Cares

- Adult Social Care Strategy
- Protecting vulnerable adults
- Emergency Duty Team
- Care homes
- Adults with additional needs
- Occupational therapy
- Supported Living
- Living independently at home
- Help with visual problems
- Pause
- Mental health support
- Adult Social Care Market Position Statement

## CHILDREN'S SERVICES

- Concerned about a child's safety or welfare?
- Adoption, fostering and special guardianship
- Care leavers
- Family Hubs
- Why join St Helens Children's Social Care?
- St Helens Children We Look After Council
- Commissioning services for children's social care
- Disabled children and young person's register
- Oral health for ages 0-19



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# Warm Connections Community Cafe



If you have suffered a bereavement, come along for a chat with people who have similar experiences. Refreshments provided.

**Make connections in your community. Free event - all welcome!**

Sat 3rd January 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 7th February 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 7th March 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 11th April 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 2nd May 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 6th June 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 4th July 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 1st August 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 5th September 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 3rd October 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm
Sat 7th November 2026	11.00am – 12.30pm

We are supporting this year's National Grief Awareness Week created by The Good Grief Trust. For signposting to a choice of bereavement services, please visit: [www.thegoodgrieftrust.org](http://www.thegoodgrieftrust.org)

**Venue:**

Sunrise Ceremony Hall, St Helens Crematorium, Rainford Road, St Helens WA10 6DF

**Hope & help in one place**

Supported by the Friends of St Helens Cemetery, the Bereavement Services Team and other support organisations.

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**ST. HELENS HOCKEY CLUB EST. 2015**

# JUNIOR HOCKEY

**LET THE FUN BEGIN!**

**STARTING SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY**  
**SUTTON LEISURE CENTRE**  
**11AM - 12PM AGES 6+**

- ✓ First 2 sessions **FREE!** ✓
- ✓ Spare sticks available! ✓
- ✓ All abilities welcome! ✓

**FUN, FRIENDS & HOCKEY!**

**READY, SET, PLAY HOCKEY!**

## 1:1 & 2:1 FOOTBALL SESSIONS



- 7 days a week
- Coaching all positions
- Improvement after first session
- Girls & Boys Ages 6 - 15 years
- Discounts Available



**WALMSLEY ROAD WA105JR**

For more information contact Steve Pagendam on 07492091999 or on Facebook Steven Pagendam

Over 16 years coaching experience, full dbs held and fully qualified FA coach

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## Whit Holiday Club, Eaves Primary (St. Helens)

Football, dance games, sports, indoor & outdoor activities, and more...

Primary age children + | Ofsted registered & tax-free childcare accepted! | 8am to 6pm

[raringstars.com](http://raringstars.com)

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**Level 2 Education Support Course**  
**STEP INTO THE CLASSROOM WITH OUR ONLINE SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAMMES**

Liverpool City Region  
Combined Authority

**FREE**  
Fully-funded

 6-week course

 Post-course certificate

**Start date: 18th May 2026**

**Ofsted**  
Good Provider

**Our Course:**

-  **Online**  
Will be completed through Microsoft Teams, and will follow a flexible learning model (Monday to Friday)

**Career Pathways:**

-  Teaching Assistant
-  1:1 Support Roles
-  Lunch Time Supervisor
-  & so many more!

**What does it include?**

-  Level 2 Certificate in **Understanding Safeguarding and Prevent**
- Level 2 Certificate in **Behaviours that Challenge**

**ENROL TODAY**

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*“ Take that leap and go through with it. People will support you. It's for your own growth. Take that step - it will be okay! The confidence you will gain from this course is invaluable ”*