



St Luke's Newsletter



Friday, 8th September, 2017

Welcome to a new school year...

...and can I thank all our wonderful families for getting the children in on time and ready to go - I know that is not easy after a long summer break!

There is always a lot of information to give to you at the beginning of the year and soon we shall have our new website to help you stay in touch with information. Next week we will be uploading documents and photos onto it and then there is a delay as the new site is registered and replaces the old one. We are trying to launch our new one on Monday the 25th September and I will give you further updates next week.

Curriculum

The staff have been doing extra work for about six months now designing a new curriculum for our children. The aim is for us to join up learning across different subjects. An example was in Y3 this week where they have started learning about the ancient Egyptian civilisation through literacy, art, geography and science - A visit from our chief Egyptian embalmer, T'ulc J'farr, taught them how to mummify Princess M'sope. (Ask them what we did with the brains!)



Uniform: We have now created an account with Tesco so parents can buy our school uniform online . The link below takes parents straight to the '[St Luke's ordering page](#)'. Tesco are currently in the process of producing new Welcome packs which will be sent to us once completed: <https://tinyurl.com/y7acnarm>

...and on that subject, can parents please make sure their children are wearing the correct uniform and have their PE kits in school (bring in Monday, take home Friday!) and rain jackets - this is England in the Autumn, any weather could occur! Also can you ensure that NO earrings are worn in school - **studs only** - so we can make sure that we do not have any serious injuries to their ears. See details on our website: www.st-lukes.newham.sch.uk ('About Our School' - 'Uniforms').

If your child has any health concerns or dietary issues please contact school office so we can put the correct support in place.

Insets

The staff had two training days on Monday and Tuesday of this week covering safeguarding updates as well as sessions on our new curriculum, maths mastery and an external trainer from the Diocese of Chelmsford leading an excellent session.

Upcoming Dates for you diary

11th Sept: NSPCC Speak Out - Stay Safe assemblies for Y1-Y6
13th Sept: Y1 trip to Tesco
19th Sept: NSPCC Speak Out - Stay Safe workshops for Y5&6
26th Sept: External Safeguarding Audit for the school
29th Sept: Y6 theatre trip to Stratford Circus

Week beginning 2nd Oct: Cycle training all week for Y5

5th Oct: Teaching of Reading & Phonics meeting for YR parents
5-6.30pm

6th Oct: Coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer Research

18th & 19th Oct: Parent meetings 3.30-6pm

20th Oct: Community Meal - parents invited

Pupils will be receiving After School applications forms today. These clubs will commence Monday 18th September.

And finally... big congratulations to three of our pupils who have achieved grades in Piano: Simone Sutherland and Daniel Sams, who passed Grade 1, and Sariya Lewis who passed her Grade 2. Well done to all for their hard work and dedication!!!

I hope you have a peaceful weekend.

Matt Hipperson

