



# St Luke's Newsletter



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017

The amazing generosity and compassion of our families has never been better demonstrated than this week. We are aware these are difficult times for many families, yet when we asked for donations to feed the homeless people who attend *St. Paul's foodbank, Stratford* as part of our Harvest Festival celebrations, I don't think any of us expected the mountain of food we received - it is stunning! The Arch Dean of West Ham Jeremy Fraser wants you to know that your donations will make a real difference to those that are struggling to cope at the moment. **For us to then run a coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer Research** today seemed a little ambitious but the sheer volume of parents attending - over 50 - and all the kind donations you gave have left us speechless. We managed to raise **£160** in that short period of time. It was great to see you chatting and relaxing with each other and your kids, we are wondering if we should do this once every half-term just so we can escape the crazy pace of life even if only for 30 minutes!



We are celebrating Black History over the next few weeks and wonder if any of our parents would like to come in and share talents/read stories or run art sessions that would link to this celebration - please speak to your class teacher if you wish to get involved.

## Meetings next week

We apologise for cancelling Thursday's meeting '*Getting ready for Y6 SATs and Transition to Secondary*'. We have now rescheduled it for **Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Oct**, in main hall, **3.30-4.15pm**. Please bring your child and your Y6 transition book given out last week.

**Thurs. 12<sup>th</sup> Oct, 5.30pm** - *Teaching of Reading & Phonics for Reception*. A parents meeting will be held in main hall from 5.30-6.30pm. For this meeting we suggest coming without your child as it will be boring for them as we talk about this important step in their learning.

We have had a number of cases of KS1 children being left at the main gate on their morning arrival at school. Can we please remind parents that they **must** bring their children all the way to their classrooms.

Sadly, we appear to have had an outbreak of **vomiting and diarrhoea** this week, especially with our Early Years children. Please take added precautions with your child's hygiene, taking particular care with hand washing and handling of food. May we also remind parents that children who have vomited (or had diarrhoea) need to stay away from school for no less than 48hrs after last occurrence.

**Reading Volunteers:** We are currently looking for some volunteers to do some extra reading with our children in the afternoons - if you haven't already spoken with Mrs Tarbuck and are keen to be involved please speak to her.

Once again, many thanks, and have a peaceful and relaxing weekend

*Matt Hipperson*



MacMillan Cancer  
Research fundraising  
coffee morning

