



St Luke's News

A Christian school that serves a diverse community and works in partnership with parents to develop the whole child.



Friday 21st June 2019



Dear Parents,

I started writing this newsletter at 5am on Friday the 21st June – the longest day of the year – and for St. Luke's, it really was to be just that...

At 6 o'clock that morning, we left on a coach to visit our French partner school St. Augustin, Boulogne-sur-Mer, to give the children an opportunity to practise their spoken French and meet their pen-pals. The school welcomed them and they sang songs, sat in on classroom lessons and stayed for lunch. They then took a trip to a boulangerie (bakery) and made their own croissants. Miss Mbick, Mrs Simpson and Ms Phillip in particular have worked tirelessly to make this trip happen and I want to thank them for once again 'going that extra mile' for our children. We are the smallest school in the borough with the smallest staff yet we manage to give our children fantastic opportunities to learn and grow and that is down to our extraordinary staff. So please, whenever you get the chance let the staff know how much you appreciate their efforts, do so.

EY & KS1 Sports Day

Thursday saw our much awaited sports day for the lower part of the school and in keeping with the KS2 event it really showcased the skills the children are developing and gave a good insight into why we, as a school, are doing so well in borough sports tournaments. I would like to say a massive thank-you to Ms Adams for all her teaching and organising skills and also to the Y6s who helped her run a magnificent event.

A Game too Far

Thursday evening saw our Y6 champions come second place in the Borough's handball competition. Whilst that in itself deserves a big pat on the back for the team, that was not the whole story. What was amazing was that these children had competed in the finals of a track and field ('Quad Kids') event on Wednesday morning, **THEN** won a 9-a-side semi-finals (7-0) after school that same day, **THEN** ran the KS1 Sports Day on Thursday and **THEN** afterwards went on to the Handball competition. As a very proud Mr Scott said later, "...they played brilliantly - but in the end they simply ran out of energy. We're all extremely proud of them."



Heroes All: Y6 2nd place Handball champions

New to Reception

Thursday evening also saw the newest recruits to our school attend a meeting about life in Reception next year. Miss Rowe hosted the talk as she will be teaching in YR next year and we had 25 of the 30 families represented which was a fantastic turnout. It was a privilege for us to meet all the families but especially our initial meetings with some of the families who didn't attend our Nursery as we began to build our working relationship.

Careers Days

On Monday the 1st July the Chief Nurse for England Ruth May is coming to talk to our KS2 children about what a career in healthcare and specifically nursing might look like for our children. To build on this we are then hosting a 'Careers Fair' on the afternoon of Thursday 4th July at which we have invited companies from retail, construction, technology and the emergency services to come and meet our Y5 and Y6 pupils and talk to them about the opportunities open to them in these specific areas of work – parents will be invited to look around from 3pm.

Office Request - On Running late & emails

Could parents please phone the school if you are running late picking up their child. Also parents please call the school to communicate with us rather than email but if you do need to email, send it to the info@St-lukes.newham.sch.uk mailbox - and please address staff by their surname and not first names.

Sex and Relationships Education

Next week we will be teaching our Sex and Relationships Education lessons and I thank the 30 families who attended our curriculum sharing events over the past few weeks. As with everything we do it will be taught sensitively and accurately and it may generate some questions at home as they make sense of any new teaching.

And finally... More heroes for Golden Assembly and Fun in France!





Le Fournil
 BOULANGERIE . PÂTISSERIE
 Bruno BERQUIER
 ARTISAN BOULANGER
 Horaires d'ouverture :
 Lundi
 7h00 -13h00 / 16h00-19h30
 Mardi
 7h00 -13h00 / 16h00-19h30
 Mercredi
 7h00 -13h00 / 16h00-19h30
 Fermé le Jeudi
 Vendredi
 7h00 -13h00 / 16h00-19h30
 Samedi
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 Dimanche
 7h00 -19h30
 Tél. : 03.21.33.68.65



French trip to St. Augustin's and making a mess at *Le Fournil*, Boulangerie & Patisserie

Please take time to look at the rest of the term dates - and have a restful weekend

Matt Hipperson
 Head Teacher

Summer Term Dates

June

24th June Sex & Relationship Education Week

25th Y6 trip to Ben Kinsella workshop AM

26th Y5 trip to Unicorn Theatre – Aesop’s Fables

27th St. Luke’s Got Talent!

July

1st Chief Nurse of England visiting to talk to KS2 PM

1st-5th Innovation week including a ‘Careers Event’ for Y6

2nd July SEND Sportsday with 6 local schools.

5th July St Luke’s Music Assembly 9am parents invited

8th & 9th ‘Peace At Last’ opera performances for EY & KS1

11th

12th July International Evening 4-6pm

16th July Exhibition Evening (parents able to look at their child’s work and where they are going next year 3.30-6pm

18th Y5/6 Summer production 5pm - parents invited

19th Y6 Leavers assembly 9am

19th School closes for the summer at 1pm