



St Luke's Newsletter



Friday 2nd March 2018



Dear Parents,

Apologies for the lack of a newsletter over the last two weeks but just keeping the school running smoothly has taken all our efforts at this busy and cold time of year.



And just when you thought winter had passed, the *'Beast from the East'* meets storm *'Emmd'* Brrr...!

That said, I just want to say a massive thank-you to all the staff and families for working together to keep the school open when so many hundreds of schools in London have closed. The famous 'East London Spirit' - a feeling that we can get through any problems - is still alive and kicking. Many thanks for your patience as we have been reduced to using just one entrance/exit due to health and safety issues and the cancelling of after-school clubs has enabled me to ensure my staff can get home safely and be ready to struggle back in the next day.

Though it's only been two weeks since we returned from our half term break, they certainly have been busy ones. Our Y6 children have been practising for their upcoming SATs tests and the rest of the school have been working hard on their new topics.

Today we had to postpone our Superheroes litter tidy day because all the litter is under snow and ice! We aim to hold this event next Friday and will send a text to confirm, weather permitting. Look at the box on page 2 for other upcoming dates.

Sporting News:

This Wednesday we had the boys' football team over from Chobham for a VERY cold 9-a-side league fixture. After going 1-0 down (and with both sides playing brilliantly), St Luke's fought back to win 4-1. An awesome result by anyone's standard!

Last week, our girl's football team competed in a WHU Under-11s Competition, Second Round. All the girls played extremely well but unfortunately we didn't make it to the

semi-finals. Despite the girls being disappointed, Ms Adams & Mr Scott are very proud we made it to the last 15 out of 65 schools. A big well done to all of them.

Extreme Readers Challenge:

Children have been given a reading/photography challenge. Please check with your child for the leaflet given out today

World Book Day

Choose your favourite book character and get your outfit ready!

On 16th March we are celebrating World Book Day and children will have the opportunity to dress up as their favourite character from their favourite book! Throughout the day, pupils will have opportunities to celebrate the wonderful world of literature through active workshops with our Prince of Poetry and visiting our very own bookshop. You are also invited to the celebration assembly on the same day (9am) where our judging panel will choose the most imaginative costume.

Please be sure to sign the letter going out next week that will allow your child to use money from their bank account in our bookshop.

The bookshop will be open to parents on 19th March, 8:30-9:30 and 14:30-15:30

Smart Watches

Unfortunately, the latest gizmo we need to bring your attention to is the Smart Watch. Already we have seen children coming to school with these watches that enable pupils to receive and send text messages and, in some cases, take photographs. Needless to say, whilst we have no problem with analogue watches worn in school, we will not permit smart watches to be worn. If your child comes to school with one, you will be informed by text and it will be held in the office for your collection.

Have a warm weekend!

Matt Hipperson

Upcoming Diary Dates

Wed. 7th Mar.....Y3/4 mixed handball tournament PM
Fri 9th Mar.....Superhero dress up day - Great British Spring Tidy
Fri 16th Mar.....World Book Day at St. Luke's - (see above)
Wed 21st Mar.....Y3 visit to the Globe Theatre
Thurs. 22nd Mar.....Brilliant club visit to Trinity Hall Cambridge

Tues & Wed, 27th & 28th March - Parent Meetings 3-6pm
School closes for Easter @ 1pm, Thurs 29th March