



St Luke's Newsletter



Friday 18th January 2019

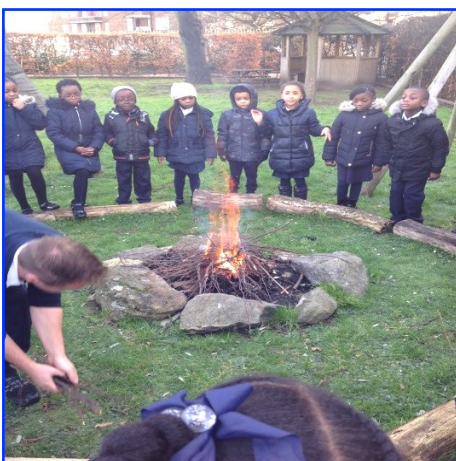
Dear Parents,



There has been lots of inspiration as well as perspiration in school this week!

On Monday, 12 children from Years 3&4 attended an 'Able Writers' day led by a published author and on Tuesday our Y4's worked with an external trainer to get ready for the 'Public Speaking Competition' we are taking part in Chelmsford on March 20th.

As though that wasn't enough, a representative from the Creative Schools Organisation met with senior leaders on Wednesday with a view to brokering us with external experts to enhance an innovation week we are holding in the Summer Term and today we were visited by Bobby Seagull (University Challenge contestant and TV celebrity who comes from East Ham) who did an hour and a half maths workshop with our Y5&6 children around the theme of 'The Impossible is Possible!' He discussed how it was thought impossible that a black man would ever be a president of South Africa amongst other things and linked it to times when we think we can't achieve in maths but if we persevere we can find we can master a situation. We will all try and get a rest this weekend and 'go' again next week!



Great Fire of London

Year 2 are immersed in their topic on the Great Fire of London and went to the fire pit to observe a real fire and how the flames move in the breeze and then extinguish it using a replica leather fire bucket - they were fascinated by the smoke and steam

produced once the water had been used to douse the flames and noted the distinctive smell. Next Monday a theatre group is coming into school to continue this topic immersion which helps cement the children's new learning.





Play structures (Climbing frames)

The play structures are not to be used outside of school lesson times so should not be used before or after school starts/ends - please make sure that you remind your children.

Lost Property

Clothing, like everything else these days, is very expensive - yet we have an overflowing lost property box! Next Friday 25th January we will put unclaimed items on tables in KS2 playground. Please check and claim any clothing that is yours as we will be getting rid of the clothes that are not claimed. Please mark up all your children's clothes - it is the only way we can guarantee your child doesn't lose it.

Football Tournament

Our Y5/6 boy's football team took part in a West Ham Foundation tournament on Thursday, losing only 1 game to a school from another borough. They played well as a team and there were many positives for the upcoming league matches but the loss meant that the other team progressed to the regional finals - bad luck boys. Next week it is the turn of our Y5/6 girl's team.



Greenhouse

Our greenhouse of a thousand pieces has finally taken shape due to a make or break session between the kit, Mr. Scott and Mr. Bonner. The boys won!

Please check out diary dates for you calendar below.

And finally...**Well-done to today's Golden Children.**



Have a peaceful weekend!

Matt Hipperson

Head Teacher

Spring Term Dates

January

- 21st - Freshwater Theatre visiting Y2 for Great Fire of London PM
- 21st - Phonics for EYFS Parents 9-9.40 in the hall
- 21st - BN working on Holocaust remembrance with Y6 PM
- 22nd - Phonics for KS1 Parents 9-9.40 in the hall
- 22nd - Y5 visit Tout Le Monde on Southbank
- 23rd - Y3 class Assembly
- 23rd - Y3/4 handball tournament PM
- 24th - Y5/6 Girls West Ham Football tournament PM
- 25th - 6 Y6 children attend Jewish Holocaust memorial service at East Ham Town Hall
- 29th - Reading for Y6 SATS exams - Y5/6 parents invited 9am & 5pm
- 31st - Young Carers assembly 9.40 AM
- 31st - Y5/6 Shakespeare event at Stratford Circus
- 31st - Athletics final at Kingsford School

February

- 4th - Y6 mock SATs week
- 5th - Boccia competition PM
- 8th - Parent workshop around healthy eating for the family
- 13th - Spiritual artwork for KS2 with Steve Kersys
- 13th - Y5 Citizens day Tate & Lyle
- 13th - No clubs due to staff training
- 14th - Y3/4 girls football tournament
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18th-22nd SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF-TERM (WiFi being upgraded)

- 25th - Whole school Science Engagement Day
- 27th - Y5/6 Table Tennis competition Langdon School

March

- 5th - Y4&5 visiting Chelmsford Cathedral
- Eco Drama Day for EYFS & KS1
- 13th-15th - Book Fayre at school
- 15th - St. Luke's World Book Day celebrations
- 25th - Hamlet (Young Shakespeare Co.) with Y5&6 all day
- 26th & 27th - Parent Evenings 3.30-6pm
- 29th - 'Wear a Hat' day for brain cancer research

April

- 3rd - Y3/4 Easter production for parents - 2 PM
- 4th - School closes for Easter