



St Luke's News

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



26th May 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

There has been a real sense of purpose and positivity over the last few weeks in school, some of which (but by no means all) I have tried to show you in the newsletter this week. It takes two things to come together to achieve this, firstly the learning desires of the children – that thirst for knowledge which they have – and then secondly, the staff setting up exciting 'hooks' into new learning – experiences that let the children find out new learning and knowledge. I would like to say thank you to the staff because they really do put their heart and soul into doing the best for the children and as you will see below, it works wonders!

KS1 Party Time



Friday marked the end of the Y2 SATs tests and Y2 marked it with a picnic, ice cream, games and a silent disco. The children have worked hard all year on developing their core skills and took the tests this week. They may be the last Y2 children to take these as the Government's plan is that all children take a baseline assessment in YR and that the Y2 tests will not be needed, however it remains unclear whether next year the tests will go ahead or not.



Parents if your child appears to be overly worried or anxious about their world and the challenges in their lives then the NHS has developed an APP for your child called *Lumi Nova* which seeks to help them achieve targets by taking steps towards them with the aim of building their confidence and resilience – you can investigate it by opening the link below:

[Parents – Lumi Nova: Tales of Courage](#)

Poetry rewarded

The Y4s, as in previous years, entered the Mighty Oak Public Speaking run by the Diocese of Chelmsford and as previously they came away with a recognition of their fine work. Joshua won the Runners-up prize in the poetry section of the competition with his entry below, well-done Josh!

*Around the world, animals and people are dying everyday.
 Every second, health and wealth going away.
 Under the waves, sea animals suffocating in plastic and pain.
 Burnt like a crisp, forests dying in fire and flame.
 Before it's too late, change your actions TODAY.
 Like a rubbish bin, how people treat the world every day.
 Often, rubbish left on the ground and in the ocean with no care.
 Running out of time, plastic flowing in the ocean and pollution in the air.
 In their lives, people show no care and act so strange.
 Hopefully, people realise their foolishness and stop climate change.*



– By Joshua Year 4 St Luke's Primary School



Beware

Dear parents and guardians, we have become aware of a so-called 'Self-Improvement Guide' which has been shared between some students at the school.

The 'Guide' provides links to numerous YouTube videos and other resources, purporting to help users with, for example, diet and exercise, becoming more attractive, making money through drop shipping and the adult platform *Only Fans*, and a wide range of other topics. We are particularly concerned about the circulation of these materials because of references to the misogynist (women hater) influencer Andrew Tate.

Within school, we are trying to help students to develop healthy attitudes towards women and girls, and themselves. We also encourage students to evaluate critically any internet sources they encounter. We felt that you needed to know about the potentially widespread circulation of these materials so that you have some context, should you hear references to the 'Guide' at home, or see similar resources on your sons' phones or other devices. Also please watch out to see if your child is playing PUBG - **PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds** – this game has a suggested playing age of 13-16 years old.

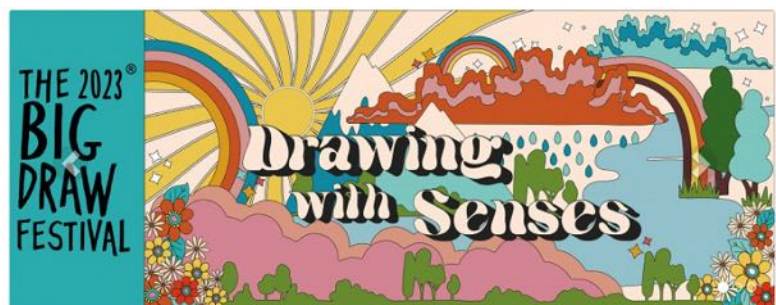
Holiday Competition

This week, one of our assemblies was taken over by colour! We used our senses to create a whole school piece of expressive art.

This holiday it's your turn!

We are setting a very special competition linking art and science.

Your task is to create your very own piece of art inspired by your senses and return it to Mrs Tarbuck by **Monday 5th June**, ready for our judging panel to announce the winners on Friday 9th June. This competition coincides with Mr Brown's Science week and celebrates what makes us all unique, allowing us to express how we experience the world around us using each and every sense. We can't wait to announce the winner and celebrate with some amazing prizes! Good Luck



Future Newham

Below is a message from Emma Deba-Smith, Senior Economic Regeneration Officer, London Borough of Newham:

"Just a note to say how wonderful it was to visit St. Luke's Primary school last Friday to deliver the Your Future, Your Newham – Construction Hoarding Art Project with Y5. Thank you for such a warm welcome and I must say how





bright, inquisitive, creative and polite your Year 5 students were – the art work that they designed for their future neighbourhoods of Newham was wonderful. This art work will be displayed on the construction hoarding of the Morgan Sindall construction site at Manor Road. Your students also seemed to really enjoy learning about architect Zaha Hadid, especially as she designed the Aquatics Centre where they have been having their swimming lessons.”

Learning through play and curiosity in the Nursery



Family Cinema event at St. Luke's Church



The Church Team are running a free Family Cinema event on Tuesday 30th May from 14:00 - 16:00 . A free family friendly afternoon with free popcorn, drinks and a new movie featuring some plumbing superheroes!. Please note that that children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.” – Jing



St. Luke's sporting triumph – again!

Congratulations to our fantastic Boys & Girls football teams on winning the Newham 6-a-side Football League 2022/23!

Their journey to this amazing victory started back in November 2022, when the league started. The first step was to finish top of their group and after playing 10 matches against 5 schools in the area, both our boys and girls teams did just that.

The next step was to compete in finals against the 3 other schools who also won their groups. So on Monday 22nd May, both our teams played three competitive matches to secure the 6-a-side titles. Our boys team were the clear winners after two wins and a draw but our girls had to hold their nerves to win a penalty shoot-out against School21. It is an amazing achievement, especially for our boys team, who only started training in Mr Adams football club back in February. This is the first time our boys have won the 6 Aside league. Well-done to the captains of both our teams for your amazing leadership skills and driving our teams to this memorable victory.

St Luke's is very proud of you all.



Champions of Newham!

The hearts were in our hands



Miss Koenig's Y5 class were investigating how a heart works. First of all they recognised how to raise a heartbeat and what it feels like and then...



...scan this QR code to see Y5 dissecting a lamb's heart to identify the four chambers and more!

Y3 Stone Age Cooking

Year 3 used their food preparation and wood-craft skills and to cook their very own stone-age stew



First prepare your veg...



Then add heat...



Then eat and enjoy the fruits of your work!

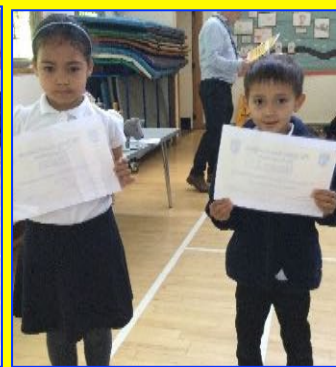
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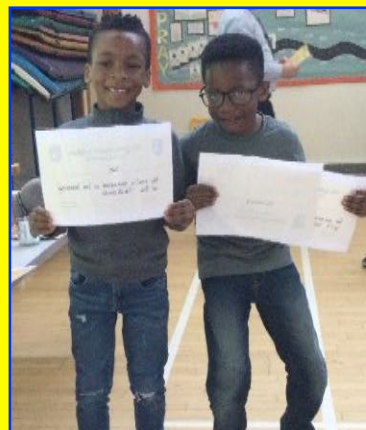
Happy Birthday Boys!



YR Goldens



Y1



Y2



Class of the week



Y3



Y4



Y5: Congratulations on passing your Piano 1st Grad exam with a distinction!



Our 'Design a maths game' prize winners

FREE Singing Workshop

The Church Team are hosting a FREE two day morning singing and performing activity for children in Key Stage 2 on Tuesday and Wednesday of the half-term. The children will then perform at a concert on Saturday 24th June. Thanks for those already signed up - there are still some spaces left should you want to join. See flyer at end of letter.

Diary Dates

29th May – 2nd June school closed for Half-Term

June

6th Y3/4 Cricket tournament

9th NSPCC Happy Mile – donations welcome

12th Y1 Phonic tests all week

19th Y4 Multiplication Tables Test

19th EYFS & KS1 Sports Day AM & KS2 Sports Day AM

20th KS2 Sports Day AM & KS2 Sports Day AM

21st Y6 Visit to the Ben Kinsella Exhibition @ Islington Library

30th Zero electricity, carbon free day – no tech!

July

3rd-5th Y6 Residential trip to Stubbers Adventure Centre

3rd- 14th Y4 Swimming Lessons @ Olympic Pool

7th AM End of Year Music Concert

12th Y6 Summer Production

14th PM St. Luke's Carnival Parents Welcome

17th-20th Walk to school week

18th Y6 leavers service

20th End of Year Awards

20th July School closes for Summer Holidays at 1pm

Have a peaceful week and see you back in school on Monday the 5th June at the normal time.



Matt Hipperson
Head Teacher

