



St Luke's News

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



19th December 2023



Christmas magic comes to Canning Town



St. Luke's finished off our Christmas celebrations with a whole week of events to say thank-you to our whole community. It was exhausting and exhilarating in equal measure and we hope that you and your families were able to sample some of the celebrations.

I would like to thank all the staff who have to go above and beyond at times to make up for the lack of funds and staff numbers that go with such a small school. But like the children, they are ambitious and think 'big' to ensure that our children get the best experiences possible.

We also say thanks to those members of our community who will be working over the holidays – from our Church team to the NHS staff in our community and those working in all sectors. We hope you get some time to yourself, a hug and a some rest!

Have a merry Christmas and we will see you back on the 4th January 2024! x

City Builders



Our Y4s were presented with medals by 'City Builders' – the project they have been working on with *Architecture in Schools*. Their brief was to think about what would make a good city of the future incorporating technology and also the features that humans covet so much such as green spaces – well-done Y4.

A week of Christmas festivities

Tuesday 12th December



The greatest event of all – The EYFS Nativity!

Wednesday 13th December

The Y6 carol singers raised £526 in an hour and a half at Waitrose in Canary Wharf for the River Church Foodbank

Thanks to all the Morrisons staff for all their help. Between the School and the Church we donated over £1,000 of food to the River Church Foodbank this December!



Thursday 14th December

Little Red Riding Hood Pantomime came to St. Luke's - and it was

LOUD!!! Also, the Y4s and Y5s went along and sang for the residents of 55 Ruscoe Rd.



Friday 15th December

Well done to all our talented musicians for another amazing music concert - The Winter Showcase. We were taken on a lovely journey and treated to lots of festive songs performed on the



piano, xylophone, guitar, saxophone and violin. There were also two beautiful vocal performances and a comical *Copy Me Drum battle* between one of our Year 3 students and an ex-student. The finale was a debut performance from our St Luke's Orchestra. It was a fantastic show.

*Thank you to all our performers, music tutors, our ex-student and parents and a special **thank-you** to Ms Adams. We are proud of you all.*

Music in St. Luke's is blooming ✨



Y1 before the show



And KS1 in action

Saturday 16th December

Newham Music held their *Winter Showcase Concert* at Lister School. It was a fantastic concert with over 80 performers taking part. This included one of our Year 4s and two of our ex-students (left), now in Year 11. Well done to all 3 of you, you have made St Luke's very proud.



Mon 18th December

Christingle – One of the most special assemblies of the year



After a long Autumn term where our students have worked incredibly hard, it was time to let our hair down so on Monday afternoon after a fantastic Christmas Dinner - it was **party time!!** There was art & crafts, computing, dance mats, movies, parties, outdoor games and disco. It was a fun packed afternoon, where KS1 & KS2 got to choose what they wanted to participate in.

Thank you to our amazing Kitchen Staff for a delicious Christmas dinner and all the staff for your hard work during a very busy afternoon.



Tuesday 19th December - End of Term Awards



KS1 Artists/Musicians & Vocalists of the term



YN, YR, Y1 & Y2 Best Boys & Girls



KS2 Best Boys & Girls



KS2 Architects, Vocalists, Singers and Artists of the Term



And sadly we say goodbye but hopefully see you again soon!

Please take a look at the flyers for church events over the holidays at the end of the newsletter -do come along!

And remember, school re-opens for children normal time Thursday 4th January 2024

Have a peaceful holiday

**Matt Hipperson
Head Teacher**

**SAT
16TH
DEC**

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Join us for an afternoon of food, games, Christmas stalls and entertainment!



**12:00
PM**

**SUN
17TH
DEC**

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Join us for our popular service full of traditional Christmas readings and carols.



**16:00
PM**

**WED
20TH
DEC**

CHRISTMAS CINEMA

Free Popcorn, Drinks and Movies.
Shows : 10:00, 11:00, 13:00, 16:00, 19:00.



**ALL
DAY**

**THUR
21ST
DEC**

FAMILY NATIVITY

Join a special interactive retelling of the Christmas Story! Fun for all ages!



**15:00
PM**

**SUN
24TH
DEC**

MIDNIGHT MASS SERVICE

Join us as we gather for a special Communion Service to mark God with us!



**11:00
PM**

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FREE

Christmas CINEMA

Wednesday 20th December
St Luke's Church, Ruscoe Road, E16 1JB

Time	Movie Description
10:00	The Big Bad Mouse doesn't exist... does he?
11:00	Let it Go and Singalong.. What else a' you going to do?
13:00	Will this green grump manage to steal Christmas?
16:00	Alone at home? A family comedy without the family.
19:00	Discover your inner elf.