



St Luke's News

Aspiring to be just and kind. Walking humbly with God.
Growing with every opportunity



7th March, 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

Shrove Tuesday

Ayobami Y4 and Jude Y5 led our worship on the meaning behind Shrove Tuesday. Ayo talked to the children about how by tradition we make pancakes because the recipe calls for fat (butter) and eggs - both of which were seen as luxury ingredients - and how this was symbolically important before Ash Wednesday and the season of fasting, prayer and renewal before Easter.



There was of course the annual pancake tossing competition and great fun was had. Jude taught us that Shrove Tuesday is a festival celebrated by Christians all over the world and called Mardi Gras in some places, which precedes Lent. He also told us that Shrove ('shrive') relates to confessing sins and receiving forgiveness. We thought about how we could make a difference to our class, community and family this Lent.

Ash Wednesday

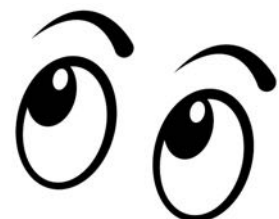
On Wednesday morning we explored the meaning behind the Ash Wednesday service and how it begins the 40 days of Lent up until Holy Thursday (not counting Sundays). In the afternoon Rev. Amy came in to tell us how she had made the ashes out of last year's palms and then 'marked' those children who are Christian and wanted to have Ashes as followers of Jesus by putting a cross on their forehead or hand.



Our prayers go out to the family of the 17 year old who was attacked near Morrison's last Saturday evening. We pray not only that he makes a full recovery but also that our community can become a safer and happier place for our young children to grow up in.

Reminder - Parent Meetings are 17th-20th March

Look out for a *Schoolpings* message next week to let you know when you can make the online booking to see your child's teacher.



World Book Day at St. Luke's – Friday 7th March



Friday saw our World Book Day celebrations with a special Mystery Reader assembly, visits to our temporary 'Bookstore' and loads of time to share our favourite stories with each other. It was a lovely day and special thanks goes to Mrs Tarbuck for the organising of it and Ms Joslyn for sorting the book sales. The pictures below give you a flavour of the day.



Nursery Fun!



Excitement builds... Here we go!





What's in the bag?



Never fear - Captain Underpants is here!



Books galore! Something for everyone...



Reading Picnic!



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Nursery Request

As an Eco-School we love to reuse and recycle whenever we can. If you have any unwanted or outgrown school uniform for Early Years (EYFS), we would love to have them as spare clothing for the children.

This could include:

 Jumpers & Cardigans

 Trousers & Skirts

 Socks & Tights

 Shoes

Please bring any donations to Nursery! Thank you.



In the News!



Y5 webinar with the author Michael Rosen



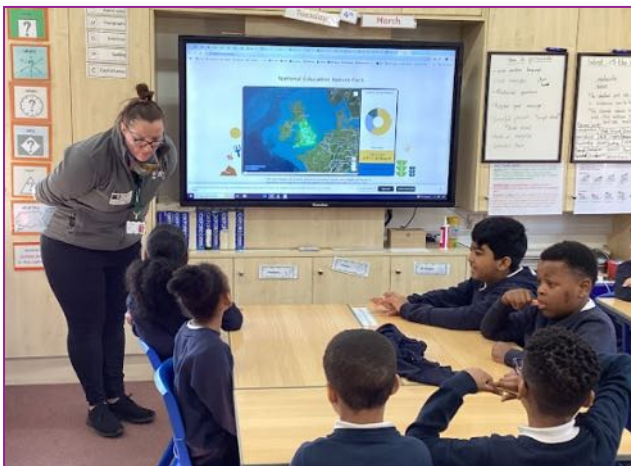
Cubist artwork in Y4



Y2s with Pepper



'Being with dogs makes me calm'



Y4s Climate workshop - And...



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Free confidential and non-judgmental
support for parents**

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- ◆ Guidance on special educational needs.
- ◆ Advocacy and help accessing local resources and services for their child and self.

We specifically support parents from Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic (BAME) groups whose children have complex needs and are vulnerable to grooming and exploitation.

Why Refer?

BecomeMe follows a multi-agency approach, working alongside you to enhance the support available to each child, helping them reach their full potential.

📌 Next Steps: Click [this link](#) to complete the referral form.

Date for your diary

Cakes & Convos, Coffee & Chats

**Friday 21st
March,
9-10.10am**

Don't miss it!





Spring 2025 Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK
Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each - Book Online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Schools can now buy a
FACE School Annual Membership
which means **ALL parents** and **ALL staff**
get unlimited **FREE access** to **ALL 16** parent talks

Thursday
24th April
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



Responding to Angry Behaviour
What can we do in the moment?

Tuesday
18th March
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Anxiety Explained
Anxiety, especially in our young is rising.
This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

Tuesday
3rd April
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD
Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
3rd April
19:00 - 20:30
£24



Improving Family Communication
How to reduce the shouting and arguing and start the talking.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Upcoming Dates

March

10th Safer Internet Week & British Science Week – with the famous St. Luke's Escape Room!

11th Maths Workshop for Reception parents 9am

12th Y5 visit to Tudor Museum

13th Phonics Stay & Play for Nursery parents

17th NSPCC Pants Week
17th Parent/Teacher meetings all week YR-Y6
18th CSI mystery solving workshops for Y1-6
19th London Youth Games
19th Switched on Assembly – safety by rail tracks
21st March Non-uniform day for Show the Red Card to Racism – Art Gallery & Assembly
24th -28th Nursery Parent meetings all week
26th Y6 on subsidized visit to Lion King show
27th Y5 visit Cody Dock
28th End of Term Music Concert
28th Anti gangs workshops for Y5 & Y6

April

2nd Y3/4 Easter performance for parents
3rd Easter egg raffle for the children
4th End of Term Assembly 9am
4th School closes for the Easter break at 1pm

Mon 7th April – Mon. 21st April – School closed for Easter Holidays – School reopens as normal on Tues 22nd April with breakfast and After-School clubs both running

Have a lovely and peaceful weekend

Matt Hipperson
Head Teacher