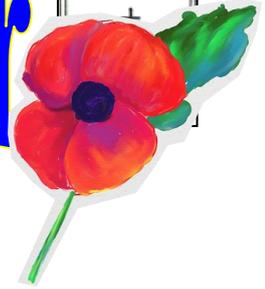




St Luke's Newsletter



Friday 11^h November, 2016

Dear Parents,

Another very busy week at St. Luke's draws to a close and once again our children have shone this week. The Y6s visited some sheltered accommodation housing and talked with some of the elderly residents about life in Canning Town now and in previous times. The staff were so proud and impressed with the depth of these conversations that we are trying to organise a regular link with the residents.

At Tuesday's assembly we presented Ahmad Ayoubi from StandbyMe, a cheque from our fundraising activities for an impressive £1292. This money will go towards the health and education of our sponsored children in Ethiopia and Burma.



StandbyMe Fundraising: Pupils present Ahmad with a cheque for a cool £1292



Question time: Y6 pupils grill local MP, Lyn Brown, as part of our Citizenship Week

On Thursday our Y5s and Y6s 'grilled' our local MP, Lyn Brown, for a very stressful 45 minutes and the rest of the school thrived on doing various tasks to help us realise the important place we have in the community. A massive thanks to Mr. Jennings for arranging all these events.

Next week sees Y5 going on two trips: one to Lea Valley (geography linked) and the other, a citizenship event, to Tate & Lyle's. Our Y3/4 boys will be playing a football match at Langdon's School on Wednesday and on Friday we will be raising money in aid of Pudsey Bear and *Children in Need* by having a non-uniform day.

OSHL: A reminder to let you know that next week will be our last week of OSHL clubs.



The new texting system should be up and running by next Thursday so you should start receiving text updates from us then. Could parents who have not completed and returned their Data Collection sheets, do so by Monday 14th please.

Reception places 2017: We are now taking applications for places for next year's Reception class and there will be a transition meeting (Nursery to Reception) on Tuesday 22nd November at 8.50am (please come along to the main office). If your child was **born between September 2012 and 31st August 2013** and you are interested in your child joining Reception, then please request a **Supplementary form** from the office. Applications can also be from parents of children outside of St. Luke's - so if you know of any friends or family who may be interested, then please let them know.

To finish the week, the children and Mr Durrant conducted a fantastic assembly on Remembrance Day. Our pupils were fantastic and reminded me again of what amazing children we have the privilege of working with. Afterwards, a small group of pupils laid a poppy wreath at our local Cenotaph in the old St Luke's Church. A big thank you also goes out to those parents who were able to join and support us on this very special day.

Have a good weekend

Matt Hipperson



Christmas Dates for Parents

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| Tues 13th Dec 09.15am: | Reception & Nursery Nativity dress rehearsal for school |
| Wed 14th Dec 09.15am: | Reception & Nursery Nativity performance for Parents |
| Wed. 14th Dec 2.15pm: | Y1 & Y2 'The Angry Innkeeper' dress rehearsal for school |
| Thurs 15th Dec 2.15pm: | Y1 & Y2 'The Angry Innkeeper' performance for Parents |

(KS2 classes will be performing a theatrical production after the SATs in July)

Fri 16th Dec: PM: Visiting Pantomime for the children

Mon 19th Dec PM: Christingle celebration

Tues 20th AM: **Christmas Assembly with Fr Dave**

Mon 12th Dec 2.15pm: KS2 Christmas Carol concert. Parents welcome!

Please remember: school closes at 1PM on the 20th December!