



St Luke's News

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



Friday 10th May, 2019

Dear Parents,

Well I'm sorry to start on a football note but I really can't carry on without mentioning the sporting 'miracles' from Liverpool and Tottenham this week.

What was really interesting (for me!) was that both triumphs were not just built on skill (in fact both times the opposition were more skilful) but belief and confidence in all the hard work both teams had put in before the game even kicked off. That makes me think of our Y6 and Y2 children as they get ready for their SATs exams: they have worked *phenomenally* hard to get ready for the tests and we have belief in them as they approach their 'matches'. I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the best and for them to unleash their power of belief. They are great children, and in the case of the Y6s, are one of the best Y6 classes I have seen in twenty years of working in schools – we all need to be very proud of them!



Our Women's FA Cup fans at Wembley

And carrying on with the theme of football ...

Last Saturday saw a group of staff take 20 children to Wembley Stadium to watch the Women's FA Cup Final between West Ham and Manchester City. A great time was had by all - though it would have been much better if West Ham had won.



A journey through time: Y5 at Benjamin Franklin's house

Dropping in on Mr Franklin

On Tuesday, Y5 visited a house in Westminster where Benjamin Franklin once lived. Franklin was a leading author, printer, political theorist, politician, freemason, postmaster, scientist, inventor, humorist, civic activist, statesman, and diplomat as well as becoming a leading proponent of America as it seceded from the British Empire in the 1770s. Opportunities to bring history and other subjects to life has always been a priority of this school and in our training session this week we worked on how to make next year's visits as relevant and inspiring as possible.



Respectful Parking

As a close knit community, we often need to rely on one another's good will as we move through our daily lives. So I would like to make a plea to all parents to respect the property of local residents – I received a complaint this week from one of our neighbours who had found a car belonging to one of our parents blocking their drive-way. I am sure you realise this is unacceptable and that it is extremely important that we respect all private property.

Tik Tok APP

For your information I've attached (see link below) an information factsheet about a new video sharing APP called 'TikTok' that your child may come into contact with. If your child likes to use social media it may be of interest to you. (You can find this pdf with other parental advice sheets on our E-Safety page of our website).

[Child Safety on TikTok: Parent Factsheet pdf](#)

And finally, our Golden Assembly



Have a lovely weekend - and if your child is in Y6, please have a restful one too!

Matt Hipperson

Head Teacher

Summer Term Dates

May

13th Y6 EGPS & Spelling SAT test AM

14th Y6 Reading SAT test AM

15th Y6 Arithmetic & Reasoning paper 1 SATs tests AM

16th Y6 Reasoning paper 1 SAT test AM

20-24th KS1 SATs all week

22nd Met Police visiting Y5&6 about staying safe on our streets

23rd Nursery closed all day for European Elections

23rd Y5/6 Girls football finals

27th – 31st School Closed for Half-Term

June

3rd School re-opens

4th June AM Sex & Relationships schemes of work available for Parents to look at in main hall with Governors and school nurse present

4th KS2 Sports Day at the London Stadium (Track by the side of West Ham)

6th Y6 trip to see the School of Rock PM

7th Y6 Begin 6 weeks of Friday PM rowing on Victoria Dock

11th-14th Y6 residential trip to St. Mark's College

11th & 12th Phonics test and pilot Multiplication Tables test for Y4

17th June Big Sing at Chelmsford Cathedral

18th Y6 trip to Tout Le Monde at the BFI

19th Summer Reading Challenge Assembly

20th EYFS (AM) & KS1 (PM) Sports Day

21st Y4 trip to school in France

24th June Sex & Relationship Education Week

25th Y6 trip to Ben Kinsella workshop AM

26th Y5 trip to Unicorn Theatre – Aesop's Fables

27th St. Luke's Got Talent!

July

1st Chief Nurse of England visiting to talk to KS2 PM

1st-5th Innovation week including a 'Careers Event' for Y6

2nd July SEND Sports day with 6 local schools.

5th July St Luke's Music Assembly 9am parents invited

8th & 9th 'Peace At Last' opera performances for EY & KS1

11th Y5/6 Summer production 5pm parents invited

12th July International Evening 4-6pm

16th July Exhibition Evening (parents able to look at their child's work and where they are going next year 3.30-6pm)

18th Y6 Leavers assembly 9am

19th School closes for the summer at 1pm