



St Luke's Newsletter



Friday 8th June 2018



Dear Parents,

We've ended another exciting week with our annual *Outdoor Classroom day*: a series of fun activities and learning all done outside the classroom. Y6 followed a maths trail around the school grounds, Y5 developed their fire making (and popcorn making!) skills along with bird-house making and camp building. Whilst Y1 had a particularly exciting time when they took a trip to their purpose built beach as part of their *Awesome Seaside Home* topic. Fantastic weather made for a great time.

This week has also seen some of our Y6s completing the special Science SATs I mentioned last time. After completion, the children involved showed the external administrator around our school and he was really impressed with both our children and the school. So well-done Y6s!

Thanks to all those Y1 & Y2 parents who were able to come in and work with their children during our maths lessons this week - it is so important that we 'all' work together to understand how to help 'our' children achieve their best.

Our twelve Y5 & Y6 '*Brilliant Club*' children have now completed their assignments and will have their 'graduation' service in Oxford in July to look forward to.

Road Markings

John our lollipop man has delivered! He spoke to his bosses about the inadequacy of safety markings on Ruscoe Road and they have begun to refresh and update the markings. Thanks John!

Y6 Residential Trip

Next week I will be away taking the Y6s on a residential trip to St Mark's College in Saffron Walden with Mr Durrant, Miss Martin, Miss Norcross and Mr. Scott. This is the first time the school has taken Y6 to this venue. However I have been before and am sure we are going to have a great time as the children prepare themselves for moving on to secondary.

Young Gardener of the Year

Shreya from Y2 was nominated by Mr. Scott to be the Royal Horticultural Society's 'Young Gardener of the Year 2018'. In May she was shortlisted in to the last 4 nominees and was asked to submit a short video explaining what she and the school do. We are incredibly proud to announce that Shreya has won the title and will have to go to Kew Gardens with her family to pick up the award!

SRE

Sex and Relationship Education (the government's title for this part of the curriculum) is a statutory part of the curriculum and as a school we have bought in to a PSE scheme that includes elements of SRE from YR-Y6. This can be from keeping yourself clean in Reception (brushing teeth every day) to basic biology in KS2. We will teach this as a block over the week of 25th June. To get ready for this we will display the lesson plans for each year group at a coffee afternoon at 2.45pm on Monday June 11th in the main hall - all welcome.

Online Payments

From Monday June the 4th we have moved to making all payments to the school via our online system - this includes breakfast clubs. This was a recommendation from our financial audit last year because it is seen as a financially safer way to deal with payments. If you are at all worried about this, please do not hesitate to speak to the office staff who have a leaflet that will walk you through the process.

Have a great weekend

Matt Hipperson



Newham KS2 6-Aside League Runners Up

Outdoor Classroom Day

