



St Luke's News

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



14th July 2023

The Y6 Stubbers Edition

Dear Parents & Carers,



The previous week, 3rd July to Wednesday the 5th July, saw our Y6s enjoy their residential break at *Stubbers Adventure Camp* in Upminster. It is always an exciting time for Y6s and a lovely reward after so much hard work during the year. I had the pleasure of accompanying them alongside Mr. Brown, Miss Mbick, Miss McCarthy and Miss Martin before Miss Norcross and Mr. Scott replaced me on the Tuesday evening.

The great thing about this trip is 95% of it is outdoors confronting tasks such as climbing up a 20 foot high vertical pole and trying to stand on a tiny platform on the top! Even with a safety harness on this takes great bravery and perseverance and one boy especially who was upset by not quite achieving the previous task battled through the frustration to get to the top – it took my breathe away to realise he had such mental strength! Next

year we will be going in early June so Y5 parents ask your Y6 friends about how good it was. Below is an account from Jerome, one of our Y6 children, along with some pictures:

'On Monday, we arrived and we got all set in our own cabins. The cabins were a bit scary at night! We told scary stories to each other and had some sleepless nights! All our own fault!'





On our first day, we also had lunch and it was really good (chicken breast with rice and sweet curry sauce)! After dinner, we had evening activities which were enjoyed by all (racing, running with hoop and bean bag in your hand and bean bag toss).

On Tuesday, we woke up to play football and have breakfast and do loads of activities such as; archery, the leap of faith obstacle (see above) and of course laser tag (see below).

Lunch was amazing as always and the dessert was a treat!



On Wednesday, we went kayaking and then moved onto team building activities. In team building we had to work together to move huge heavy tyres to another place. We had to work together, compromise and communicate to be successful!



Someone had to fall in - Poor Miss Mbick!!

Sadly at 3.30 on Wednesday it was time for us to leave Stubbers and return to school. I will remember this residential forever! My favourite part was when we played Robin Hood at the archery! I even got a bullseye!



Nursery Graduation – congratulations to our wonderful students and of course...



their families!!!!



Coding - together



It was lovely seeing our Y5s be the teachers this week as they helped our Y2s with some coding lessons.

The Summer Reading Challenge is here!

This year it will be even more of a challenge as the local library in Canning Town is closed until the middle of August.

Luckily, other local libraries are still open!

Why not try the **Custom House Library** for a change? This is open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays.

Please remember, Newham residents are welcome in any library or idea store! Go and explore your libraries and the books they have to offer!

When we arrive back in September, we look forward to celebrating all of your hard work and handing out all of the medals and certificates to share your reading achievements.



We have done it again!! St Luke's Boys & Girls football teams have won the 2022/23 Newham 9 Aside league. Well done to all our amazing children for a brilliant performance on



Thursday 13th July, where they won all their games to finish **top of the group** and be crowned the 9-a-side champions. This has come 5 weeks after winning the 2023/23 Newham 6 Aside league. Well done to both our teams on winning the double. St Luke's is very proud of you.

Visiting students



Last week, we were blessed to have some of our ex-students return – Levi, Christian, Samuel and Nathan to St Luke's for their Year 10 work experience. As well as helping in the Ks1 & Ks2 classrooms, they talked about their experiences in secondary school in assembly and taught a PE

lesson in Year 1. Thank you for your hard work this week, we really appreciate it and we are always so glad to see our returning alumni.

*We are very fortunate to have had many wonderful students pass through our school. Many will have fond memories and some of may like to visit or even volunteer to help out at the school. If that is the case, please visit our **Alumni** page on 'About Us' on our website or go to [St Luke's Alumni](#). We'd love to hear from you!*

Staffing and transition day

Next Monday the 17th July the children will visit their teachers for next year inside their new classroom, so it will be an exciting day for all.

Summer Music Concert

On Monday 17th July, St Luke's will be having their Summer Music Concert at 9.15am. Over 40 of our children, who have been learning an instrument at St Luke's, will be showing off their musical talents. There will be performances on the piano, saxophone, drums, trumpet and vocals. There will also be performances from some of our ex students who have gone on to study music in their secondary schools. Please come and join us in this musical celebration. Information about how to sign your child up for music lessons will also be available. Please see Ms Adams.

And finally...

St Luke's End of Year awards assembly will be on Thursday 20th July @ 9am. Please come and join us in celebrating our Best Boy & Girl from each class, our best Mathematicians, Scientists, Creative Writers and French language learners in KS1 & KS2 as well as achievements in other areas. We have lots to celebrate at St Luke's, we hope to see you there.

Before you go, please take a moment to check out the 3 flyers at the end of the letter and our remaining term dates.

Have a peaceful weekend and see you on Monday



Matt Hipperson
Head Teacher

Upcoming Dates

July 14th PM St. Luke's Carnival Parents Welcome

July 17th AM End of Year Music Concert

July 19th AM Y6 leavers service

July 20th End of Year Awards

July 20th School closes for Summer Holidays at 1pm

School's Out Take an emotional health check



Head into the summer with a better understanding of your **child's brain development** and their **emotional wellbeing** as you support them into their next new phase.

FACT

Our brains develop most rapidly in childhood shaping our emotional health and wellbeing for the rest of our lives.

HERE FOR YOU

Online courses developed by clinical psychologists can help you to **understand your child**, **read their behaviour** and **help them look after their emotional health**.



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Understanding your child online course has been paid for by **Newham Council**, so you can access it **completely free** using the code **NEWFAM**

Short courses on **Understanding the impact of the pandemic on your child or teenager** also included.



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SUMMER HOLIDAY PLAYScheme

TERENCE BROWN ARC

Hermit Road Park, Bethell Avenue, E16 4JT

FREE for all 7 to 11 years olds

From 10am to 3pm

From Monday 24th July - To Friday 18th August



Activities Include: Adventure Play, Outdoor Games, Sports, Workshops, Competitions, Arts & Crafts and MUCH MUCH MORE!

Booking required before attending - One week only per child

Places allocated on a first come, first served basis

Delivered by experienced, DBS checked Playworkers

Unfortunately the scheme is unsuitable for young people with SEND due to staffing levels

Contact us now for further details and to book a place:

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PLAYWHEELS MOBILE PLAYSCHEMES

Summer Holidays

FREE for all 5 to 11 years olds

Running 11am to 3pm in parks across Newham

From Monday 24th July (see overleaf for timetable)

No booking
required



Make new
friends!



Activities Include: Basketball, Hockey, Football, Volleyball,
Giant Games, Parachute Games, Cricket, Arts and Crafts
AND MUCH MUCH MORE!

Scheme is outdoors and will not operate in poor weather
Limited places each day - allocated on a first come first served basis
Open access playscheme - children can come and go as they wish
(it is not a childcare scheme)

An adult must stay with children under 8 at all times

Contact us now for further details:

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