

# St Luke's Newsletter



Friday 11th May 2018



### Dear Parents.

This week our KS1 (Y2) children have been taking SATs tests in grammar and mathematics. They will complete their tests in two weeks time when they take the reading papers. We have deliberately taken a low-key approach to these tests and can report the children have done their best and had a fun time including extra breakfasts!

Next week sees the Y6 SATs running from Monday to Thursday. For these we would like the children to come in at 7.45am for a revision session, then at 8.30am they will get a cooked breakfast followed by some exercises outdoors taken by Ms Adams before sitting the tests. Again, as much rest as possible over the weekend would be an enormous help to the children. We are immensely proud of the children and their families and all the hard work they have put in, now we all need to pray for them to simply do their best as that is all that you can ask of anyone!

# Sporting Achievement

I am sure by now you think I am making this up but once again we have tremendous sporting news to tell you. On Wednesday our mixed Y1/Y2 football team took part in The Borough Football Competition and qualified from our group, won in their quarter and semifinals but unfortunately narrowly lost the final. 'Runners-Up' perhaps, but even that is a big success for such a small school. Well done to the children and staff.



### Daily Mail Journalists

Because of our growing reputation for ecology we are finding ourselves in the national news a lot. In July, BBC and ITV television presenter **Julia Bradbury** (Countryfile) will be coming to the school to film an article for *Keep Britain Tidy* which will be demonstrating how to successfully involve children in caring for their environment. **In tomorrow's Daily Mail newspaper** (& online version) there will be an article about a large group of our children helping to recycle carelessly disposed plastic waste that is causing our planet so many

problems - if the article doesn't make the Saturday edition it will be in on Monday so look out for it!

# Painting the School Benches

A few weeks ago our Eco Team wrote to a number of local stores asking for help for Y6's painting project later this month (restoring and painting the benches in and around our playground). Wickes on Manor Road promptly replied and manager Peter Kelley invited the children around to the store to collect pots of paint, brushes, sandpaper and sheeting. A great big thank you to Wickes for their kind generosity.



### Online Payments

From Monday June the 4<sup>th</sup> we would like all payments to the school to be made via our online system - this is to include 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 or myself.

### And finally...

We only have a few book bags left and once they have gone they will only be available through the Tesco website (£5).

https://www.tesco.com/direct/st-lukes-primary-school/16834.school?t=1504861666649&source=others

Have a great weekend!

# Matt Hipperson



### Forthcoming Dates

W/O 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> May KS1 SATs

W/O 14th May KS2 SATs

Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> May Y1 class assembly

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> May Y6 (except boy footballers) & some selected children to Aladdin

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> June Maths with parents in class KS1 8.45-9.30

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> June-Fri 15<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Residential to St. Mark's – MH SM PD & other staff at times

Tues 19th June Teaching & Learning review led by independent inspector

Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> June Sports Day YR-Y5 run by Y6s - Gov's invited (separate Y6 event TBC)

29<sup>th</sup> June EYFS data returns

29th June 'French' Day see NM

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> July Y6 to London Stadium for Sports journalism day

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> July Y5 to London Stadium for Sports journalism day

Thurs. 5<sup>th</sup> July New to YR meeting for parents 5.30pm

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> July International Evening

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> & Mon 16<sup>th</sup> July Transition mornings 9.30-10.30

W/O 9th July YR home visits & EY Teddy Bears Picnic TBC

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> July KS2 SATs results released

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> July Y6 End of Year Performance** 

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Rowing Royal Albert Dock

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> July Tribal Quality mark inspection for English and Maths

Mon-Tues 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July parent meetings 3-6pm

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> July Nursery closes followed by Home Visits for next 3 days

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Leavers party 1-3pm

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Leavers assembly 9am

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July School closes for summer at 1pm