



St Luke's News

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



Friday 8th March, 2019

Dear Parents,

We have had another busy time during this special week for Christians. Our Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday worship times blended the fun of pancake making with the history of the occasions and the lessons from the forty days Jesus spent in the desert before beginning his public ministry.

This is a time for us to think more about our God, our faith and the example we set to others. We also spoke with the children about how some adults 'give up' things for Lent but we have encouraged the children to 'take something up' and make their world a better place!



World Book Day Celebrations - Dress up day

We like to be a little different at times so we are celebrating World Book Day next Friday, (15th March) and children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite book character. As well as this, we will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair on that Friday and the following Monday 18th March at which you can purchase books. We will then top everything off with a sponsored reading challenge running from the 15th to 22nd March to raise money for our nominated charity 'Stand By Me' which supports schools in Africa. More details next week!

Great British Clean and Radio 5 live

On Thursday, staff from *Keep Britain Tidy* and *Radio 5 Live* came to visit and interview our now famous Eco Committee to record a show which will be broadcasted on Radio 5 Live sometime in the coming months (as soon as we know the date, we'll let you know) and during the week of the 18th March we will once again be taking part in the national *Great*

British Clean in our local community – many thanks to Mr. Scott and our fantastic committee.

Fr. Dave Wade

You might not be aware yet but St. Luke's Church vicar Dave Wade is moving on after having received a promotion from the Diocese of Chelmsford. Dave has been working closely with the school for 24 years and will be a very hard act to replace. Whilst we congratulate him on his promotion, we will miss him lots and with that said, we will be hosting a community meal for him on **Thursday the 28th March** to which we would like to invite parents. He will also make some time to go round all the classes for a goodbye chat. If you would like to come for lunch and wish him all the best, please let the office know.

Youtube guidance

Last week I wrote to you about some problems with children potentially accessing inappropriate material. With that in mind, Mrs Koenig - our Computing Lead - has attached some simple guidance to ensure parental controls can be put onto devices. I will share these over the next few weeks starting today: 'How to put controls on your YouTube account', a pdf download of instruction is available on our website (About Us > E-Safety), or follow this link: <http://www.st-lukes.newham.sch.uk/page/?title=E%2DSafety&pid=37>

I hope you have a prayerful start to the Lenten season

Matt Hipperson



Community Games participants from this week's tournament featuring Tag Rugby, Hockey, Curling and Netball



This week's Golden Assembly Stars



The Y6 hockey group with a member of the English Hockey team

And finally...

Early Years cake sale on Friday to raise money for Stand By Me

