



St Luke's News

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

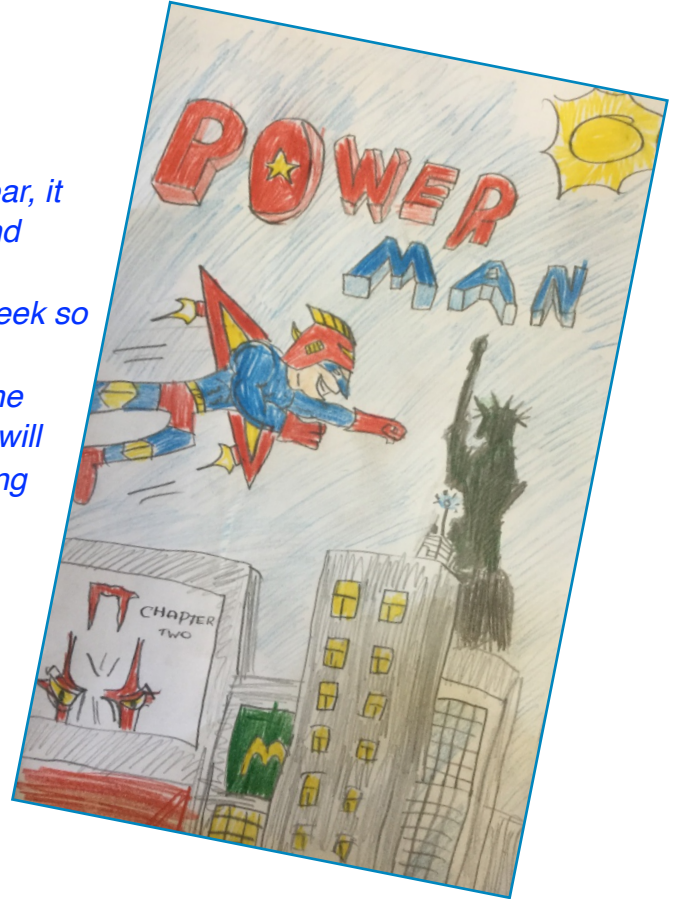


20th September 2019

Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of the third week of the year, it would seem that we are all sharing new germs and viruses – children and staff! Some of us, myself included, have been running on half power this week so we are in need of a visit from our friend in the wonderful cartoon drawn by a Y6 child at lunchtime this week. However if he doesn't turn up then we will just rely on our powers of perseverance (something we have been looking at all week in worship).

We looked again at the story of Abebe Bikila from Ethiopia, who overcame extreme poverty to win back-to-back Olympic Marathons – running bare foot! We have also been talking about how the Rugby World Cup has begun and we have fingers crossed for England, especially as one of their best players has two cousins in our school!



Amy and the Bishop

We look forward to meeting and working with the new Vicar of St. Luke's Church, Amy Stott. Amy has helped in the school for many years in the past and knows us well, so this is a very exciting development for the school but we also realise, as the new Vicar, she will be caring for the whole community - young and old! We hope to have her in post after Christmas. Meanwhile, on October 15th, the Bishop of Chelmsford, the Right Reverend Stephen Cottrell, is coming to visit and preparations are on-going.

Breakfast club

At the end of this newsletter is a flyer advertising our breakfast club which is up and running for children from YR-Y6.

Exercise/Fitness class for Parents

A reminder to parents that there is a free fitness session on Monday and a free Yoga session on Thursday for parents – both sessions are 3.30-4.30pm. If you have children to look after they can be placed in after school care for £3.

Photos: Friday 4th October

Tempest photographers will be here on Friday the 4th October to take individual and family photographs – class photos will follow in the Summer term.



Harvest Festival

Next Thursday sees our Harvest Festival at 9am and all parents are welcome to attend. This year we are collecting tins of food to donate to the Franciscan Friars kitchen nearby that feeds local poor and homeless people. If you can donate something, could it be one of the following:

Tins of beans (not just baked but also other types of beans/pulses), squash, tins of tomatoes, rice and pasta spirals and any form of tinned vegetables.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

There is a coffee morning for parents and children in the main school hall next Friday to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Nurses. These nurses help support families and individuals struggling with cancer and are a vital help in difficult times. Parents are very welcome to attend from 8.45-9.30pm.

Meet the Teacher

Thanks to all those parents who attended our *Meet the Teacher* sessions for Y1, 2, 3 & 5 this week. It was a great chance for me to have a quick chat with you and more importantly for you to develop that home-school partnership with your child's teacher. Y6 are having a SATs meeting next Wednesday at 5 pm in the hall.

We are having to make alternative arrangements for Y4 as Miss Sammon, who was called up for Jury service this week, has now been told she will be on a case that could last to the end of November! I will write to Y4 parents separately to let them know the staffing arrangements next week.

And *Golden Assembly Families* for this week...



Have a great weekend and enjoy the rugby

Matt Hipperson

Head Teacher

St-Luke's Primary School Breakfast Club

From Reception to Year 6.

**Time- 7.30 to 8.30 Monday to Friday £2.00 per day
(breakfast to be ordered by 7.55)**

Prices includes



- Egg on toast or beans on toast
- Cereals with milk
- Toast with jam and butter

Drinks

- Apple and orange juice
- Hot and cold milk

Supervised Activities by Mrs Aulakh and Mrs Cole.



Bring your child/children to breakfast club and they will start the day with a healthy breakfast ready to make the most of their learning.

Autumn Term Dates 2019

September -

25th Y2 visit Florence Nightingale Museum

25th Y6 African Mask Workshop PM

25th SATs meeting for Y6 parents 5pm in hall

26th SEND Sportsday - St. Luke's hosting event

27th Macmillan Coffee morning 8.45-9.30am parents welcome

28th Music School starts again every Sat. until Sat 7th Dec. except half-term

October - 1st Y6 booster sessions begin in mornings

2nd Y6 class assembly parents welcome

4th School photos - individuals and siblings

7th & 8th Bikeability Y4

8th Black History workshops for Ys 3,4&5

9th Y5 class assembly parents welcome

9th Mary Seacole workshop in hall PM

15th Bishop Stephen visits the school - parents welcome

16th Y2 class assembly parents welcome

16th Big Soup community event

19th NSPCC 'Pants Day' fundraiser - non-uniform day

19th School closes normal time for Half-Term

28th Mon school closed for training

29th Tues school re-opens for children as normal

29th Young Shakespeare Co. working in school with Y5&6

31st Closing date for secondary applications from Y6 children

November

4th Y6 visit to the Foreign Office AM

5th Moving to Reception 2020 meeting for YN parents 9am - This is a change from original date

6th Y4 class assembly parents welcome

7th Y5 Rivers & Lakes day Hertfordshire

11th Y5 trip to Houses of Parliament

11th SEND coffee morning 8.45 am parents welcome

19th & 20th Parent meetings 3.30 -6pm

20th Y3 class assembly 29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

27th Y1 class assembly 29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

28th YR theatre to visit - The Gruffalo Stratford Circus

29th Y1 theatre to visit - The Gruffalo Stratford Circus

29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

December

W/O 2nd Y6 Mock SATs

6th Nursery Christmas craft stay and play 29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

9th Carol Singing off-site

11th EYFS Christmas production 2.30pm 29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

12th Christmas Jumper day and Christmas dinner for children

13th Jack n the Beanstalk Panto for whole school

16th Carol Singing off-site

18th KS1 Christmas production

19th Christingle service 9am parents welcome

19th PM Children's Christmas parties

20th St. Luke's closing date for applications to start YR Sept. 2020

**20th School closes @ 1pm for Christmas holidays- Dinner for the Homeless
@ 2pm - school re-opens for children Tues 7th January**