



# St Luke's News

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



9th July 2021

Dear Parents & Carers

*It seems the disruption from Covid 19 has no end as we have had to have four KS2 classes working from home this week (there are over 2,000 children in Newham alone having to isolate).*

This happened in the same week the government has told us all restrictions are ending in just over a week's time. Hopefully, the summer holidays will provide a barrier to the further spread in schools and we hope to get back to normal as soon as we can do so safely in September. The final guidance to Headteachers will not be received by us until the 24<sup>th</sup> August, so our final guidance cannot be issued until then. My instinct is that we will open and close in September as we have opened and closed all this year until the school feels it is safe enough to go back to the freer pre-Covid ways from early 2020.

## Euros Final



Sunday sees the final of the Euro Football Tournament between England and Italy. Both teams have represented their countries magnificently and the quality of the football has been excellent. The English manager Gareth Southgate has especially impressed with both his handling of the football decisions and in his attempts to bring the country together in one voice after some difficult years. For this reason I am hoping England win – remember I was born in Canada, to us the only real game is Ice Hockey!



## End of this year

With KS2 returning on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July, that will only leave us 6 & ½ days to properly end the year for all children. The jobs to be completed in this short space of time include:

- **EYFS Picnic and Graduation - 13th**
- **EYFS Carnival - 14th**
- **All reports out to parents by 16th**
- **Sex Education lessons for all year groups from YR to Y6**
- **Y6 farewell trip to Adventure Island and overnight camp - 16th**
- **Bouncy castle day for all children - 19th**
- **Y6 Leavers show entitled *Pantastic* coupled with leavers ceremony - 20th, 5-7pm**
- **School closing for Summer at 1pm on Wednesday. 21<sup>st</sup> July.**

## Holiday Club

St. Luke's will not be running a Summer School this year as we do not have the money to do so. Apologies.

The government have centralised funding and provision into a scheme called HAF (Holidays & Food) which is eligible to those families who qualify for Free School Meals or are considered 'Vulnerable' – I have sent out a message on *Schoolping* to those families who qualify. Ascension Church in Custom House are offering a subsidised 1 week of clubs per child for £10 and lastly Hallsville School's Summer club may have some spaces for children from our school. If you are looking for a place email me on [ht@st-lukes.newham.sch.uk](mailto:ht@st-lukes.newham.sch.uk)

## Maths Week

Maths is something we are always working hard to improve in our school. We have spent the last couple of weeks adapting our curriculum for next year so it best addresses the gaps that have been caused by 16 months of disruption in schools. Alongside this we have worked hard to ensure booster programmes for the next school year targeted at those who need it the most. But maths should be fun as well as functional so during the week of 28<sup>th</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> July we held a Maths Week aimed at helping the children have fun solving problems outside of their classrooms. See below for some pictures of the children using their maths skills in the wider world



Y1 Pirate Maths

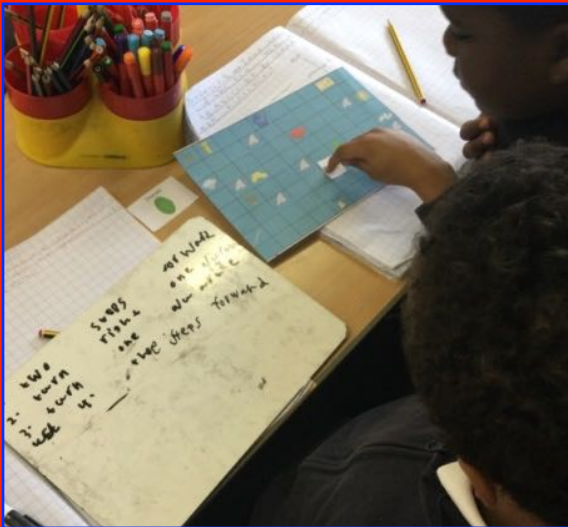


Y2 data collecting data on the amount of traffic using Rathbone St



Y1 Pirate Maths

Y2 using coordinates to find treasure



Y3 using division and fraction skills to make their own pizzas





Y4 contrasting different readings between traditional and new ways to detect temperatures

### Street Tags News

Woo hoo St Luke's!! We have hit the 4 million points mark and are still going strong. That is fantastic from the smallest school in Newham - and the fittest!! Keep on going, we still have 3 weeks left!! Lets make it 5 million points by the end of next week. Keep active and keep collecting those points. Prizes for the top scorers in each class. ***Come on St Luke's!!***



### Sports Days

Last week saw a week of non-stop sports with 4 Bubble Sports Days!!! A massive well done to all our St Luke's Competitors - Year 1&2, Year 3&4, Year 5&6 and our littlest competitors, Nursery & Reception! And a big thank you to all the Year 5&6s who helped to lead the KS1 & 3&4 Sports Days. You were brilliant, thank you. Everyone was outstanding and made me, Ms Adams (and your parents and teachers), proud.



## Golden Assembly



**YR**



**Y1**



**Y2**

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the football...if you can!

Matt Hipperson  
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