



# St Luke's News

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



19th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Anti-Bullying Week

The single biggest concern for most parents is the chance that their child might be bullied in and out of school. This week we fully engaged with *Anti-Bullying Week* using a series of assemblies, drama workshops and lessons to help the children realise that they can be in charge when it comes to this challenging issue. The children practised power poses to build up their self-belief and we talked about the power of talking to trusted friends. Thanks to Ms Davies for organising the workshops.



As a community it is up to all of us to help our children realise behaviour that they shouldn't tolerate and as a school it is our mission to understand that bullying can happen anywhere, anytime and it is incredibly important for us to remain vigilant and deal speedily with any situations.

## Message from the Institute of Imagination – our partners in creativity

*"Thank you again for having us working in Y3 & Y4 this week, it's always a pleasure coming in and working with your pupils. Every week as a team we share something that's inspired us and James mentioned how amazing it was that Year 4 pupils all made signs with the Microbits software designed to help people – without much prompting from us!"*

*Kind wishes,"*

*Nileema Yesmin*

*iOi at Home Programme Manager Newham*

## Christmas Events

We are in the run in towards Christmas and in pre-covid times that would have meant a lot of opportunities for parents to come into the school whether for Nativity plays or the Christingle service. We are desperate to have you back but we will have to wait much nearer to the events before making a decision on whether it is safe for all to come in. If we have to hold the events without parents we will film them so you can still feel some of the Christmas spirit.

## Education 4 Change

This week Ms Mbick attended some *Education 4 Change* training at Dersingham Primary as our school ambassador for change. Ms Mbick is working closely with our newly formed **Justice Committee** (see last week's newsletter) and the staff at Dersingham were blown away by the vision and work going on in our small school – we are definitely punching above our weight. Below is news of a grant we have earned to further our work in this area from another organisation we work with called *Game Changers*:

*"I am delighted to let you know that we can offer your school a grant of up to £1,000 for your next Game Changers social action project. Ahead of giving you the grant we would love to hear from your Justice Committee about their social action project ideas and what they would intend to spend the funding on. We would love to come in and meet them in person if possible (covid permitting, we may have to move to Zoom) Once they have some ideas of what they would like to do with the money (and to see your Racial Justice display of work if it is still up!) We would love to write a special case study about your school and the amazing work of your students, we look forward to working with you on the next social action project! Best wishes and look forward to hearing from you,  
Lottie – Game Changers"*



On Friday we celebrated Pudsy Bear and *Children in Need* by have a 'One-zie' day

with all donations going to *Children in Need*. All of the children had a 'bedtime' story read to them – thanks to all the readers and Mrs Tarbuck for organising it.



Pupils enjoying face-painting, fun and 'bedtime' stories

### Dental help for YN,YR &Y1



The Dental Team are due to visit YN, YR & Y1 children at St Luke's on Thursday 6th January 2022. They would like parents to complete the online consent forms following the link provided below;

[NHS School Dental programme form](#)

The cutoff date for the forms to be completed online is **Sunday 28th November 2021**. Oral health improvement programmes are commissioned by Public Health England and *it is vital children take part to maintain Oral Health*.

### It's a fair cop!

PC Scott Jones visited Y5 &6 children on Thursday to talk to them about staying safe on the streets. He even got his cuffs out to arrest a 'stropky' Y6 boy! We will arrange another visit in the summer for the Y6s as they get ready for the move to Secondary School.







### Y3 meet Michael Rosen

On Thursday morning the Y3s were able to meet the famous author Michael Rosen and had a great time finding out about how he wrote some of his most famous books.

## Golden Assembly Celebration Time

(Y5 were out today on an educational visit for their Rivers topic)



YRec



Y1



Y2



Y3



Y4



Y6

Please check out the diary dates below and two flyers from Newham regarding online training for parents

Have a safe and happy weekend

Matt Hipperson

Head Teacher

#### KEY UPCOMING DATES

**23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. Y5 To Victoria & Albert Museum & Y6 to Young Citizen workshops at Tate & Lyle**

**25<sup>th</sup> Nov. Author Chidera Eggerue visits Y5&6**

**29<sup>th</sup> Nov. Victorian & Albert Museum staff visiting Y5**

**30<sup>th</sup> Nov. Y3 visiting Colne Engaine Primary Colchester**

**9<sup>th</sup> Dec. Sleeping Beauty Pantomime for all children**

**9<sup>th</sup> Dec. 4.30 pm Christmas Carols & snacks around the fire pit in the playground**

**10<sup>th</sup> Dec. last day of After School clubs before Christmas**

**14<sup>th</sup> Dec. 9am EYFS Nativity show for parents**

**15<sup>th</sup> Dec. Choir singing carols at 55 Ruscoe Rd. 2pm**

**16<sup>th</sup> Dec 9am KS1 Christmas show for parents**

**17<sup>th</sup> Dec. PM EYFS & KS1 Christmas parties for children**

**19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 6pm Choir singing at St. Luke's Church Carol Service**

**20<sup>th</sup> Dec. 9am Christingle service led by Rev. Amy**

**20<sup>th</sup> Dec. PM KS2 Christmas parties for children**

**21<sup>st</sup> Dec AM End of Term achievement assembly**

**21<sup>st</sup> Dec. School closes for Christmas at 1pm and re-opens for children on the**

**6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2022**

# Online Training for Parents

## Intensive Interaction

### About this Course:

Intensive Interaction is an approach which involves following your child's lead and facilitating motivating interactions in order to develop the early fundamental skills of communication e.g. joint attention, turn-taking, increased vocalisations and the development of meaningful eye contact.

We will cover what 'Intensive Interaction' is, how it can help your child and how you can use the key strategies at home.

There will be opportunities to ask questions about topics covered with the Speech and Language Therapists delivering the course.

- For parents of children Reception to Year 11
- Parents/carers must be Newham residents or children must attend a Newham school
- 1 parent/carer to register per child (but more than 1 parent can attend on the same link)

**Click on the form below to book onto the training.  
You will be sent a Zoom link nearer the date:**

**<https://forms.office.com/r/pHt81CN3Yv>**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**10 am Registration**

**10.15-11.15 am course delivered via Zoom**



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