



St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

13th September 2019

Message from Ms Iwanicki

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an exceptionally busy week here at St Luke's. Our new reception children joined the school this week and I have been utterly amazed at how quickly they have settled into school life. I look forward to next week when they will try their first week of school lunches.

We have also started work on phase one of the playground redevelopment and the children have been keen to see how the works progress each day. It even inspired the reception children to mix their own 'cement' and build walls in the construction area.



On Tuesday evening we held our weekly staff meeting at West End Lane Bookshop. Last year our wonderful PFA raised funds to enable each class to buy quality core texts to use in lessons. Thank you to all parents and carers who have supported our fundraising events.

In other news our joint St Margaret's/St Luke's choir will now be running as an after school club, information will be emailed today. As St Margaret's are currently having renovations to their hall we will host the choir at St Luke's for the first half term. On another choir note, after a successful start to our own lunchtime KS1 choir, Natasha Panas has kindly offered to extend this to run a KS2 lunchtime choir. Further information about this will come out on Monday.



Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Jo Iwanicki
Head of School

Psalm 56:3-4 When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise— in God, I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?

Spring Class



This week was Spring Class' first week at school! The children have settled in beautifully and have been enjoying their new classroom. On our first day we played circle games to learn our classmates' names and have now made lots of new friends! We have been experimenting in the creative area making weird and wonderful models made from recycled bottles and cereal boxes. Well done on a fantastic first week, Spring class!



Summer Class



This week in Summer Class, we have been learning how to do our neatest handwriting in our new English Books. We have been focusing on using capital letters and full stops correctly, as well as adding adjectives into our sentences to make them more interesting. In Mathematics we have been learning all about numbers and their place value. We have been making numbers to 20 on 10s frames and with lolly sticks. In Topic, we have been learning about what we need to survive and what is considered something that we want vs something we need.



Autumn Class



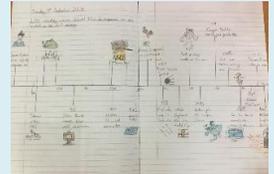
This week Autumn class have enjoyed making scientific observations of different rocks and precious stones. We have continued to learn more about the Ancient Egyptians, creating our own maps of Ancient Egypt and we also considered what Egyptians wore and the different kind of jewellery they made. In English we have been reading Aesop's fables and learning about morals in stories. We had the opportunity to perform some of these to the rest of the class. In Maths we have been ordering and comparing increasingly large numbers.



Winter Class



This week Winter class have started learning about our new topic- World War 2. As a class, we looked at some of the reasons the second war started, and made a timeline of key events of the 20th century to help us understand when WW2 happened in context. We also started listening to 'The Machine Gunners' by Robert Westall, which has given us lots of insights into what life was like for a child at the time. This week we have also been thinking about our Digital Footprints as we have discussed and signed our e-safety contracts in ICT.



Golden Book

Spring Class

Summer Class

Carter

For your can do attitude across all subject areas this week.

Bobby

For showing persistence when you were doing your writing.

Autumn Class

Abby for a confident start to the year and a willingness to help others.

Ella for her consistent positive attitude towards learning and her creative ideas

Winter Class

Shylah for an excellent, positive start to the year and consistently excellent presentation.

Rawan for a fantastic first week as part of our class. She has settled in so well and tried her best with everything- well done!



Maths Monkey!

Spring Class

Summer Class Lujain for your hard work when learning a new way of representing numbers.

Autumn Class : Lucas S for always being ready for the next challenge.

Winter Class Callum for putting his hand up for every question, and excellent, enthusiastic rounding!

Dates for Diary – 2019-2020 term dates are on the school website. Additions are in blue; Changes are in red.

September:

- Monday 9th - Whole School Welcome Service at St Luke's Church 2: 30pm (Parents welcome)
- Wednesday 18th - Individual pupil photographs
- Wednesday 25th - 9-10am Parent coffee morning in church hall
- Friday 27th - Secondary Transfer Meeting

October

- Wednesday 2nd - Harvest service in church 2.30pm
- Thursday 17th - Winter Class Assembly
- Friday 18th - End of half term
- October 21st to 25th – Half Term Holiday
- Thursday 31st - Flu Immunisation

November

- Wednesday 13th - 9-10am Parent coffee morning in church hall
- Thursday 14th - Summer Class Assembly
- Thursday 21st - Autumn Class Assembly

December

- Wednesday 4th - Christingle
- Friday 6th - Christingle at Westminster Abbey for Years 4,5 and 6
- Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th – Parent Consultation Evening
- Wednesday 11th - Nativity play 2.30pm
- Tuesday 17th - Carol Service
- Thursday 19th - Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
- Friday 20th - Last day of term. School closes at 1.30pm

E-Safety

Please follow the link below for the latest copy of Digital Parenting from Parentzone.

<https://parentzone.org.uk/digital-parenting-online-safety-magazine-archive>