



# St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

## Message from Ms Iwanicki

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've now finished our second week back at school and the children have settled in well to all the routines here at St Luke's. It's been lovely to hear them talk excitedly about their new learning as they come down the corridor and to see them playing outside in the playground. They have made the school come alive again! This week we were able to start our individual piano lessons. During lockdown these lessons moved online, but its great to have these up and running again in school. More information on music tuition can be found at <https://www.camden.gov.uk/instrument-and-voice-lessons-in-schools>

Next week, our older children will be watching a live performance by the London Sinfonietta. This concert will be live streamed from the Royal Festival Hall and will teach the children about creating and composing music. Over the next two weeks the works to widen our pavements will begin. This will ensure we have enough room for parents to socially distance at drop off and pick up times, and parking bays directly in front of the school will be suspended. We would encourage all of our families to walk or catch public transport on their journey to school, but if parents have no other alternative than to drive, then we would encourage them to 'park and stride'. Parking in a nearby street reduces the number of cars outside the front of the school and ensures there are safe places for our children to cross the road. We have attached a leaflet with this week's newsletter containing some fun activities to do with your children on your walk to school.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Jo Iwanicki  
Head of School

*Isaiah 41:10-13 So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

### Spring Class



This week in Spring class we have been learning about different minibeasts such as spiders, ladybirds, dragonflies and snails. The children also participated in a science investigation to see which piece of bread has the most 'germs' on it. The children touched the bread with dirty hands and clean hands. They will be observing the bread over the next few weeks to see what will happen to it.



### Summer Class



This week in Summer Class in Mathematics we have been revising addition strategies. In Art we explored the use of water colours and representing the seasons through nature artworks. We have also been working hard on our handwriting skills and applying our phonics knowledge in our writing. In Science we experimented with wax and paint to see what would happen if they were mixed and in Religion we started learning about the Easter story.



## Autumn Class



This week in Autumn Class, we have been creating 3D invertebrate fact files to help us classify them. In RE, we have been learning about Holy Communion and the importance of togetherness. In Maths, we have been learning short multiplication and fractions of amounts and in English we have been writing humorous raps with rhyming couplets in! We also enjoyed learning the 'Dragon Song' and listened to music originating from China.



## Winter Class



This week we have been investigating how materials have different levels of friction. We tested this out by rolling a car down a ramp and used different types of materials to break the motion of the car. In maths, we revised how to find the area and volume of shapes, and for English, we planned and wrote a narrative based on a short film clip about 'rock, paper, scissors'.



# Golden Book

### Spring Class

**Zayn and Uziah** for working as a team to make numbers up to 50 by adding together Numicon pieces.

### Summer Class

**Korede** for his hard work towards all learning this week and his enthusiastic attitude towards discussions.

**Saiyuri** for her great reading this week and for applying decoding strategies.

### Autumn Class

**Isambard** for creating an eye-catching fact file about invertebrates.

**Matian** for writing an excellent rap with rhyming couplets.

### Winter Class

**Lucas J** for using emotive language while describing the setting and characters in a story.

**Zoe** for her excellent effort when calculating the area and volume of shapes.

## Dates for Diary 2021

Term dates are on the school website. Additions are in [blue](#); Changes are in [red](#).

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| 22 <sup>nd</sup> March                    | London Sinfonietta online performance                  |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> March                    | In-school Easter Service and Easter Bonnet competition |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> March                    | Last day of Spring term – school finishes at 1.30pm    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> April | Easter holiday   |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> April                    | First day of summer term                               |
| w/c 26 <sup>th</sup> April                | Parent Consultations                                   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> July                      | <a href="#">Whole class photos</a>                     |



# Happy Birthday!

Dorina Spring Class

# Coronavirus: Weekly update from Camden Council

For the latest information and support from Camden Council and its partners, including updates to services:

- Visit [camden.gov.uk/coronavirus](https://camden.gov.uk/coronavirus) – includes information in different languages
- Check the rolling news pages at [news.camden.gov.uk](https://news.camden.gov.uk)
- Follow Twitter @CamdenCouncil and Facebook [facebook.com/LBCamden](https://facebook.com/LBCamden)
- Speak to someone at the Council directly by calling 020 7974 4444 (option 9).



**SIGN UP** to the Council's coronavirus e-newsletter for regular service updates, news and support at [camden.gov.uk/coronavirus-updates](https://camden.gov.uk/coronavirus-updates)

## Free rapid tests in Camden

Free rapid tests are available for anyone who needs to leave home for work, those who leave home for care or volunteer responsibilities, and parents and carers of all primary, secondary and college students. Home test kits are also available for pick up from the NHS test sites at Ramsay Hall and Kingsgate Community Centre, from 1.30 to 7.30pm with no booking required.

To book an in-person rapid test, visit [camden.gov.uk/rapidtest](https://camden.gov.uk/rapidtest) or call 020 7974 4444 (option 9).

## Why I had the COVID-19 vaccine



Mohammed Gofur is the Chair of King's Cross Mosque. He's had the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and says:

"Please join me and have the vaccine when it's your turn. It's free from animal products, safe and effective, and it could save your life."

Find out more about the vaccine, including current eligibility, at [nhs.uk/coronavirusvaccine](https://nhs.uk/coronavirusvaccine)



## Take part in Census 2021

Census Day is this Sunday 21 March, but you can complete your census now at [census.gov.uk](https://census.gov.uk) with the access code in the letter you should have received. To request an access code, paper questionnaire or support completing, visit the census website or call 0800 141 2021. The website has information in different languages and in accessible formats, and you can also call the language helpline on 0800 587 2021. It's important to take part as the information you provide helps to make decisions about public services in our community.

After Census Day, census officers will visit households that have not completed questionnaires. They will show identification, not enter your home, remain socially distanced, and wear PPE. You can find out more about how the census will be carried out safely during the pandemic on the census website.



As we near one year since the first lockdown, I know for many this will be a time of reflection. No one has been left unaffected by the impact of COVID-19, and it's clear the ramifications will be felt for some time to come. However, while there has been much loss and sadness, there has also been an incredible outpouring of support from within our communities. From local organisations delivering food parcels, to neighbours lending a hand, Camden's spirit has

shone through the most difficult of times.

As I look back on the year, I want to say thank you Camden for continuing to support our borough and for helping to keep us safe. Over the next few weeks, you can read here about our plans to recognise and honour the strength of our whole community efforts.

Finally, I know people, and especially women, across the country – myself included – have been deeply affected by the tragic murder of Sarah Everard. I stand with women and girls everywhere who are hurting, angry and scared. As a society we must do better. Harassment, abuse and violence need to be called out and continuing these conversations is a vital first step to achieving real change, where all women and girls can be safe.

**Councillor Georgina Gould, Leader of Camden Council**

## Support for women experiencing domestic abuse, sexual violence or harassment

For many women who have experienced or are at risk of domestic abuse, the last week may have triggered deep trauma, difficult thoughts, feelings and memories. Harassment and abuse are not ok. If you need help or advice, Camden Safety Net is here for you. Get in touch for independent and confidential support and advice on 020 7974 2526 or visit [camden.gov.uk/domestic-violence](https://camden.gov.uk/domestic-violence). In an emergency, call 999.

## Find your future in technology and business

Are you interested in working or launching a business in the technology, science or digital sectors? If so, you can now join the LIFT (Leading Inclusive Futures through Technology) programme. LIFT aims to support local recovery from COVID-19 by



helping people find work. The programme actively seeks out local employment and training opportunities with leading tech companies in the local area. Over the next six months, Camden Council – in partnership with Islington, Hackney and Tower Hamlets councils – will be running an employability and enterprise 'incubator' where residents can learn new skills, as well as a 'survive and pivot' programme for businesses. Women, people with disabilities, lone parents and people from Black, Asian and other ethnic backgrounds, who are currently under-represented in the sectors, are encouraged to join.

To find out more, visit [liftfutures.london](https://liftfutures.london)

**Stay at home to save lives**



You must work from home if you can



You can exercise or meet outdoors with your household, bubble or one other person from another household



Only socialise indoors with your household or bubble



Only travel for a permitted reason

Please continue to follow the latest guidance. For the latest information on the Government's plans to ease lockdown restrictions, visit [gov.uk/coronavirus](https://gov.uk/coronavirus)