



St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

7th January 2022

Message from Ms Iwanicki

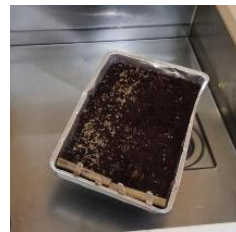
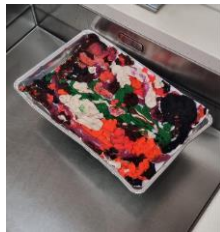


Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a restful break. It was wonderful to see so many children back at school this week, even with the incredibly high numbers of Covid cases in London. I would like to thank all of our families who have been diligently testing to ensure we all remain safe in school and wish those families who have tested positive over the Christmas break a very speedy recovery.

In school we continue to be vigilant and all visitors to the school site must wear face masks and provide a negative lateral flow test result. School staff continue to regularly take LFD tests and are now also required to wear masks in communal areas around the school such as corridors and the staff room. As an additional precaution we will continue to hold meetings and collective worship virtually for the next two weeks and then reassess the situation. Many schools across London are already understaffed due to Covid and some schools have been unable to fully open this term. The Education Secretary has asked retired teachers to join teacher supply agencies to fill gaps and also suggested schools could merge classes in the event of teacher shortages. At St Luke's our strategy will be to protect our staff wherever possible to ensure we are able to be fully operational and give your children the best education possible. Thank you for all for continuing to protect our community.

Thank you to those children who took part in the Floating Garden Challenge over the holidays. If you would still like to take part, Ms Atkey will be extending the deadline to Monday 10th January. Details can be found on your Google Classroom pages and photographs of your floating garden can be sent to the office email address. Here are some of the entries so far.



Sadly, we have had to say goodbye to our Reception Class Teaching Assistant this term. Mr Peace returned home to the United States to visit his family for the Christmas break and has decided remain there for the foreseeable future. We thank him for all his work with the children last term and we are currently using agency cover to support while we recruit.

Wishing you all very happy 2022,

Ms J Iwanicki

Headteacher

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.
Ephesians 4:32

Message from JPS Food Collection

Together we collected 81 crates of food for local people in food crisis, weighing 1.34 tonnes.

These food donations have already been sorted, date-checked, weighed and taken to the Camden Foodbank.



The manager of the Camden Foodbank, Abi Odujoko, wants me to pass a message of thanks onto you all.

“We want to say "Thank you", not just at this Christmas time collection but for every time you have graciously supported us. We really appreciate your help and support for the work we do within the Camden community.

Your donations will help us support and put a smile on the faces of those who are in a food crisis within the community especially at this time of so much uncertainty.

We wish you and yours good tidings during this season and in the new year 2022!

*Best regards
Abi Odujoko”*

All the best to you for 2022.

Kindest wishes
Jackie

Dates for Diary 2022

Term dates are on the school website. Additions are in **blue**; Changes are in **red**.

4 th January	INSET Day
10 th January	Start of Term Service in School
13 th January	Reception Height and Weight Health Review
3 rd February	Winter Class RAF Rocket Challenge
8 th February	E-Safety day
14 th – 18 th February	Half Term



Happy Birthday



No Birthdays this week.

