



# St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

*Educating through faith, hope and love.*

## Message from Ms Iwanicki

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have had a few children suffering hay fever symptoms in school. Tree pollen in London seems particularly high at the moment and our playground is surrounded by trees. A helpful guide to some of the main symptoms can be found on page 4 of this week's newsletter and more information regarding the daily pollen count can be found at <https://www.kleenex.co.uk/pollen-count/london>

Yesterday, Ms Shepperd was unable to join us for our music lessons, but we were delighted to have Mr Dano join us in her place. Mr Dano brought his electric guitar and amp with him and it was a treat to have a different style of accompaniment to our lessons this week.

Our Year 6 children have been working extremely hard in preparation for their SATs tests on 13<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> May. Throughout SATs week our Year 6 children can come into school early for a special breakfast club starting at 8:00am each morning. There is no charge for this breakfast club and it's a chance for the children to come into school nice and early in order to settle down ready for their tests, help get over any worries they may be feeling, while eating some tasty treats.

On 24<sup>th</sup> May the PFA will be holding a 'Bake Off' competition in school. If you would like to take part, you will need to bake 6 cupcakes to bring into school for judging and the remaining cakes will be on sale at the end of the school day. All proceeds will go to the PFA.

Don't forget it's a Bank Holiday on Monday so we will see you all back at school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

Wishing you all a restful long weekend,

Ms J Iwanicki  
Headteacher

*Isaiah 49:13 Shout for joy, you heavens; rejoice, you earth; burst into song, you mountains! For the Lord comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.*

### Spring Class



This week in Spring Class the children have been exploring two traditional stories - The Magic Porridge Pot and The Gigantic Turnip. We used the The Gigantic Turnip to create number problems and to look for maths in unlikely places. We read The Magic Porridge Pot and created oral and written responses to the story. On Wednesday, we visited Emmanuel Church in West Hampstead. The Reverend Trin kindly showed us around and gave the children an insight into the features of another beautiful local church.



### Summer Class



This week in Summer Class, we planned and wrote our own versions of 'Where the Wild Things Are'. In Maths, we are learning to count in multiples of 2, 5, and 10. In RE, we explored why it is important for Muslim parents that the Adhaan (call to prayer) is whispered in the right ear of new born babies.



## Autumn Class



This week, Autumn Class has been busy generating setting ideas in preparation for writing a sequel to "The Barnabus Project". In science, we continue our topic of digestion, focusing specifically on the functions of our teeth. The children even created their own teeth song to help them remember the distinct names for different types of teeth. In computing, we engaged in discussions about various methods of communication using technology. We will continue exploring this subject and discussing strategies for staying safe online.



## Winter Class



In Winter Class this week, our Science work has focussed upon the stages of human life. Children have created group timelines to chart the physical changes to humans as they grow from childhood to old age. In our Topic work, we have been considering how the early Anglo-Saxon settlers would have organised their towns and villagers over 1500 years ago when they first arrived in Britain. In English, Year 5 have worked on writing persuasive letters, while in Maths, they have been using place value in decimals across the four operations. Year 6 have continued their preparation for SATs, reflecting on their strengths and weaknesses to help organise their revision plans.



# Golden Book

### Spring Class

**Charlotte** for great effort and improvement in solving number problems.

**Lina** for great effort and improvement in reading and writing.

### Summer Class

**Nefeli** for her great effort in Maths this week.

**Zeynep** for her thoughtful contributions in Guided Reading.

### Autumn Class

**Oriana** for her fantastic detailed setting in English this week.

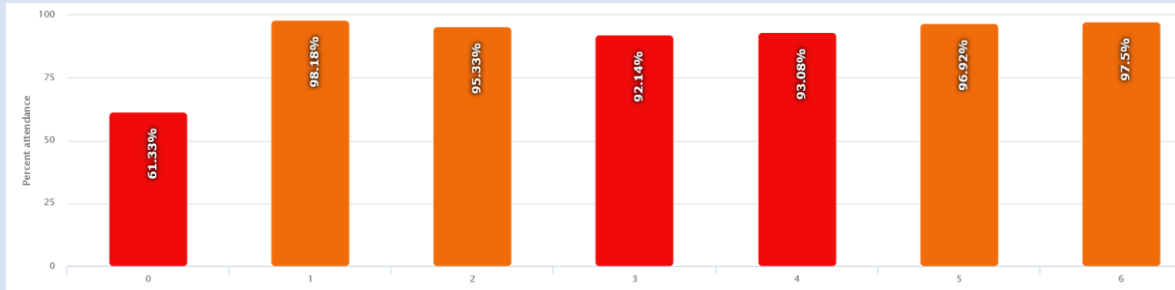
**Sophia** for her effort in maths this week revising multiplication.

### Winter Class

**Bobby** for his hard work on decimals this week.

**Keye** for her meticulous approach to her revision work.

# Weekly Attendance



Best year group this week  
**Year 1**  
with  
98.1%

## Happy Birthday



**Arun in Summer Class**



# HAY FEVER



Many hay fever symptoms overlap with those you get with a cold, so it can be hard to say which you've got. There are a few key things you can look out for.

A cold will start one to three days after you come into contact with the virus, and will normally last for up to a week. Hay fever starts straight after you're exposed to pollen and continues causing symptoms until you're no longer around the allergens.

## Signs and symptoms of hay fever may include:

- **Sneezing** – a common symptom and may be more frequent.
- **Coughing** - coughing can occur due to mucus in your throat.
- **Blocked nose** – nasal congestion can lead to difficulty breathing.
- **Itchy, red or watery eyes** – can lead to discomfort and sensitivity to light.
- **Itchy throat, mouth, nose and ears** – irritation or a scratchy feeling
- **Pain around your temples and forehead** - allergens can create pockets of pain around your sinuses
- **Headache** - sinus pain from hay fever can also trigger headaches.
- **Earache** - the lining of the tubes in your ear can sometimes inflame when it reacts with pollen.
- **Tiredness** - low energy levels and mood can often be experienced after prolonged exposure to allergens.

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# 2024 BAKE OFF



24th May 2024



Free entry!

To enter, please bring **6 cupcakes** into school on the **24th May**.

Please list all the ingredients - **no nuts**

There will then be a cupcake tasting with the winners announced.

All remaining cakes will then be sold by the PFA outside school at pick up to raise funds.

Parentkind  
Member Association

## Dates for Diary 2024

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

16 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of Term
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Autumn Class Trip to Hackney Empire
26 <sup>th</sup> April	Parent Coffee Morning — Meet the MHST Team 9:05am
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Spring Class R.E. Visit to Emmanuel Church
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs and Breakfast Club 8AM
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Autumn Class British Museum Trip
20 <sup>th</sup> May	After School Sports Event – Football at St Mary's
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Summer Class CLC Trip
24 <sup>th</sup> May	PFA Bake Off Sale 3:45pm
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half-Term
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Inset Day
w/c 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 4 begin Multiplication Testing
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Winter Class Assembly
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Autumn Class Assembly
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Spring Class Assembly
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Class National History Museum Trip
24 <sup>th</sup> June – 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Autumn Class Swimming
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Winter Class Crick Visit Science Day
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Children visit their new class
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Class Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Play
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents Open Evening
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Service
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair
24 <sup>th</sup> July	1:30pm Term Ends