



St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

Educating through faith, hope and love.

28th March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we are nearly at the end of our Spring Term. This week our teachers have been holding pupil progress review meetings, where we discuss the progress of each child in preparation for our Parent Consultation Evenings next week. If you haven't done so already, please sign up for a slot to discuss your child's progress over this term. If you are unable to attend on the day, please contact the school office to arrange an alternative appointment.

On Wednesday, our Year 5 and Year 6 children played netball against St Margaret's School. Both teams played incredibly well, with Year 6 winning their game. Thank you to Mr Leng for organising this event.

Next Wednesday, we will be celebrating our Easter Service in church at 2:30pm. Easter is always a special time for us at St Luke's and the children love coming to school on the day of the service in their Easter bonnets. Thank you to the PFA for organising a prize for the best bonnet in each year group and we look forward to seeing you all in church next week.

Finally, the children have been incredibly excited today for their discos this evening. The lunchtime queue was buzzing with chatter about what they will be wearing and what dance moves they had been practicing. The PFA have done an incredible job organising this event and I'm sure it will be a great success.

Thank you to all the parents in Spring Class who were able to join us for their class assembly this week. It is always daunting to speak and sing in front of an audience and I am sure the children will grow in confidence next term.

Please note, there will be no clubs running next week as it is the final week of term and throughout the summer term there will be no Adventurers club in church on Thursdays. This is just for the summer term and we look forward to Adventurers starting up again in the near future.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Ms J Iwanicki

'I can do all things through him who strengthens me.' **Philippians 4:13**

Spring Class



This week in Spring Class, we started to look at the lifecycle of insects by reading 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle, and 'Tadpole's Promise' by Jean Willis. The children shared their knowledge and we looked at non-fiction books about animals to find out more. We have continued to look at signs of spring and the children have created some beautiful paintings of cherry blossom. In Maths, we have been revisiting counting beyond 20, number formation and number bonds to 10. In P.E., the children showed great teamwork in relay races, and did a great job rehearsing and performing their first ever class assembly.



Summer Class



This week, we explored the features of a diary and wrote our own diary entries. In R.E., we continued learning about the importance of the cross for Christians and what it symbolises. In Topic, we researched the Galápagos Islands, discovering the fascinating animals and plants that can be found there. In Maths, we continued our work on the properties of 3D shapes. Lastly, we wrote step-by-step instructions on how to make muffins, preparing for our cooking lesson as part of our Computing unit *We Are TV Chefs*.



Autumn Class



This week in Autumn Class, we have been recapping this term's R.E. learning on Holy Communion. We thought carefully about things we still wanted to know or questions we had, and we were lucky enough to present these to Tim from St Luke's Church. The children really enjoyed this Q&A session and asked some very thoughtful questions. In Maths, we have been using the column method for both addition and subtraction. In English, we have begun writing our own chapter of 'Stig of the Dump'.



Winter Class



In Winter Class, Year 6 have been continuing to work hard revising for their KS2 SATs assessments in May. In the meantime, Year 5 have been using the novel 'Holes' to write a short narrative from the perspective of the main character, Stanley. Their writing included the many difficulties Stanley suffered at Camp Green Lake. In Maths, Year 5 have worked on calculations involving mixed numbers and are now moving onto relating decimals to fractions. We have also taken the opportunity to complete some Maths investigations. In Science, the class has been learning about air resistance and considering the factors that will make a parachute more effective. We have also completed some creative writing based on a short film called The Clock Tower.



Golden Book

Spring Class

Ariella for helping and showing care for her classmates.

Kai for her positive attitude to all types of learning.

Summer Class

Arion for his great effort in Writing this week.

Klea for her enthusiasm and effort in Phonics.

Autumn Class

Henry for his thoughtful contributions during R.E.

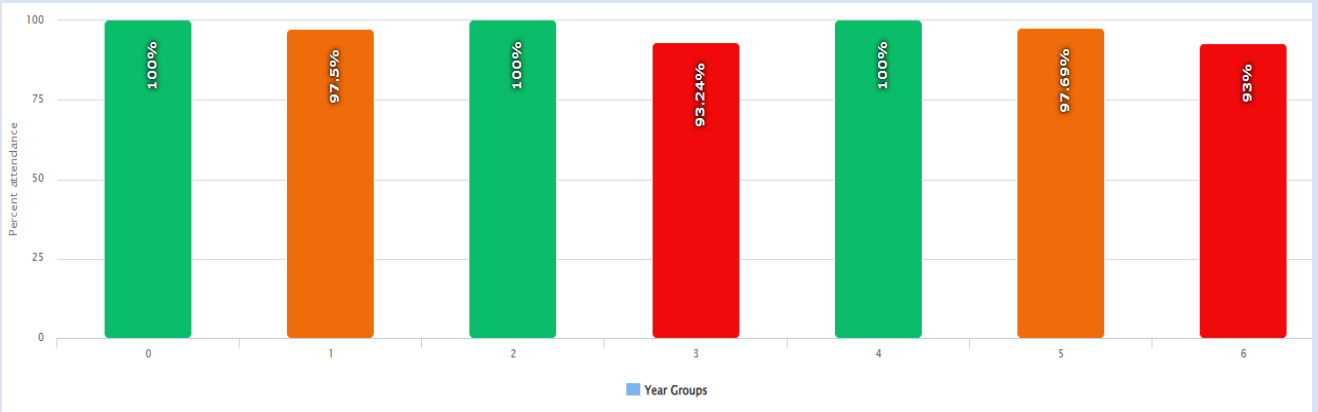
Isaac for his hard work this week in maths, using column addition.

Winter Class

Felix for his enthusiasm when completing Maths investigations this week.

Keren for some great creative work in her writing.

Weekly Attendance



Best year group this week is



Reception

Year 2

Year 4



Happy Birthday



Matthew in Summer Class



Dates for Diary 2024

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

28th February	PFA Pancake Day Breakfast
3rd March	Winter Class Visit to Khalsa Jatha
4th March	Winter Class Assembly
7th March	World Book Day – Dress like a book character
10th Mar – 14th Mar	PGL Week
11th March	Autumn Class Assembly
18th March	Summer Class Assembly at 3pm
24th March	Choir rehearsal for Camden Music Festival
25th March	Spring Class Assembly at 3pm
26th March	Inter School Sports at St Margaret's
28 th March	PFA After School Disco
31 st March	Year 1 & 2 National Portrait Gallery
1 st April	Parents Evening
2 nd April	Easter Service in Church (Easter Bonnet Competition) at 2.30pm
3 rd April	Parents Evening
4 th April	End of Term – School finishes at 1:30pm
22 nd April	First day of summer term
30 th April	KS2 Choir – Royal Albert Hall

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts.



At St Luke’s we believe that all children deserve an education of the highest quality in order to flourish and enjoy a life filled with meaning and purpose. To support us with this, we ask parents to ensure their children are in school and on time every day. The school gates are open at 8:50am and children should be in their classrooms to be registered at 9:00am. The latest statutory guidance for schools, **Keeping Children Safe in Education 2024**, has a specific paragraph addressing children who are absent from school.

Children who are absent from education

175. Children being absent from education for prolonged periods and/or on repeat occasions can act as a vital warning sign to a range of safeguarding issues including neglect, child ... exploitation - particularly county lines. It is important the school or college’s response to persistently absent pupils and children missing education supports identifying such abuse, and in the case of absent pupils, helps prevent the risk of them becoming a child missing education in the future. This includes when problems are first emerging but also where children are already known to local authority children’s social care and need a social worker (such as a child who is a child in need or who has a child protection plan, or is a looked after child), where being absent from education may increase known safeguarding risks within the family or in the community.

Our **whole school attendance target is 96%** which allows for 8 days of illness over the year.

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence 1 Week and 4 Days of Learning Missed
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence 3 Weeks and 4 Days of Learning Missed
85% Attendance	28 Days of Absence 5 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed
80% Attendance	38 Days of Absence 7 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed
75% Attendance	46 Days of Absence 9 weeks and 1 Day of Learning Missed



St. Luke's CE School

DISCO!

Friday 28th March
With LIVE DJ!

KS1 4:30–5:30pm

KS2 5:30–6:30pm

Chill-out room available for siblings

£5 per Child (Adults and Under 2's Free)

Children must be accompanied by a guardian
Tickets on sale soon!

Squash
included in
ticket price

Food &
Drinks available
to purchase

Adult Bar
Available
on site

BOOK NOW: Spring Holiday

We're now taking bookings
for our Spring Holiday
Playscheme!

Book your spot on
the Famly app or
scan the QR code
for more info.



Play, Adventure & Community Enrichment



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MAKE A MUSICAL IN A WEEK IS BACK FOR EASTER 2025

Join us for a **fun-packed** week where you will spend time **creating your own musical** before taking part in a **dazzling performance** for friends and family at the end of the week.

Further courses available in Summer 2025.



**EARLY
BIRD
DISCOUNT**

if you book before
24th February 2025
24th Febr24



FOR 7 - 16 YRS
CHOBHAM ACADEMY, STRATFORD
7TH - 11TH APRIL 2025
9.30AM - 4.30PM DAILY
VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS





Ahoy Me-Hearties!

Join us for two fun filled days at our Shipwrecked Easter Bible Holiday Club on the 16th and 17th

April! 9.30am - 3.00pm

St Luke's Church NW/3 7SU



For all pirates and explorers aged 4 - 11
Scan the QR code to sign up!