



St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

Educating through faith, hope and love.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week in school our wonderful children have been involved with acts of community service as part of their NSPCC Kindness Challenge. Winter Class went down to the Nursery at PACE and helped to tidy up, and clean all of their toys. Children in Autumn Class have been out litter picking in the local area. Summer Class children have been making cards to send to the Evergreens' Group at St Luke's Church and Spring Class have made some beautiful candle gifts with autumn leaves to give out to members of the congregation. A huge thank you to everyone who has donated towards the Kindness Challenge, so far we have raised £417 for the NSPCC Childline as well as spreading kindness in our community.

Thank you to all of our wonderful PFA members who are already busy planning for this year's Christmas Fair. This week we held a meeting to plan out the stalls, but as always we will need lots of helpers on the day so if you are able to help out please email pfa@stlukesschool.org.uk

On another PFA note, please email your details if you would like to be set up on the class WhatsApp groups as old threads must be deleted inline with school GDPR policies.

On Wednesday, the NSPCC worked with our KS2 classes on their Speak out, Stay safe! workshop. This workshop supports children to identify any worries they might have as well as thinking about which safe adults they have in their lives to talk to.

Next week, Winter Class will be kicking off our class assemblies for this term and we look forward to parents joining us at 3:00 on Tuesday 11th November.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Ms J Iwanicki

Headteacher

'Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.' Ephesians 4:32

Spring Class



This week in Spring Class, it was lovely to see the children back after their holiday. We continued with our Kindness Challenge and created leaf prints on candles. It was wonderful to hear the children's thoughtful responses about why we are doing this and how it shows kindness. We read 'What's in the Truck?' and explored birthdays as a celebration. The children even hosted a birthday party for Teddy in our classroom, which was lots of fun! We also explored Bonfire Night, discussing how people celebrate it. The children used different objects to create colourful fireworks on paper. In Maths, we went on a 2D shape hunt around our classroom, spotting and naming shapes in the environment around us.



Summer Class



This week in Summer Class, as part of our Kindness Challenge we created cards for the Evergreens with symbols and messages to send our thoughts and best wishes. In English, we have been working on poetry, looking at Edward Lear's nonsense poem, 'The Pobble Who Has No Toes.' In Maths we have continued to practise our number bonds as well as using 100 squares to add tens and ones. We have also spent some time this week thinking about the things that make us different as well as things we share, making sure that we always value each other.



Autumn Class



This week in Autumn Class the children have learned to recite the poem, 'Amulet' by Ted Hughes. They worked hard to memorize it, and took turns performing it for the class. Also, in English we have been practising the reading skills of predicting and summarising, as well as learning more about the process of illustration and book design in relation to 'The Wolf's Secret'. In Maths, we have been working on our understanding of multiplication and learning multiplication and division facts. The children all took part in our class kindness challenge of litter picking in the local area and worked on clay jewellery inspired by Ancient Egypt. In RE we have been learning about what the prophets foretold about the first Christmas.



Winter Class



This week in English, we have been exploring poems from *The Book of Hope*. The children enjoyed discussing a range of poems and used poetry terminology to express their ideas with confidence.

In history, we explored how the British diet changed during the war and considered the lasting impact these changes had on people's lives. In PSHE, we were delighted to welcome a visitor from the NSPCC charity, who spoke to the children about keeping themselves safe. The pupils engaged in thoughtful discussions and shared insightful ideas throughout the session.



Golden Book

Spring Class

Rayan for showing great listening and wonderful tidying.

Manta for being a fantastic role model to others.

Summer Class

Domenico for some great work in adding this week.

Adila for working really well practising adding in Maths.

Autumn Class

Mikayl for working with excellent focus in Maths.

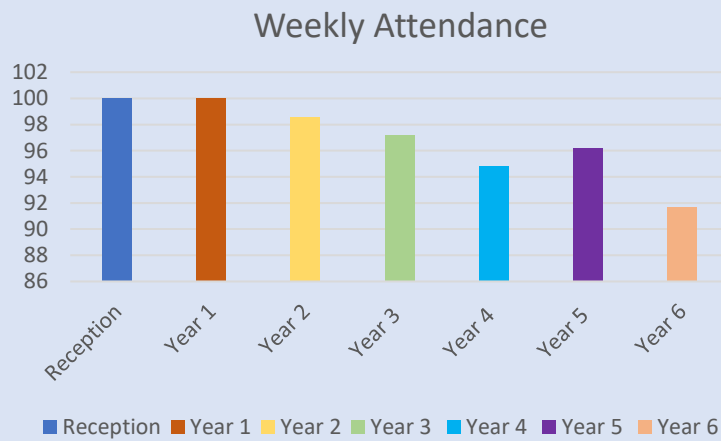
Sarah for hard work learning and reciting a poem from memory.

Winter Class

Arhan for being an excellent role model on our school trip.

Henry for your hard work in Maths this week tackling challenges.

Weekly Attendance



Reception
Year 1



Happy Birthday



Emiko in Summer Class

‘Teddy’ in Reception

Dates for Diary 2025

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

W/C 8th September	Reception children start and collected at 12pm
10th September	Start of Term service in Church at 2.30pm
12th September	Secondary Transfer Zoom Meeting at 10.30am
19th September	Class Curriculum Newsletters to parents
W/C 15th September	Reception children collected at 1pm
17th September	Reading Parents Meeting
19 th September	PFA Meeting 9am
25th September	E Safety Meeting
W/C 22nd September	Reception children in all day
23rd September	Individual School Photographs
3 rd October	Winter Class Trip – National Army Museum
8 th October	Harvest Festival St Luke's Church 2.30pm
13 th October	Tim visiting Summer Class
16 th October	St Luke's Day – Kindness Challenge Launch
20 th October	Flu Vaccination (TBC)
21 st October	NSPCC Workshops
22 nd October	PFA Uniform Sale (before school starts)
27 th - 31 st October	Half Term
3 rd November	KS2 Netball Match Versus St Mary
5 th November	Winter Class Trip – Junior Citizenship
11 th November	Winter Class – Armistice Day Service
11 th November	Winter Class Assembly
17 th November	Odd Socks Day
18 th November	Summer Class Assembly
26 th November	Pantomime
2 nd & 3 rd December	Parents Evenings
8 th December	St Marys – Sports Match
9 th December	Autumn Class Assembly
11 th December	Nativity
12 th December	Christingle
17 th December	Christmas Carol Service in Church (6pm)
18 th December	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
19 th December	End of Term (1.30pm)



NSPCC



Kindness Challenge

Gardening Club News!



A **huge thank you** to Peter and the team at the **Camden Garden Centre** for their generous donation of vouchers which will be used to buy resources for **St Luke's CE School's Gardening Club**.

We look forward to restarting our lunchtime Gardening Club soon, and sharing the good news of what's growing!

Here's what the **Camden Garden Centre** say about themselves on their website:

Camden Garden Centre is an unusual Garden Centre.

We are a multiple award-winning urban garden centre in the heart of central London. We not only supply plants and gardening products of the broadest range and of the highest quality and give expert guidance and customer advice but we are also a charitable organisation offering employment, training and educational opportunities and donate funds to our parent charity.

Our trained, friendly and knowledgeable staff are renowned for going that extra mile to help London gardeners find plants and products which work best for their green spaces – inside or outside – be it pots or plot, basket, windowbox or balcony.

You can find out more here:

<https://camdengardencentre.co.uk/>



Camden
Garden Centre

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

Women's Bible Study

Each Monday during term time at 9:45am-11am.

15 Sep	Prayer meeting
22 Sep	James 1:1-18
29 Sep	James 1:19-27
6 Oct	James 2:1-13
13 Oct	James 2:14-26
20 Oct	James 3:1-18
27 Oct	Half term
3 Nov	James 4:1-12
10 Nov	James 4:13-5:6
17 Nov	James 5:7-20
24 Nov	Prayer meeting
1 Dec	Christmas social

Contact: heid@stlukeshamstead.org

Women's Events

Grow North Women's Teaching Day: North London Women's convention, Saturday 4th October at St Peter's Church, Muswell Hill, 10am - 3:45pm. Carrie Sandom will be speaking on Mark 8-10. Tickets on sale now. Speak to Heidi for more details.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday 27th September, 9:30-11am
in the Lambert Hall

Church Praise and Prayer Meetings

Church Praise and Prayer Meetings are our most important meeting of the month, where we praise God in song and speak to him in prayer. This term we are meeting on Sunday evenings. Everyone is warmly welcomed and encouraged to come at 6pm for dinner and stay from 6:30-7:30pm for prayer.

7 Sep, 5 Oct, 2 Nov, 7 Dec

Contact: tim@stlukeshamstead.org

Bonfire Night - Guest Event

Saturday 1st November, 5:30-7:30pm

Please join us for an evening of marshmallows, sparklers and food around the bonfire!

Book of the Term - 23rd Nov 7-8pm



Therefore I have Hope
by Cameron Cole

Please order your own copy. Discussion at the Vicarage.

Christmas

7 Dec	Family Carols at 10:30am
12 Dec	Christingle Service at 3:30pm
14 Dec	Carols by Candlelight at 6pm
17 Dec	Cemetery Carols
24 Dec	Christmas Eve Service at 3pm
25 Dec	Christmas Day Service at 10:30am

st luke's Autumn term 2025



Kidderpore Avenue,
NW3 7SU

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"To know Christ and to make him known"

Sunday Mornings at 10:30am

7 Sep	Return to the Lord Zechariah 1:1-6
14 Sep	Return to Jerusalem Zechariah 1:7-2:13
21 Sep	Right to Room Zechariah 3:1-10 (Church Family lunch)
28 Sep	Lord of the world Zechariah 4:1-6:8
5 Oct	The temple builder Zechariah 6:9-15
12 Oct	The faithful city Zechariah 7:1-8:23
19 Oct	Peace to the nations Zechariah 9 (Church Family lunch)
26 Oct	Abas wept John 11:35
2 Nov	All Age Service
9 Nov	The good shepherd Zechariah 10:1-11:17
16 Nov	The fountain Zechariah 12:1-13:9 (Church Family lunch)
23 Nov	King of the world Zechariah 14
30 Nov	The Messiah Matthew 1:1-18
7 Dec	The word John 1:1-5 (Family Carols)
21 Dec	The light John 1:6-13
28 Dec	The Son John 1:14-18

† Lord's Supper

Growth Groups

These groups are for everyone in our church family for Bible study, prayer, and friendship. This term we are introducing Growing Deeper evenings - on these evenings our Growth Groups will divide into single-sex groups, and we'll be helping each other connect what we've been learning in the Bible to our lives.

3 Sep	Leaders' Training
10 Sep	James 1:1-18
17 Sep	No Growth Groups
24 Sep	Growing Deeper evening
1 Oct	James 1:19-27
8 Oct	James 2:1-13
15 Oct	James 2:14-26
22 Oct	Growing Deeper evening
29 Oct	Half term
5 Nov	James 3:1-18
12 Nov	James 4:1-12
19 Nov	James 4:13-5:6
26 Nov	Growing Deeper evening
3 Dec	James 5:7-20
10 Dec	Growing Deeper evening
17 Dec	Growth Group Socials

Contact: tim@stlukeshamstead.org

For more information, please contact the church office on 020 7431 6317 or admin@stlukeshamstead.org

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www.stlukeshamstead.org

Children and Young People

Midweek

Pre-school:	Super Lukes, Wed 10-11:15am
YR-Year 2:	Adventurers, Thu 3:30-4:30pm
Years 3-5:	Kidderpore Kids, Fri 6:00-7:00pm
Years 6-9:	Pathfinders, Fri 7:00-8:15pm
Years 10-13:	EPIC, Fri 8:00-9:00pm

(10th September-10th December excluding half term)

Sunday Mornings at 10:30am

Sunday Younger Kids: Reception - Year 3
Sunday Older Kids: Year 4 - Year 8

All groups meet in the main church building.
Groups run throughout the school term.
Contact: josh@stlukeshamstead.org

Youth Events

SORTED (age 14-18)
Saturday 8th Nov

Contact: josh@stlukeshamstead.org

Evergreens

A monthly meeting on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:30pm for over 50's. Includes a tea party, a short service and an interesting talk or activity.
24th September, 22nd October and 26th November
Contact: alastair.treskider@gmail.com

EMOTION COACHING

This is a two-part workshop; both sessions need to be attended

The workshop is interactive, a mixture of discussion, reflection & presentation

The workshop aims to support parent/carers to understand and validate their child's emotions, respond more helpfully during moments of heightened emotions, and implement appropriate boundary setting

Sign up with the QR code below:



Thursday 4th & 11th December,
12.00 to 2.00pm,
Tavistock & Portman Trust,
120 Belsize Lane, NW3 5BA

