



St Luke's Church of England School Newsletter

Educating through faith, hope and love.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week here at St Luke's. Our Year 6 children have been working incredibly hard getting ready for their SATs tests next week and I am sure you will all join me in wishing them the very best of luck. Year 6 children can come into school for a special SATs breakfast from 8:30 in the classroom. If your child already attends Breakfast Club from 8:00 the teacher on duty in the hall will send them up to the classroom to join us.

Next Monday, our Reception Class children will be visiting St John-at-Hampstead Church as part of their RE lessons. Thank you to the parents helpers that have volunteered to support this trip.

We also have two exciting events coming up this term. On Wednesday 20th May we will be holding our 'Silver Trail' fundraiser. There will be a class prize for the longest line of coins and for the most funds raised. So please start saving our silver coins! Also, on Friday of that week, our PFA have organised a School Disco which will be a super way to end this half term. If you are able to help with this event please contact pfa@stlukesschool.org.uk

Finally, I would like to wish Josh, the Youth Leader from St Luke's Church and School Governor, congratulations on his wedding this Saturday. We wish you and your fiancée lots of happiness for the future.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,
Ms J Iwanicki
Headteacher

1 Corinthians 13:13: *"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."*

Spring Class



This week in Spring Class, we have been learning about odd and even numbers. It was great to see the children noticing patterns and making connections in their learning. We also discussed what we would like to share in our class assembly. It was lovely to hear the children reflecting on their learning and sharing their ideas. In RE, we explored the Muslim place of worship, a mosque, and learned about the different features found inside. It was wonderful to hear the children comparing a church and a mosque, discussing their similarities and differences.



Summer Class



This week, we had lots of fun practising communication skills, turn taking, following rules and honesty through games in PE. In Maths, we have been learning different strategies to subtract including using number squares and counting forward on number lines. In English, we have been using conjunctions to join simple sentences and to make our writing more interesting. In Music, we performed a song using different instruments and focussed on beat and rhythm. In Science, we continued to identify the features of mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish and birds.



Autumn Class



This week in Autumn Class, we have been reading 'The Barnabus Project', by The Fan Brothers. The class explored predictions about the story and had a go at writing their own alternative endings. They also started to develop their own characters that could have been created in the same underground lab as Barnabus. In Maths this week, we have learning how to find the area and the perimeter of shapes using counting, measurement and calculation. In RE we found out what Buddha realised about life when he became enlightened. The Roman invasion by Claudius was our focus in History this week, and in Science the class found out more about the digestive system.



Winter Class



This week in Winter Class, Year 6 have been working extremely hard to complete their final week of SATs revision. Meanwhile, Year 5 have continued developing and editing their stories, as well as practising short multiplication and division. Today, Year 5 took part in their third mental wellbeing session, where they explored the idea of a "calm place" and practised breathing techniques to help regulate their emotions. In RE, we discussed the principles and values needed to live well within a community. This learning was inspired by reflecting on the Eightfold Path, which is followed by some Buddhists.



Golden Book

Spring Class

Rayan for his thoughtful contributions in RE.

Aris for showing care and respect for our classroom.

Summer Class

Julia for her excellent participation in maths this week.

Kai for trying her hardest during all independent work tasks

Autumn Class

Noah for independence and creativity when working on his story character.

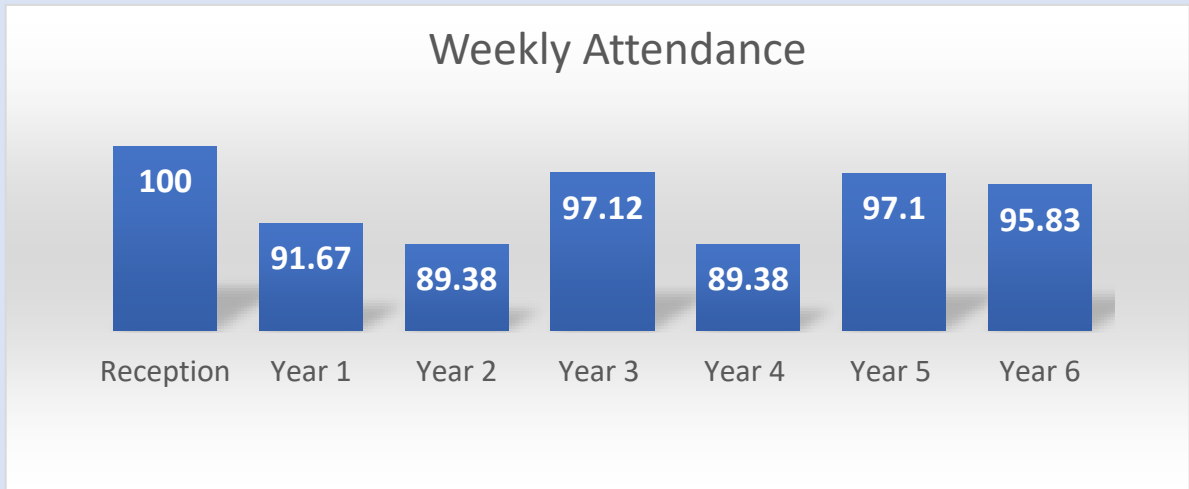
Allegra for hard work and focus on multiplication this week.

Winter Class

Sam for his hardwork and focus in Maths this week.

Alex for his fantastic attitude during SATs revision.

Weekly Attendance



Reception
With 100%
Achieved the highest attendance



Happy Birthday



Autumn Class – Nefeli
Autumn Class – Arun
Winter Class - Jahan
Winter Class - Arhan
Winter Class – Sophia
Summer Class – Kai

Dates for Diary 2026

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

13th April	Start of Term
W/c 13th April	No After School Clubs this week
Tues 21st April	School Swimming Lesson Start for Year 3 & 4
W/c 20th April	After School Clubs Start
22nd April	Start of term service
4th May	Bank Holiday
5th May	Whole School Photograph
11 th – 15 th May	KS2 SATs Week and Year 6 Breakfast Club
11 th May	Reception Trip to St Johns Church, Hampstead
18 th May	Reception Trip to Regents Park Mosque
19 th May	Reception Assembly at 3pm
20 th May	The Silver Trail
22 nd May	St Luke's CE School Disco
	KS1 4.30 – 5.30pm
	KS2 5.30 – 6.30pm
25 th – 29 th May	<i>Half Term Break</i>
1 st June	INSET Day
2 nd - 5 th June	Start of term for the children
2 nd June	Prayer Space in the Library
10 th June	Sports Day at Hampstead Heath
24 th June	Evergreens Tea
27 th June	Summer Fair
8 th July	End of Year Production TBC
15 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service
17 th July	End of Term 1:30pm



St. Luke's CE School

DISCO!

**Friday 22nd May
With Mr Marvel!**

KS1 4:30–5:30pm

KS2 5:30–6:30pm

Chill-out room available for siblings

£7 per Child (Adults and Under 2's Free)

Children must be accompanied by a guardian

Tickets on sale soon!

Plus
Chill-out
space

Squash, Crisps,
Sweets & Popcorn
included!

Adult Bar
Available
on site

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