



## **St. Luke's Newsletter No. 28, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

### **Message from Mrs Proietti**

Another busy week has already flown by at St Luke's. This week has seen us take part in the Year 5 Maths Challenge for our area along with ten other schools, and come in an extremely reputable second place (only one point behind the winning school). Well done to the mathematicians who took part (Haryram, Geraldine, Haris and Janos); you worked as an excellent team and did a sterling and impressive job! Thanks also go to Mrs Corlito for organising our team and hosting the event.

Alongside this, year 3 and 4 have been extremely busy this week with half the children adventuring to pastures new on their residential and half staying behind and embarking on a variety of challenges in school. It is a big event to wave our children off for a few days and we are grateful that the children can all enjoy this experience with your support - many thanks. It is safe to say that every child in year 3 and 4 has either tried something new, experienced something different or participated in activities that challenged them, and all of them have done us proud. Well done! Big thanks go to all the staff and volunteers who have made the trip, visits and in-house activities a possibility.

We are very lucky to have such amazing grounds at St Luke's and have for a long time been the proud owner of a kitchen garden. Running and maintaining these areas is essential to make the most of the resources we have at school. Great thanks therefore go to Emilie van der Aa and Ellie Spence who have successfully relaunched our gardening club this week. The children who have taken part have been excited to get started. Oak class loved planting sunflowers and herbs and were delighted to meet our two resident robins.

As I suspect you will have noticed, Dr Catterson has not been in school since the start of this term. Unfortunately she was unwell over the holiday and has taken longer than she hoped to regain her strength. We are all thinking of her and wish her a speedy recovery; we hope to see her back in office after the bank holiday weekend.

### **Message from Dan Woodford, Chair of Governors**

We have a couple of staff announcements to share with you all. After 21 years of teaching Mrs Corlito has decided to take early retirement. She has been an extremely valued member of St Luke's staff for the past five years and will be sadly missed. We hope you will join us in wishing her the very best for her future. In addition, Mrs Proietti has decided to step down from her role as Deputy Head and return to her former role as Inclusion Manager from September 2017 in order to be able to spend more time with her family. We thank her for her tireless and enthusiastic work whilst in her role as Deputy Head. This will mean that the school will be advertising for a new Deputy Head to join the school team, adding strength and depth to our current senior leadership structure.

### **Attendance**

Attendance has risen slightly again this week and stands at 94.83% (our target for the academic year is 96%).

### **Year 5/6 Residential Trip – final balances reminder**

If you opted to pay in a single payment, please note that the due date is 30<sup>th</sup> April. If you opted to pay monthly, you should have made two payments by now with a third due by 30<sup>th</sup> April and final payment due by 31<sup>st</sup> May.

### **J Wilson Book**

We still have some books from last Friday's author visit in the office for anyone who would still like to buy one. Cost per book is £7.99; cheques should be made payable to J Wilson.

### **School Meals**

Please note the following menu changes:

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Roast turkey or Quorn Fillet with stuffing, gravy and roast potatoes; chocolate brownie pudding
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Build a Burger & Ice Cream Parlour – pork or Quorn burger with chips + choice of salad toppings; chocolate & vanilla ice cream with choice of assorted toppings + wafer

## Summer Term dates (changes/new dates marked in blue)

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May, school closed for the May Day Bank Holiday
- **Wednesday afternoon 3<sup>rd</sup> May, History talk by Michael French to year 5**
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 3:15 PTA Cake Sale (years R/6)
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (years 1/2) – parents welcome
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, year 6 SATs week – **please do not book any medical appointments/holidays for your children during this week!**
- Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May, no music lessons this week
- Thursday morning 11<sup>th</sup> May, year 3 trip to Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (years 3/4)
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, year 2 SATs – please do not book any medical appointments/holidays for your children during this week! SATs will now be carried out over one week rather than two as the SPAG test has been withdrawn
- Tuesday morning 16<sup>th</sup> May, National Measurement Programme – years R and 6
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (year 4 showcase)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May, PTA Mums' Movie Night - tbc
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, Choir to Ely Cathedral (God and Science Project)
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (years 5/6) + Ramadan
- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, school closed for the half-term holiday
- Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> June, Environment Week
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June, Big Write Day with Prize-giving assembly at 2:45 (parents welcome)
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 9:15 Information meeting for parents about year 5/6 residential trip
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 9:15 Holly Class assembly
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June, PTA Bag2School Collection
- Friday morning 9<sup>th</sup> June, year 5 to Michael Rosen poetry workshop
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June, 9:15 Oak Class assembly
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June, Father's Day Lunch, Cost £3.20
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June, 6:00 Meeting for new Reception parents
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, year 5/6 trip to Ilam, Derbyshire
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (year 3 or 4 showcase)
- Monday afternoon 26<sup>th</sup> June, dental check project (for some Reception/year 1 pupils)
- Wednesday morning 28<sup>th</sup> June, Move-up Morning 1/2
- Wednesday morning 28<sup>th</sup> June, 9:30-10:30 Visit for new Reception pupils 1/2
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (years 5/6) + Eid and International Day of Friendship
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, PTA Summer Celebration
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, Craft Day
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, KS2 Girls' Football/Tennis/French Clubs finish
- Wednesday morning 5<sup>th</sup> July, Move-up Morning 2/2
- Wednesday morning 5<sup>th</sup> July, 9:30-10:30 Visit for new Reception pupils 2/2
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 Induction Day at Chesterton Community College
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July, Sports Day (back-up day tbc)
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July, 9:15 Music Assembly
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July, school closed for staff training
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July, KS2 Boys' Football/KS1 Multi Sports Clubs finish
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2:00 Year 5/6 Production Dress Rehearsal – parents welcome if unable to attend Performance
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July, KS1 Football/KS2 Badminton and Hockey Clubs finish
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, FUNdamentals, Code, Homework, KS2 Kwik Cricket Clubs finish
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 6:30 Year 5/6 Production Performance
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2:45 Gold Book/Class Sharing Assembly (years 1/2) – parents welcome
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July, Reports out to parents
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July, Athletics Club finishes
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, Leavers' Lunch
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 1:45 Leavers' Service at St Luke's Church – parents welcome
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 3:15 term ends
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 3:15 PTA Tea Party

