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*know, love, serve; God, Ourselves & Others*

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**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

### **KSI Change for Life**

A small group of children from year 2 took part in a 'Change for Life' festival at Thurstable School. They took part in activities including parachute games, throwing and catching, obstacle courses and kurling.



### **Red Nose Day**

A huge 'thank you' to all of the families who supported Red Nose Day by 'breaking the rules!' The children looked fantastic- unique hairstyles, bright nail varnish, non-uniform and even some temporary tattoos! All of the voluntary donations help the charity to fill shelves in food banks, fund community-led services and ensure local youth safe-spaces.



### **Local Opportunities for the Children**

Information on [church events](#) and [local clubs and activities which are available to our children](#) are published on the school website. This now includes information on Colchester United's summer program of events.

## Netball

The netball team took part in their first matches this week in a tournament held at Thurstable. They played really well, and as the matches went on, it was clear that their game-play and tactics improved. The children found space, and they did not show any nerves! Thank you to Miss Bailey for training the children.

Well done to Sadie, Jessica, Rosie, Imogen, Harry G, Vinny and Riley.



## Quiz Night

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Quiz night. It was great to see a combination of staff, volunteers, governors, PTFA, ex parents and members of the local community. Much laughter was had by all. Thank you also to Pauline and Steve Wakeling who put together our quiz questions. A total of £410 was raised to be split equally between Cancer Research in memory of Amy Lomer, and School Funds.

We look to put on another similar event in the near future.

Well done to Mrs Lewis and Miss Frost for organising the event.

## Fundraising for books

We would like to extend a huge 'thank you' to Macie L's mum, who has nominated St. Luke's as the school that Potters Resorts will raise money for. They are selling badges for a minimum donation of £5, and all of the money raised will go towards new books for the school library.



## Easter Egg Collection

Further to the success of the Easter Egg Collection over the past 17 years, Reed in Colchester will be running a similar campaign this year alongside Emmaus. They will be working together with our clients to donate Easter Eggs to young people in children's homes, children's groups, and children's charities, supporting children from low-income families in the Colchester area. If you would like to make a contribution, **please bring in any donated eggs by Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.**

## Special Achievement Award

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Special Achievement Award in this week's celebration worship: Colby, Lucas, Scarlett, Dougie, Hudson, George, Jessica C, Olly W, India, Willow, Alice F, Maisie, March, Adam, Rosie S, Lilly C, Skyler and Anthony O.

## School Council

The School Council met this morning and made their decisions about which outdoor furniture paint they will be buying from the money raised a couple of week ago. They considered the pricing, how much you got for your money and delivery charges.



## Reminders & Dates for the Diary

Staff will aim to deal with any **emailed queries** in three working days however if you haven't received a response, please contact [admin@stlukesschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@stlukesschool.co.uk) who will investigate the matter for you.

When reporting your child's absence, you must leave a message on the **absence phone line** (01621 815456 option 2). This is the first line of communication that is checked in the morning and if you email the office, staff will not see this until registers have been processed.

**Second-hand uniform** is available every Tuesday opposite the main reception area between 3pm-3.30pm

If your child is missing any items of clothing, parents are able to check the **lost property box** at the end of the school day via the main office.

## School Dates:

**The new academic year dates and INSET days for 2025/2026 are published on our website.**

<b>EYFS</b> – Reception Conker	<b>KSI</b> – Years 1 & 2 Willow, Hazel and Chestnut	<b>LKS2</b> – Year 3 & 4 Pear, Cherry and Mulberry	<b>UKS2</b> – Years 5 & 6 Cedar and Sahabi
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		Event	Parents Invited / Additional
March	26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 and 2 Great Fire of London Event	Year 1 and 2 parent/carers welcome
	26 <sup>th</sup> March	PTFA Wonderful Women's Gift Shop	
	27 <sup>th</sup> March	PTFA Wonderful Women's Gift Shop	
	28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 and 4 school trip to Abberton	
April	2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Trunk Theatre Company- Great Fire of London (Year 1 and 2)	

	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	LKS2 Easter Service in <b>Church</b> to parents/carers of children in year 3 and 4 only- 2.15pm	Mulberry, Cherry and Pear Class parent/carers
	4 <sup>th</sup> April	Conker Class Assembly	Parent/Carers welcome
	24 <sup>th</sup> April	Sahabi Class Model Write To The Top lesson- 9am	Sahabi Class Parent/Carers welcome
	25 <sup>th</sup> April	Cedar Class Model Write To The Top lesson- 9am	Cedar Class parent/carers welcome
May	1 <sup>st</sup> May	Pear Class Model Write To The Top lesson- 2.15pm	Pear Class parent/carers welcome
May	2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 1 Phonics Screening Parent Meeting- 8.45am in the hall	Year 1 parent/carers
	2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Cherry Class Model Write To The Top lesson- 1.45pm	Cherry Class Parent/Carers welcome
	2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Mulberry Class Model Write To The Top lesson- 2.20pm	Mulberry Class Parent/Carers welcome
	5 <sup>th</sup> May	PTFA Late Riser Boot Sale	All welcome
	8 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Day Activities in school	
	12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Relaxed SATS breakfast 8.15-8.35am	
	23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Class photographs, year 6 photos and whole school photo	
June	6 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day	Parents/carers welcome
	10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 2 re-take Phonics Check	
	10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 and 4 Roman Day (more information to follow)	
	10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Crucial Crew trip 9am- 11am (more information to follow)	
	11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 2 re-take Phonics Check	
	11 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Community Challenge Team Building Day (more information to follow)	
	13 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day	Parent/carers welcome
	21 <sup>st</sup> June	PTFA Summer Fair (more information to follow)	All welcome
	23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 5 Camp Day and overnight Year 6 Camp Day (normal school hours)	
	24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 and 2 Camp Day (normal school hours)	
	25 <sup>th</sup> June	Conker Class Camp Day (normal hours)	
	26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Camp Day (normal school hours) Year 4 Camp Day (Evening pick up)	
	26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Induction Day at Thurstable	
July	1 <sup>st</sup> July	Parents Evening (more information to follow)	Parents/Carers welcome

	2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 1 and 2 visit to Hyde Hall RHS Gardens	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Parents Evening (more information to follow)	Parent/carers welcome
	10 <sup>th</sup> July	Conker Class Pirate Trip to Danbury Country Park (more information to follow)	
	11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production at the Headgate Theatre (more information to follow)	Year 6 Parent/Carers welcome
	17 <sup>th</sup> July	PTFA End of Term Party/Disco (more information to follow)	
Nov	1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	PTFA Fireworks Event (more information to follow)	All welcome
	24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 6 Residential	
Dec	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 1-6 trip to the pantomime (more information to follow)	



**Marvellous Me** is an opportunity for us to share the great work and amazing attitude that the children show daily in school. Access codes can be collected at the school office. Links to download the app on iOS or Android can be found here: <https://marvellousme.com/parents/>

### Learning Characteristics

Taking Risk

Being Inquisitive

Making Links

Co-operation

Resilience

Reflecting

### Christian Values

Thankfulness

Responsibility

Compassion

Faith

Forgiveness

Hope