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know, love, serve; God, Ourselves & Others

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Friday 15th November 2024

Children In Need 2024

A huge 'thank you' to all of the children who supported Children In Need by wearing something yellow, spotty or Pudsey themed and making a voluntary contribution towards the charity. Everyone looked amazing!



Football Tournament

A group of year 5 and 6 children played in a mixed football tournament at Shrub End earlier in the week. They worked well as a team and their confidence increased with every match. They finished on a high with a 1-0 win against Lawford, with Anthony scoring the goal. Well done to all of them!



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.

Reception 2025

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 4 November 2024**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2025**.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

First News

We at St Luke's Church School have enjoyed using First News.

First News is the leading source of news and news-based learning for children. Their print newspaper and app are age-appropriate (aimed at 7 to 14 year olds but accessible for all ages), impartial and helps keep kids reading and developing their critical literacy skills.

If you are looking for educational and fun gifts for your children this holiday season, we would recommend First News.

With First News, kids stay informed on current events in a way they can understand and discover new interests through their huge range of content – available to read, listen and react to in print and via their app.

We subscribe to First News at school and see how it helps to boost students literacy and oracy skills.

Plus, our school will receive £10 commission for every order placed. See First News' offers here, using our unique link: <https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk/christmas?schoolreferral=1A6725E8>



School Council

The School Council met and started to create the star and angel themed decorations for the St. Luke's Christmas Tree Festival in St. Luke's Church.



Congratulations!

A huge well done to Abel, Ned, Charlee and Ben T, who attended their karate club presentation evening last Saturday. Abel and Ben were awarded best attendance for 2024, whilst Ned and Charlee received best trainer of 2024.



Special Achievement Award

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Special Achievement Award in this week's celebration worship: Florence, Bleu, Freddie R, Riddhi, Ava W, Anthony, Xander, Esme, Mary, Amelia D, Harry P, Oscar, Antoni, Felix F, Aiobhe, Eva H, Skye F and Jessica K.

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 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 2024/2025 are published on our website.

EYFS – Reception Conker and Acorn		KSI – Years 1 & 2 Oak, Silver Birch, Sycamore		LKS2 – Year 3 & 4 Plum, Apple, Elder		UKS2 – Years 5 & 6 Acacia and Baobab	
		Event				Parents Invited / Additional	
Nov	18 th Nov	Hilltop Residential Celebration Assembly-9am in the hall				Year 6 parent/carers welcome	
	20 th Nov	Mulberry Class Assembly 2.30pm in the hall				Mulberry Parent/carers welcome	
	21 st Nov	Pear Class Assembly 2.30pm in the hall				Pear Parent/carers welcome	
	22 nd Nov	Cherry Class Assembly 2.30pm in the hall				Cherry parent/carers welcome	
	28 th Nov	PTFA Non-Uniform Day (Cosy Wear)					
	29 th Nov	INSET DAY					
Dec	6 th Dec	PTFA Winter Market 5pm				All welcome	
	12 th Dec	Year 1- 6 Pantomime trip					
	13 th Dec	Whole School Reindeer Run- more information to follow					
	17 th Dec	EYFS and KSI Christmas Play to parents/carers @9.30am				Parent/carers welcome	
	17 th Dec	School Christingle Service					
	18 th Dec	EYFS and KSI Christmas Play to parents/carers @9.30am				Parent/carers welcome	
	19 th Dec	EYFS and KSI Christmas Play to parents/carers @9.30am				Parent/carers welcome	
	19 th Dec	Christmas Dinner					
Jan	6 th Jan	EYFS Reptile Visit (more information to follow)					
	13 th Jan	Bikeability- individual information to follow					
	14 th Jan	Bikeability- individual information to follow					
	15 th Jan	Bikeability- individual information to follow					
March / Feb	13 th Feb	PTFA Disco- more information to follow					
March	5 th March	Great Fire of London Experience (year 1 and 2)					

	10 th March	UKS2 School trip to Barleylands	
	14 th March	INSET DAY	
	21 st March	Red Nose Day (more information to follow)	
	21 st March	PTFA Magician Show after school (more information to follow)	
April	2 nd April	Trunk Theatre Company- Great Fire of London (Year 1 and 2)	
May	23 rd May	Class photographs, year 6 photos and whole school photo	
June	10 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 2 re-take Phonics Check	
	10 th June	Year 3 and 4 Roman Day (more information to follow)	
	11 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 2 re-take Phonics Check	
	26 th June	Year 6 Induction Day at Thurstable	
July	2 nd July	Year 1 and 2 visit to Hyde Hall RHS Gardens	



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

Missing Scooter

A scooter, as pictured below, was left in the school car park area from Thursday 7th November over the weekend. If anyone has seen the scooter in the village, please contact school so we can return it to the owner. Please be vigilant, as the gates are open over the weekend for private lettings.





Health Security Agency

Measles in Essex

Please see the following link for updated information.

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/st-lukes-church-of-england-controlled-primary-school/UploadedDocument/d8f2c291-b917-4a13-9a95-d08f229482a0/measles-letter-for-schools-in-essex-final-approved.pdf>

