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know, love, serve; God, Ourselves & Others

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Friday 13th September 2024

School Council

All of the children in year 1-6 voted for their School Council representatives today in the hall using ballot papers and ballot boxes. The School Council will be meeting every Friday before school, and there are already many exciting projects lined up!

2024/2025 School Council

Sahabi- Harry and Ellie

Cedar- Thomas and Poppy D

Pear- Holly C and Micheal

Cherry- Evan and Molly W

Mulberry- Elliott P and Jasmine

Willow- Spencer-Lily and Hudson

Hazel- Spencer and Aria

Chestnut- David, Luna and Scarlett



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.

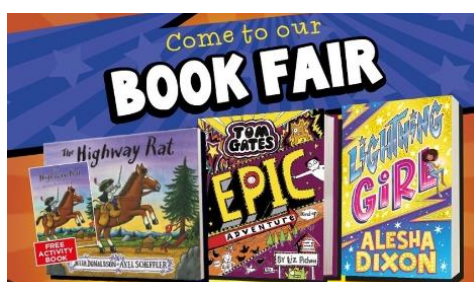
Happy Circus

We would like to say a huge thank you to our amazing PTFA for all of their hard work in taking over the organisation of the circus. They worked tirelessly all day, through the rain, to make the event as special as possible



Book Fair

We are pleased to welcome the travelling 'Book Fair' to St. Luke's. This will be open straight from school until 3.30pm from Monday 23rd September- Thursday 26th September; please enter via the main school office. The book fair will also be open during both parent's evenings in the hall.



Staff Update

We are welcoming Miss Brady to our LSA team on a Thursday and Friday- she will be supporting a little girl in year 2. We have also appointed Miss E. Cotterill to support a little girl in year 4.

If you are wishing to contact Miss Hobbs-Hurrell, her email address is: amee.hobbs-hurrell@stlukesschool.co.uk Please note that all staff will aim to respond to emails within 3 working days.

Congratulations

Ned (yr 4), has had a major golf session with the Essex Union with chopping, putting and 13 holes on the par 3 course at Five Lakes. Ned shot a hole in one making 120 yards with a 6 iron, in front of lots of children and parents- how amazing!



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
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		Event	Parents Invited / Additional
Sep	18 th Sep	Individual School Photos	
	20 th Sep	Read, Write, Inc Parent Meeting- 8.50am in the hall	EYFS, Yr 1 and Yr 2 parents
	24 th Sep	Parent's Evening 5.30pm-8pm (more information to follow)	Parents/carers required
	26 th Sep	Year 3 and 4 Mountfitchet Trip	
	26 th Sep	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm	Parents/carers required
	27 th Sep	School Council's Macmillan Bake Sale- 3.05pm	All welcome
	30 th Sep	Year 6 Residential Meeting 3.30pm	Parents/carers required
Oct	1 st Oct	UKS2 (year 5 and 6) Shang Dynasty Day	
	1 st Oct	Year 2 trip to Hollytrees Museum	
	2 nd Oct	Year 1 trip to Hollytrees Museum	
	7 th Oct	Flu Vaccine Day	
	9 th Oct	Harvest Festival in church- 1.45pm	Year 5 parent/carers only
	24 th Oct	PTFA School Disco- booking via PTFA website (letter to follow)	
Dec	6 th Dec	PTFA Winter Market	All welcome
	12 th Dec	Year 1- 6 Pantomime trip, 10.15am (Approx cost £20.75)	
	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 KS1 Christmas Play to parents/carers @9.30am	Parent/carers welcome
	19 th Dec	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Play to parents/carers @9.30am	Parent/carers welcome
March	5 th March	Great Fire of London Experience (year 1 and 2)	
	10 th March	UKS2 School trip to Barleylands	
April	2 nd April	Trunk Theatre Company- Great Fire of London (Year 1 and 2)	
June	10 th June	Year 3 and 4 Roman Day (more information to follow)	
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
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Christian Values

Thankfulness	Responsibility	Compassion	Faith	Forgiveness	Hope
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BACK TO SCHOOL
Online Safety Tips for Children

Wow, it's September already! The month when autumn officially starts and ... oh yeah, the beginning of a new school year. Every cloud has a silver lining though! Another term means new friends to make, different stuff to learn, fresh online trends to jump on and exciting new games to play on your phone, computer or console. We've compiled a list of our top tips to ensure that - whether you're going online to chat, research things or just have fun - you can do it safely.

- Be cautious with your profile**
Be careful not to give out too much info on your social media or gaming profiles. Details like your full name, address or school's name could all help strangers to actually find you offline. A trusted adult can help you make your profiles private - so only your family and actual friends can contact you.
- Lock your devices**
Taking your phone or tablet to school? Turn password protection on. It keeps your private info safe and stops anyone accessing your device without permission. Passwords should be memorable to you - but difficult for anyone else to guess. Get a trusted adult to write it down in case you forget it!
- Be smart with screen time**
Too much screen time, especially just before bed, can affect your quality of sleep. Losing sleep, or not sleeping well enough, messes with your concentration and energy levels. Try muting notifications so you don't get pinged late at night: you'll feel fresher and more focused the next day.
- Know how to deal with bullies**
Sadly there are people online who enjoy picking on other users. If you ever feel like you're being bullied online - by anyone, not just someone from school - talk to a trusted adult about it. Together, you can discuss possible steps, such as blocking or reporting the person who's targeting you.
- Manage online relationships wisely**
Most people in a relationship chat to their partner online. Just be mindful that once you send a pic or message (even if it's private), you no longer control who else might see it. Messaging someone you've never actually met - and who might not be who they say - is definitely best avoided.
- React well to inappropriate content**
When you're researching something online, there's always a chance of finding content that makes you feel uncomfortable or upset. If this happens, you can report it as inappropriate and (hopefully) get it taken down. Tell a trusted adult what happened: they'll help you decide what to do next.